



The Hayfield Herald



We have been really impressed this week with the amazing homework that has been done by some of the children in Year3 as part of their 'Stones and Bones' study of Stone Age to Iron Age life. As part of our Learning Experience information that is sent out at the start of the seasonal topic we include ideas for extending and enriching at home. One of their challenges this time was to create a mini model of a Neolithic site and the results have been amazing. They are on display in the Year 3 corridor and there are pictures on our school blog. <http://hayfieldcross.org.uk/index.php/blog>

There is an incredible model of Stonehenge, two different models of round houses, a stone hammer, pictures, collages, research and more. Miss Priestley and Mrs Newcombe are just finalising the arrangements for a trip to Flag Fen which is a Neolithic site and learning centre where they will get to see and experience what life was like in the Stone Age first hand. It is fantastic to see the children enthused about their learning and taking it further and we are really looking forward to seeing what other brilliant homework projects will come into school from all the classes!

On Thursday we had a visit from Margaret Lawson our Police Community Support Officer in assembly. She came to talk to the children about being safe and in particular about Halloween and fireworks as those days will soon be upon us.

We had a successful first governors meeting of the year this week and I am pleased to share that Mrs Helen Cracknell has been re-elected as our Chair of Governors with Rev Eleanor Jeans taking on the role as vice-chair. Our two Parent Governors Leanne Weatherley and Suzanne Daly continue in their roles where they have done an excellent job. You will see our Governors around school at different events and if you would like to see who they are they are on our website with information and pictures at: <http://hayfieldcross.org.uk/index.php/information/governors>

Craig Charteris Head Teacher

Notices

School Office Opening Times: The school office is open from 8:30am. Please do not come in before this (unless it's an emergency) even if you see Mrs Fraser or Mrs Burt in there as they are getting set up for the day. Thank you.

Parents Evening – A date letter will be coming out soon with all the key dates this year. A date to put in your diary now is Parents Evening which will be on **Wednesday 19th October (3:30-5:30pm)** and **Thursday 20th October (5-7pm)**. If you do have any worries or concerns please speak to your class teacher. If it's a quick word they are around before and after school, if it's something longer please arrange a meeting with them and I am always on the playground to talk to. We are proud of our open door ethos so please remember if you don't tell us something we won't know and can't do anything about it!

Bike Sheds – Please can you ensure that children do not climb or play on the bike racks or run behind them. They are not designed to climb on and as they are not fully installed yet children running behind and leaning on the Perspex will break it.

PARKING

As you all know the parking area is heavily congested and will be even more so next week as all the Reception children will then be in at the same time. Please can we ask that everyone drives slowly and parks considerably to keep the children safe. You may also need to give yourself a little extra time to park and walk down so that you are on time. We are looking at ideas to improve this to ensure the children have a safe way into school. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

