



# Gaddesby Primary School

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## Gaddesby Gazette

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you at the end of what has once again been an incredibly busy term at Gaddesby Primary School.

The children have had the most wonderful time becoming immersed in their school topics and enjoying the school trips linked to them. We had a visit to the Zoo, a farm park, a synagogue and Bosworth battlefield. In the summer year 3 and 4 will be enjoying a trip on the very first day of term to the Richard III museum.

We have also really enjoyed our sports in school this term. We've had visits from Leicestershire County Cricket Club and Leicester Hockey Club. Moving into next term, we will be welcoming Belvoir Cricket and countryside to deliver cricket sessions as well as Little Springers delivering gymnastics.

FOGs easter event took place on Thursday evening. I'd like to thank FOGs for putting on such a wonderful event that was enjoyed by so many of our children. The craft clubs and Easter hats were fantastic and really made the event. Thank you also to the parents for supporting our FOGs events during this term. They have raised an incredible amount of money that will be spent on those little extra's for our children.

I hope that you all enjoy a restful and enjoyable Easter break and look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 25th April.

Mr Leigh Fox

## Diary Dates

### APRIL

6th—Year 5&6 Leicester Synagogue Trip

8th—Whole School Cricket Day

25th Year 3&4 King Richard III Trip

26th Joe Wilson, Author, Visit

### MAY

16th—Young Voices



Children from years 2,3 and 4 took part in the Thrussington Fun Run. Louis C 10th, Stanley G 16th, Henry R 22nd, Georgina F 27th, Scarlett A 31st and Jake Y 39th.



Paige and Kitty came 1st in the categories at National cheerleading in Sheffield!

Well Done girls.

Year 3/4 power play football tournament in 1st March





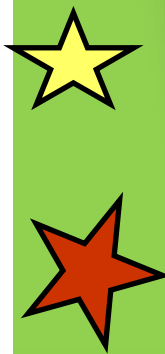
# Year 2

The Terrific Tigers have had an exciting term learning lots about Africa and enjoyed their African music workshop. They have learnt how to prepare food safely and how to stay safe on line. They have really loved working with our sports coach Mr Ruperalia developing their agility and sports skills. In Science they have investigated plants; their parts, functions and needs including a walk around our school grounds to see what is growing now. They spotted lots of changes since our winter walks. They have loved reading their class novel, Anna Hibiscus, based in Africa with the little brothers Double and Trouble. In art they have investigated Van Gogh, producing their own version of one of his pictures. Enjoy a super Easter break and thank you for all your support this term, Mrs Dewick and Mrs Mitchell.



# Year 3

We have been finishing up our learning on War of the Roses this half term by learning about how the houses were united and what the Tudor Rose represents. We learnt about different artists and techniques and used the mosaic technique to create our own Tudor Rose collage. They turned out brilliantly!



Year 3 have loved taking part in Hockey lessons this half term. We have been lucky enough to have a coach in from Leicester Ladies Hockey and she has taught us loads of new skills. It has been great fun!





# Gymnastics



A huge well done to our gymnasts who competed in the county finals this term. Our year 5 and 6 girls managed an amazing 4th place finish. Well done also to the year 1 and 3 teams competing with pupils a year older.



# EYFS

The Busy Bee class have had yet another busy term, that seems to have passed in the blink of an eye. This term our "big, big, big topic" has been Traditional Tales. Each week we have been focusing on a different Traditional Tale and have been using Talk 4 Writing strategies to imitate a story

(learn it) and at times, innovate it too!

We've had lots of fab key focus days over the course of the term, ranging from our innovation day— where we



changed everything linked to the story of Goldilocks and even had a go at innovating porridge (with lots of different ingredients)

— to



STEM focus sci-

ence days — to World Book Day, Comic Relief and Quinn bringing in

his baby chicks to visit us all! So many lovely days and so many memories have been made.

At Forest School this term we have started using tools. Miss Stansfield introduced



bits of broken wood.

to her special tool box, which have a range of tools for us to learn about— ranging from loppers to axes and sheath knives ( we only use these when we're a bit older). We started off learning safety skills linked to loppers and have been practising keeping the Forest School site safe, by cutting down any



Miss Stansfield and Mrs Meredith have been really impressed with the independent learning that has been happening in the classroom this term. The Busy Bees





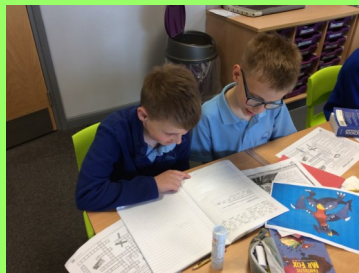


# Year 5

Year 5 have been inspired by the artist Andy Goldsworthy during our recent 'Eco Warriors' topic. We have looked at his land art and sculptures and enjoyed a few sessions at forest school where we created our own. Back in the classroom, we created a double page spread all about the artist and presented pictures of our own work too. The children were amazing, creative and resourceful during these sessions. Forest school is also a wonderful opportunity to practise team work skills, which we were all very successful with. Super effort Year 5!



Year 5's have been writing their own stories with the intended audience of Year 3. Their stories were about the Easter Bunny having a problem. The children tried hard to make their stories engaging for their slightly younger audience. Here we are sharing them.

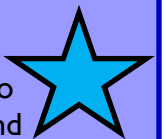


# Year 1



## Art/DT

We have really enjoyed learning how to prepare food safely during some Art and DT lessons with Mrs M this term. We had great fun preparing fruit to make individual fruit kebabs but we think melting chocolate to make rice krispy cakes was the winner! We made sure we washed our hands thoroughly, cleaned all the surfaces with anti-bacterial spray and used the equipment under the supervision of our teacher. Look at the fun we have had...

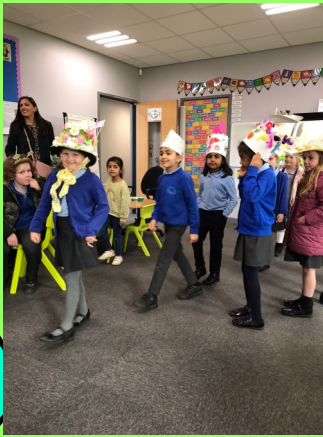






# FOGS

A huge thank you to the Friends of Gaddesby School who have put on some wonderful events for our children this term including movie night, Easter hat making and the Easter event this week. They have worked incredibly hard and their events have all been incredibly well supported by pupils and parents so, thank you.



## Year 1



In year 1 and 2 we have been exploring artists work. Here is Jade's (year 1) recreation of 'sunflowers' by Vincent Van Gogh.



The year 1 girls came first overall in their gymnastics competition and qualified for the county final. They came 6<sup>th</sup> overall in the county final.

Charlotte (year 1) was also awarded a bronze medal for scoring 3<sup>rd</sup> best gymnast overall in her category. Well done girls!



## EYFS/Year 6

### World Book Day Celebrations

We had great fun dressing up as our favourite book characters or wearing our party clothes to celebrate 25 years of World Book Day this half term. We loved acting out stories in PE, making our own book marks and sharing our favourite stories with Year 6.

Here we are in action...



### Year 1 & 2 PE

Look at Year 1 & 2 developing balance, agility and co-ordination during gymnastics this term!



Year 5 and 6 have been inspired by the artist Andy Goldsworthy to create land-art as part of our Eco Warriors topic.





# Year 4

Year 4's highlight this half-term was definitely the residential to Caythorpe Hall. We had great fun canoeing, pushing ourselves out of our comfort zones on activities like high ropes, moved quickly up climbing walls and achieved great heights, we worked as a team building buggies and robots. We all enjoyed ourselves and had lots of fun.



## CONGRATULATIONS

A huge congratulations to Miss Simms who is getting married over the Easter break and will return to school as Mrs Clark. We would like to wish Miss Simms and her husband to be all the very best for their day and wish them a happy life together. The boys and girls enjoyed joining in the celebrations on Thursday morning as you can see below.

