# MICKLEOVER TIMES October 2017

**Brownlee Foundation Triathlon** On Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> of September Mrs Branch took 30 children to Woodlands Secondary school. We took part in a

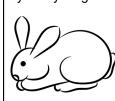
Secondary school. We took part in a triathlon event. We had to do swimming, cycling and running. When we had finished we met Alistair Brownlee. We all received a goody bag with a medal and a free T-shirt that was signed by Alistair. There were roughly 40 other schools taking part, but it wasn't a race; it was just so we could all have a go. After the swimming we went straight to the cycling (even though we



were dripping wet!) We had to cycle 800m and then run 300m. The bus we travelled on was AMAZING too! It had: a foot rest, a table, arm rests on seats that could recline - and thankfully, there was a toilet. The whole afternoon was an amazing experience. THANK YOU SO MUCH MRS BRANCH!

By Jessica Liney, Bethany McNeil & Charlotte Plimmer 6H

When the rabbits came to visit! On Friday Miss Burgess brought some rabbits. The rabbits couldn't walk but they could hop. They didn't make any noise. The rabbits ate carrots. The rabbits felt soft. By Harry Lingard. Dolphins



On Friday everyone saw rabbits. Everyone saw two rabbits on the carpet. We learnt about animals. The rabbits felt fluffy. By Dylan Sohal. Dolphins

#### Rocks

In 3RF we are learning about rocks in topic. We are seeing if rocks are permeable or impermeable.



Permeable means that water soaks into the rocks. Impermeable means that water slides off the rock. We got to feel the rocks and how heavy they are. There were 6 different stations to go to. The different types of rock were chalk, limestone, coal, marble, sandstone and slate. Everyone enjoyed the activity and found it interesting.

By Beaba Dalby and Lottie Tuxford 3RF

## Swimming

On the first swimming lesson, it was fun because we got put into groups. The groups were called Bronze, Silver and Gold. Bronze is for beginners, Silver is if you go to swimming lessons and Gold is if you go to swimming lessons and you're really good! We go on a Thursday at Lonsdale Pool.

By Alfie Wild-Smith & Muhib Mumtaz 4H



### Black Dog

One cold night, a black dog came to visit the Hope family. The first one was Mr Hope, he gasped when he looked out of the window. Next Mrs Hope woke up. She was very scared when she saw it. Adeline Hope woke up and she was very scared too but Small wasn't scared.. The black dog was ginormous. It sniffed her and followed Small into the woods. She ran as quickly as she could. Soon she was at home. She hid the black dog in the cat's basket. Everyone jumped up in one go and said, 'You haven't been munched.' Morris said, 'You haven't been eaten!' Small lifted the basket and there was the black dog. The black dog sat next to the family.

By Lucy Uff. Cats' Class



Don't forget that Friday 20th October is an inset day



# **Cross-Country Championships**

This year we have taken part in the cross-country championships at Moorways. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 raced against other schools from Derby. Everyone tried their very best and we even managed to get some pupils in the top 10 and even top 5! Everybody really enjoyed it and had a fabulous time. This Wednesday we are running in the relay race which is only one lap instead of two. Year 5/6 have to run about 2km and Year 3/4 have to run about 1km. By Thomas Gibson-Mott & Louis Floch 6MH

## Mary Seacole

Mary was born in 1805 in Jamaica. Mary helped her mum to look after the injured people. She went to the war office but they did not let her in so she paid for herself to go to Crimea. She helped the injured soldiers and went on the battle field. By Henry Slater. Owls' Class





#### Harvest Donations

A big 'Thank You' for all your kind harvest donations - as usual we were inundated with gifts to pass on to the elderly residents in the local area.

Thank you cards have already started to come into school.

#### Gardening

We are very grateful for all the hard work put in by Mrs Wilkinson over the past year in maintaining our memorial garden next to the pond. Unfortunately she is no longer able to

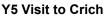
continue and we are looking for new volunteers! If you could spare half an hour/an hour once a week to do a bit of weeding, please come and see Mrs Whittingham.





### **Creative Technology Workshop**

This is an opportunity for children aged 8+ to get involved in a creative technology workshop, including programming software to draw machines and robots, create games and animations and learn about LEDs and electronics, plus much, much more. The workshop will take place on Sat 28th Oct, 2-5pm at Mickleover Library, costing £22.50 per child. There will be lots of practical activities and participants are invited to bring along their own laptop to install free programming software to take home! Booking is essential which you can do through Eventbrite or at any Derby library. Happy programming!



## On Tuesday 10th October, Y5 went on a trip to Crich Tramway Museum. When we got there we were split into 3 groups. There were 3 activities; the first activity was spy school! At spy school we had to make a code breaker then use it to crack a code. We also learnt about famous spies during World War II.

Next we learnt a song about Sergeant Major. We also learnt how to dance the 'Lindy Hop' which was great fun

After lunch we used an old penny to go on a tram ride and used another one to pay for sweets.

By Radost Bashalova & Jacob Hardy 5HG



# Invitation to Lunch

Parents are invited to lunch with their child on the following dates; a letter, with the menu choice will be coming out nearer the time. We hope you'll be able to join us.

16th Nov Ladvbirds 23rd Nov Bees 28th Nov 3C 9th Jan 3RF 18th Jan 4F 25th Jan 6H 1st Feb 6MH

8th Feb Dolphins 8th March 5G 15th March 5HG 22nd March 4H 19th April Owls Tigers 26th April 3rd May Cats

