



The Hayfield Herald

We will Rock You



Beacons have wowed us with their class assembly on their Stones and Bones learning experience. They started with lots of information about the change from the Stone Age to the Iron Age, including a Stone Age version of We Will Rock You! After they told us about Mary Anning, a palaeontologist who in 1823 was the first to discover a complete plesiosaurus skeleton. Sadly, at the time as a woman she was not given credit for her discoveries and only received recognition many years after her death. Beacons were absolutely amazing and did a fantastic job.

Key Stage 1 have been enjoying some great experiences lately visiting our two Churches. Year 1 walked to St Botolph's Church in Barton Seagrave and had a wonderful morning exploring the old church. They identified many features of the church from their learning in school and were very respectful of being in a place of worship. Helen, who regularly visits our school for Worship Wednesday, spoke to the children about the church and also about how and why Christians celebrate Christmas.

Today, it was the turn of Year 2 as they walked to our other church Christ the King on Deeble Road. They were able to see the features of a more modern church building and also get to see the space where they will be performing their Carol Concert in a couple of weeks' time which we are really looking forward to.

Last week the older children took part in the next level of Bikeability. This meant that they learned some more advanced riding skills and how to be safe on the roads. The next day they took their bikes out on the road and learned how to apply their knowledge and skills in the real world. It was great to see the children taking part in this and hope that they have learned some skills that will stay with them for life.

Year 4 have been really interested in their learning about the Muslim faith this term. It is really important that children learn about others so that they grow up without prejudice and have an understanding and interest in the lives of others. Recently, they have been exploring the Islamic festivals of Ramadan and Eid-Up-Fitr and reflected on the determination and strength they show by fasting to worship.

Online Safety is more important now than ever before as children are growing up in a digital age. We are constantly updating our training and information to keep up to date with this and on the notices again today there will be some more information we will share. With any safeguarding concern, including online safety (at home or school) you should report this to our Designated Safeguarding Leaders who can support, advise and also contact other services if needed to help. We have many DSLs and are Mr Charteris, Mrs Plesca, Miss Priestley, Miss Farquhar, Mrs Jones (Family Support Worker), Mrs Newcombe and Mrs Stolz so there will always be someone who can help. Please take a moment to have a look at our safeguarding page and familiarise yourself with the help we can offer (there is also a separate online safety page too).

<https://hayfieldcross.org.uk/index.php/safeguarding/safeguarding-at-hayfield-cross>

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*Remember that I commanded you to be strong and brave. So don't be afraid.
The Lord your God will be with you everywhere you go³ (Joshua 1:9)*

Joy - Integrity - Fellowship