



The Hayfield Herald



Cricket Stars

Forget the Euros, the real sporting action this week was on the cricket field as teams from Upper Key Stage 2 went to play against other schools. The boys team were up first and they had a fantastic time at the tournament. They played and conducted themselves brilliantly and came third overall. The girls team hadn't even played a cricket match before and they excelled coming second overall. All of the children showed excellent teamwork and skill and worked hard together to succeed. Well done children and huge thanks to Mrs Bellamy for organising and supporting the tournament.

We had our annual visit from the Life Education Bus this week but because of the restrictions we weren't able to have the actual 'bus' (which is actually a trailer?) so we hosted it in the hall instead. All of the children took part and enjoyed their sessions learning about being healthy and healthy lifestyles. It is a brilliant resource and we are pleased to be able to have it again. Huge thanks to TOPS for funding this and for Miss Rose for organising and coordinating it for the whole school.

As we have moved sports day to September we didn't want Year 6 to miss out so they had their own mini Olympic intra-house competition. Each house competed in the javelin, discus and relays as well as long jump, triple jump, hurdles and shot put. Great fun was had by all and they were all superstars!

The week before half term we had our theme week based around learning about charities but had to change it slightly again this year. In the past this has been focused on Christian Aid week but as part of our Be Brave curriculum we had planned to change this last year (but didn't get to do it because of the first lockdown). For Charity Awareness Week the children learned about different charities. Lower school looking at a local charity, LKS2 a national charity and the older children in Y5/6 an international one. UKS2 studied the work of Oxfam; LKS2 Guide Dogs for the Blind – including a visit (outside!) by members and dogs from the GDA; and Reception/KS1 learning about the Kettering foodbank. The children found out about these organisations and the impact their work has on both people and the world around us. Because of the financial impact Covid has had on any families we made the decision that we would not have collections of money this year which we would normally do. Hopefully this will still inspire the children in the future to actively support charities and help others.

The new Pavilion is now complete with path and has been used all week by the children. It is an excellent shaded space outside and is being used at break, lunch times and during lesson and is an excellent addition to our outside space. We have also been rearranging the Key Stage 2 breakout area to make it a better space to use and will be finishing this over the summer holidays as we (hopefully) put back together all our lovely learning spaces in the Hub and Rabbit Hole etc.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Walk to School Week a while ago. We recorded a total of 874 changed journeys which is fantastic!

Although there are no statutory tests this year our Year 6 are still having the experience of doing their tests. They are having a full 'SATs Week' including a breakfast club and doing the tests as they would in a normal year. Although the children are nervous we know they will all be brilliant and it's important they still have the experience of doing the tests properly before they all head off to secondary school in September. Good luck Year 6 – You got this!!

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)*

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