



The Hayfield Herald



YOUNG VOICES

Joy - Integrity - Fellowship

Happy New Year everyone, from all of us at Hayfield Cross Church of England School we wish you all a wonderful 2023 full of joy and fellowship. We have had a super busy start back at Hayfield Cross as the children have all started their new Learning Experiences (these are now on the class pages of the website along with the Knowledge Organisers if you want to find out more about what they are learning this term).

This week we had an amazing event as the School Choir went off to the NEC in Birmingham to take part in the Young Voices 2023 concert along with 6000 other children from schools across the country. Staff and parents who were there have said what an awesome experience it was and something the children will never forget. There were many highlights from the practice and the evening concert including performing as backing singers for Heather Small (famous as being the lead singer of M-People). They learned how to beatbox and then perform together as a giant beatbox machine. Hearing them singing 'Sing from your heart' that was breath taking in the huge arena. We were very proud to hear that the fantastic behaviour of our children, which was impeccable, and stood out from all the other groups there. What an amazing experience and all made possible by Mrs Hindwood who formed the choir and has been working with them to prepare for this event – thank you! Also thanks to all our staff who supported the trip, our office team for their brilliant organisation and to all the parents who went to the NEC to share in the performance.

Year 3 have had an exciting start to their term. Last week they started their learning experience looking at local industry and change by investigating a range of shoes, boots and footwear. On Tuesday, they went to the Northampton shoe Museum and Art Gallery to bring their learning to life. The museum was really interesting with shoes from Northampton's past as a major centre for the national shoe industry. They had many other shoes from past and present and even a whole section dedicated to trainers. The children enjoyed the art gallery and finding out how Northamptonshire has changed over time from the Stone Age (which they studied last term) all the way up to the modern day. Big thanks to the Year 3 teachers for organising and all the staff who supported.

Last term KS2 had a visit from Witherley Services about road safety and the work they do. They had a competition to design artwork for one of their Lorries. We are very pleased to announce that Isabelle in Y5 won the competition and her design has been put on to an actual Witherley lorry – how cool is that! Congratulations Isabelle.



This week our new KS2 football team went to their first tournament (which happen weekly). They had a brilliant first outing drawing one game and winning the other 6-0. This puts them third in the league, good job Team Orange!

Another great sporting achievement that has just been announced is Bonnie in Y6 being awarded the Hotshots Player of the Term. Well done Bonnie!

Craig Charteris Head Teacher

*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)*