



Dale Hall Diaries

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A message from the Headteacher

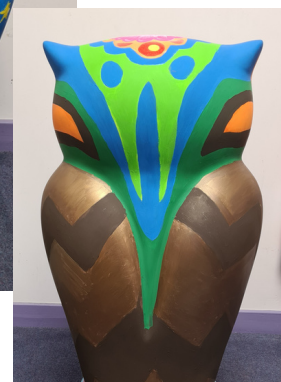
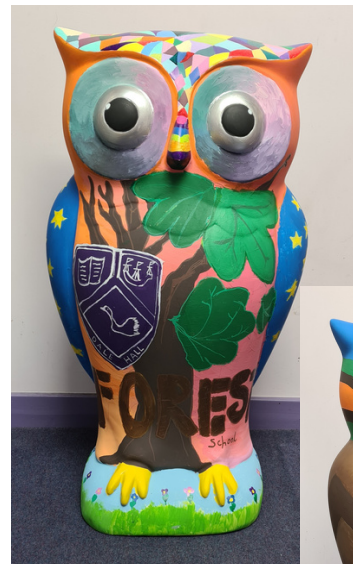
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Dear Parents and Carers,
As we come to the end of another half term I am delighted to share the children's learning and accomplishments over the last 6 weeks.

It seems to have been the term for school visits which has been so lovely to see (and hear all about). EYFS visited Hollow Trees Farm, Year 4 visited Ipswich museum and we have been visited by Hope not hate, the author Lisa Thompson and the Elena Baltacha academy as well as NUMEROUS sporting events. So many that we will be creating a sports newsletter for after half term. This will include the children's write ups of the events.

Next term is really busy with Parent evenings, sports day, fun run (details to follow), Year six production and residential and our new reception children will be coming for their taster days.

So please have a sun filled and happy half term and we will all look forward to seeing you after the holiday.
Best wishes,
Mrs J Dediccoat



Owlbert has now been finished and is ready for the Suffolk show next week. Well done and a massive thank you to everyone that has helped. You have been so patient and kind during the whole process, it hasn't always been easy. The children painted and designed this themselves, which makes it even more special.

Thank you to all my Dash walkers and visitors this half term. Dash is looking forward to a well earned rest and a snooze in the sun.



LAST PLEA for lost property...

Please can you check over half term that your child's clothing is named. We have had an enormous amount of unclaimed uniform and it seems like such a waste to just dispose of this in the clothing bank.

Many thanks.



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"Learning together to challenge and achieve"

Reception



This Month's Highlights

EYFS have been very busy starting to grow things in our outside area and finding out about worms by reading our book "Yucky Worms." We found out lots of interesting facts about worms and studied them close up by setting up wormeries in our classrooms. After all our research we all agreed that they weren't so yucky after all.

In maths we have been exploring shapes and their different properties. The children really enjoyed making shape pictures



Year One



Year 1 have had a very busy start to the Summer term. We have enjoyed following the adventures of 'The Lonely Beast' and have written our own versions of the story. In History we have been finding out about the lives of famous explorers such as Charles Darwin and David Attenborough and have enjoyed being explorers ourselves. The children have been very inspired to search for natural and living things in and around our outdoor area and have been using their observation skills to identify what they have found.



Year Two

In year 2 we have been enjoying our new story Look Up which tells the story of a young girl with an interesting hobby.

This new book has enabled us to venture out of this world and explore space and the planets around us.

In history we have begun to research time lines of how space has been explored particularly from inspirational women who took first ventured into the cosmos.

We have also begun to explore what humans need to keep healthy by designing meals for astronauts to help them on their adventures.



Year Three

We have completed our own Roman army afternoon in which we learnt how to March and shoot a bow and arrow (we weren't very accurate).



This half term we have been looking at the Roman Empire and how they were so powerful.

We've written non-chronological reports about their weapons and even delivered a speech to encourage people to join the Roman Empire.

In Maths we have been tackling fractions and sorting Alien moon dust into equal pairs. The idea of pizza being cut into equal parts keeps making us feel hungry though!

For the glory of Rome!

We looked at Roman tactics and practised their most well known formation, the Testudo/Tortoise. It was very difficult to stay so close to each other and protect ourselves from the Iceni tribes.

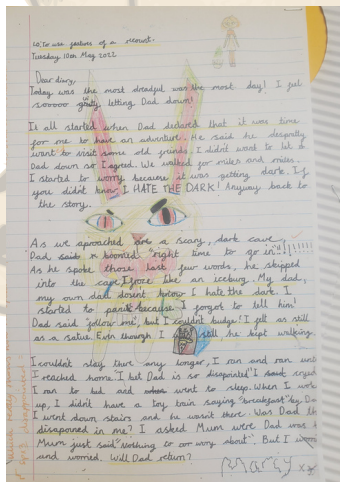


Year Four

In Year 4 we have been writing a diary entry from a character's point of view. We have concentrated on the structure of the diary including time conjunctions, fronted adverbials and using a wide range of punctuation. Marcy, a young girl feels as though she has let her father down and recounts on the day she's faced.

In Art we have created our own Egyptian head dresses. The children did a lot of research focusing on the patterns and colours and then designed their own on top of a picture of their face. We have also looked at how powerful silhouettes can be on a background, creating magnificent art work!

We are also went on our trip to Ipswich Museum!



Year Five



Hello from year 5!

This month we have been doing lots of practical, hand-on learning. Last week Tigers made some delicious rock cakes as part of our space topic.

This was a fantastic opportunity to use our knowledge of weights and measurements, as well as a chance to get our hands dirty!

Now the weather is (finally) much nicer, we have been spending more time outside. We are using the opportunity to get sport's day ready - We have been practicing athletics and designing obstacle courses to challenge our running, jumping, catching and throwing skills.

In DT we have been looking at space travel and designed our own Mars Rover vehicles. Both classes had to think about the features they needed, like solar panels and onboard computers, before using junk modelling to create their prototypes



Year Six

Wow, what a month we have had! After working at an incredible pace and exceptionally hard, Year 6 took their SATs tests in the middle of May. We couldn't be more proud of the way they approached them: positivity, resilience and determination. They were just fantastic. We were able to relax in the afternoons though and enjoy some baking, sport and Forest Schools! Breakfasts were fabulous too as we all joined together for toast and muffins!

Not only have they had tests to do though, they have also just auditioned for this year's Production and totally blown us away with the standard that they reached. It was incredibly difficult to cast the roles but rehearsals are now underway! We are looking forward to putting on an amazing show at the beginning of July.



A message from the Acting Deputy Head

I can't believe we are at the end of Summer 1 already. There has been so much to celebrate this half term and I would like to share with you a visit I recently had from an Assistant Headteacher from a school in Sudbury. During the visit, we spent most of the morning walking around the school and dropping into classes. Mr Gilbert was amazed by the learning behaviours that he saw and was very impressed by the quality of the children's work-especially the handwriting! Mr Gilbert said to me "this is the type of school that you must be so proud to show parents and visitors around" and it really is. I hope you have a wonderful half term and enjoy the extended Bank Holiday. I look forward to seeing you all soon for what I am sure will be a great end to the school year.

Mrs Morris

Some Jubilee photos..

