

MICKLEOVER TIMES

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World Cup Cricket

On Friday 7th July, 5K were invited to the launch of the Women's World Cup Cricket in Derby Market Place. There were some activities to participate in and we were interviewed on Radio Derby! We even met the former captain of the women's England cricket team, Charlotte Edwards. I was looking forward to going and playing some cricket activities; there was one where you had to bowl accurately, batting the ball to the targets and lots of bouncing and catching activities. There was also face painting and smoothie making. 2 cricketers were on stilts and they had giant bats and a large bouncy ball. When the morning ended, we each got given a cricket set as a memento. It was great fun!

By Nabiha Akbar 5K



Y6 Leavers' Gift

For the past two years, each leaver has contributed to a group painting project on the container, outside the Bison Block. This year, our Year 6 Legacy Gift to Mickleover Primary can be found in our Memorial Garden by the pond. Each child has painted a 'pebble bug' to brighten up our garden. The children have done a great job! Look out for them next time you are in school.
Mrs Harrison



Meet the Author Event

On Thursday 15th June, children from Y5: Rubina, Natalie, Elias, Ben, Millie and Alfie went to the 'Meet an author' (Marcia Williams) event. It was at Derby Theatre. She spoke about how she hated reading as a child; now it is her job and favourite thing to do. She hated reading because there were no suitable books for children and her mother always gave her a list of books to read and questions to answer to prove she had read them. If anything was spelt wrong, she had to write the word out ten times correctly. Her teacher got her into books by reading to her.



In Archie's War, (the book she spoke about) a boy named Archie Albright made a scrap book about his experience in World War I. He didn't want anyone to read it otherwise he would set his dog, old Georgie on them (he had sharp teeth)! For inspiration she collected lots of things from World War I, including a set of cat's teeth! By Natalie Green, Elias Norman & Rubina Stanworth 5G

Sports Day



I loved the obstacle race because I loved running and jumping over hoops and racing the egg and spoon. I like the running race because I was fast. I nearly got the first card, but I didn't get it. Instead I got 2nd place, but I wasn't sad, I was just having fun.

By Molly McMillan Ladybirds' Class

I liked watching the dads' egg and spoon race because one daddy dropped the egg and it was funny! I liked the children's races and the one where you had to start in a bin bag, then you went through a hoola hoop. At the end we did the egg and spoon race. I won two tickets.

By Grace Kent. Ladybirds' Class

Goodbye to Mr Kinton

I am sure you will join with all the staff and children to wish Mr Kinton a fond farewell as he prepares to take early retirement at the end of term. He has taught at Mickleover since 1996 (21 years!) and will particularly be remembered for bringing PGL trips into the Y5 curriculum - a memorable trip that all the children have the chance to experience during their time at MPS. We wish him well and hope he remembers to visit now and again!





Creswell Craggs

On 11th July, Y3 went on a school trip to Creswell Craggs. We did the polo challenge on the way there and Ethan G's mum won! When we got there we had a lot of fun; at first we were archaeologists. We dug some things up and sorted them. Then we went to the animal safari. When we got there, we watched a film clip, then looked around the safari and at some animal bones. By Tilly Beacon & Aemaan Anjum 3F



On 11th July, Y3 went to Creswell Craggs. When we got there we met three ladies. They split us into three tribes: reindeers, wolves and mammoths. We had 3 activities to do. We had a deadly explore around the caves, one cave was called the Robin Hood Cave. By Olivia Coleman and Leo Neethling 3F

Maths Challenge Victory!

On Monday 10th July, four Y6 pupils went to John Port for a maths competition. For the first time in our school's history, we won! We each got a certificate and a trophy for our trophy cabinet. By Pranav Ragmanu, Ellis



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Tennis Tournament

On 21st June, four Y5/6 children (Kieran Edworthy, Xander Rankin, Claudia Bedford and Ella Murphy) went to a tennis competition at Derby Tennis Centre. In the first round, we played four schools and only lost one match. That got us through to the quarter finals, which we won. We also managed to win the semi-final which meant that we were through to the final. Unfortunately we had to play against the school we had lost to earlier in the afternoon, so we didn't manage to win, but came 2nd. It was a great experience and we enjoyed ourselves. By Claudia Bedford 5G & Ella Murphy 6MH



A letter From Eyam

Dear Mum and Dad,

Things are great here up in Eyam: the only problem is there are only 3 shops so it's hard to buy stuff - back in Mickleover there are over 30. I've been to the Riley Graves where Mrs Hancock buried 6 of her children and her husband, who had all died of the plague. I found the Boundary Stone really interesting because there's lots of fun stories about it. At my school in Mickleover there are over 400 students out of a population of 18,000 people that live there. Meanwhile in Eyam, there are 83 students in the school, out of the 1,000 people that live there. I miss you so much and wish you were both here.

Love from Libby Myerscough 6H

Code Club

Over the last 5 weeks some of the children in Year 4 have been attending a Code Club with Andy Moxon and Mrs Halliday. At the Code Club the children have learnt to program Scratch and create games and animations. Andy also brought his remote control car which he programmed using a BBC micro bit - the children all had a go at driving it around an obstacle course. In the last week, Andy brought in his drone - also made from a BBC micro bit. The Code Club ended with each child receiving a goody bag. A big 'thank you' to Andy who volunteered to come and run the club at Mickleover Primary. If you like to code using Scratch you can try joining a local club - many libraries within Derby City host coding clubs including Derby City Central Library. There are Scratch projects that you can try on the Code club website www.codeclub.org.uk We are hoping to secure another volunteer for this September so that we can continue coding!



And Finally.....

I can hardly believe it's got round to this time of year again when we say farewell to all our Year 6. We wish you lots of luck as you move on to all your different secondary schools and we look forward to hearing wonderful things about you in the future!

I would also like to extend my thanks to all our governors, many of whom are parents, for their time they put into this role and the support they give the school. Thank you also to all the staff who have, as usual, worked tirelessly throughout the year to ensure that MPS is a happy and safe place for your children to learn.

And finally, a big 'thank you' to all parents; we have appreciated your support this year, whether it's through coming into school in some capacity, or even by just reading with your child and encouraging them to develop a love of learning. Have a lovely holiday and we look forward to seeing you again on **Thursday 7th September.**

