

# MICKLEOVER TIMES

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## Team Captain Elections

Due to COVID-19, all year groups have to keep to their bubbles when we're in school. Usually in Year 5, all candidates would write a short speech to present in a special school assembly. However, because lockdown started, we didn't have the opportunity to do this in the summer term.

All candidates had to create a 'campaign' video and upload it onto the junior home page of the learning platform. All KS2 classes then watched each video; the videos were separated into candidates for the 4 houses: Ashbourne, Bakewell, Buxton and Castleton. Each pupil then voted for the candidate that they wanted to be their house team captain.

As there were so many candidates, and the speeches were so good, the Y6 teachers decided that there should be a vice-captain as well as the team captain this year:



Ethan (Captain) & Poppy (Vice-captain)



Archie (Captain) & Hollie (Vice-captain)



Jack (Captain) & Maryam (Vice-captain)



William (Captain) & Matilda (Vice-captain)

By Poppy 6MH

## Learning About Teeth in Year 4



In science we are learning about teeth and we have done an egg experiment to find out more. We had four liquids, (orange juice, coke, milk and water). We poured them all into a cup and put a boiled egg in each liquid. After that, we left them in the cupboard for a week, then we took them out to see which one had changed the most. It looked like the egg in the orange juice had changed the most. Before taking them out of the liquid, we had to predict which one we thought would change the most. Lots of people chose coke, but it was the orange juice. This experiment was a lot of fun to do and showed how much orange juice can damage your teeth, even though people think orange juice is healthy.

By Molly 4M

**Don't forget that Monday 2nd November is an inset day. The children come back to school on Tuesday 3rd November.**

### Our New Classrooms

We love our new building.....

Holly: I like our new classroom that the builders made for us.

Nelly: I like our new tables and chairs.

Oscar: I like my new drawer to keep my work in.

Filip: I like the sinks and the toilets because they smell so fresh.

Margot: I like playing in the role play area.

By Dolphins



In the new classroom, all the seats are in long rows (to keep us safe) and there is a fancy, fabulous whiteboard at the front of the room. Everyone is settling in very well and we're all enjoying being with our new teachers – Mrs Hilton and Mrs Wright.

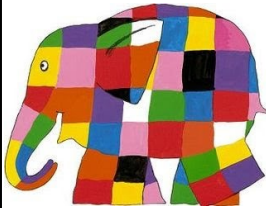
We are learning about World War II but really everyone in Year 5 is looking forward to the trip to PGL. It sounds sooo exciting!

By Darcie and Evie 5HW

### Elmer

Cats Class have been reading and writing about Elmer the Elephant.

One sunny day there was a patchwork elephant called Elmer. Elmer went through the jungle. Elmer covered himself in berry juice. Elmer went back through the jungle. Elmer shouted 'Boo.' The elephants all decorated themselves.



By Olivia in Cats

One sunny day there was a patchwork elephant called Elmer. Elmer said 'Boo' to the other animals. Elmer found some berry juice in the jungle. He went out of the jungle. Elmer said 'Boo' again.

By Abdullah in Cats

### Year 2 Home Learning

This term, the Year Two bubble went into a mini lockdown for two weeks. Both Mrs Sharpe and Mr Welsh are so incredibly proud of the children and how hard they worked at home. Check out what they have been up to...

I am in Owls class and have had to learn at home for 7 days with 3 more to go. I



have really enjoyed my maths work and have played some of the games over again as they were so fun. In English, I have been writing about defeating the fire giant and I even made one out of junk! Then we baked some frost giants with my little brother. Miss Chee has video called me twice already, and I read her a funny story. We showed each other our toy animals chatting about the continents, which was a lot of fun! I have missed my friends and teachers but it has still been really fun and I enjoy working hard at home to show my family what I can do, now I am a year 2 knight! I am looking forward to being back at school because I love it!



By Elsa in Owls

I have enjoyed staying at home and doing my work. I like doing my maths work. I am missing school. I miss seeing my teacher and my friends. I'm looking forward to going back to school and seeing them all again.

By Phoebe in Tigers

### Bike Helmets

It's lovely to see so many of the children riding to school on their bikes and scooters. If your child is coming on their bike, please make sure they wear a helmet to keep them safe if they fall off.





### It's All Greek To Me!

In Year 6 we have been very busy with our Greek pots. We have made the base with papier mache and we got to choose the shape we would make from a range of balloons. Before we started, we got to design what we would paint on our pots. No-one has finished yet, but we are sure that they will look great. First we did a newspaper layer and now we are doing a white layer; then we will start our handles. I am really excited to finish our creations!

By Lottie & Will 6G



### Ringing the Changes!

We have been learning to play the hand bells in music. First we got to learn about what a hand bell was. There were 8 different colours with 8 different notes. We learnt how to play a couple of different songs too. We practised the songs as one big group, also known as an ensemble. Next we split up into three different groups and learnt three different songs; Frere Jacques, Row, Row, Row your boat and Bells in the Steeple. Then we chose a song to perform.

By Sophie 4F



First we learnt how to play the hand bells and how to read and use proper music notes. We also started to play songs and learnt to play in an ensemble (a group). We then split up into three groups and chose a song to play; then we practised. Next, each group performed the song they had chosen. On Friday we performed in assembly for our 'bubble'.

By Chinmayi & Harrison 4F

### Dates for your Diary

Fri 23rd Oct	Break up for half term	Mon 19th April	Return to school
Mon 2nd Nov	<b>Inset day</b> (children not in school)	May	Y2 SATS
Tues 3rd Nov	Return to school	Mon 10th May	Y6 SATs week
Thurs 5th Nov	5H swimming starts	Mon 10th May	Y5 PGL
Fri 13th Nov	Children in Need	Fri 28th May	Break up for half term
Mon 16th Nov	Anti-bullying week	Mon 7th June	Return to school
Mon 16th Nov	Y2 phonics check (postponed from June)	Mon 7th June	Y1 phonics check
Wed 2nd Dec	Y5 WWII theme day in school	Mon 7th June	Y4 times-tables check (3 week window)
Thurs 10th Dec	Christmas dinner	Mon 21st June	Assessment fortnight (Y1, Y3, Y4, Y5)
Fri 11th Dec	Autumn end of term reports to Parents	Mon 5th July	<b>Inset day</b> (children not in school)
Wed 16th Dec	KS2 Christmas activity day	Mon 12th July	<b>Inset day</b> (children not in school)
Thurs 17th Dec	Infant Christmas party	Fri 16th July	Y6 PGL
Fri 18th Dec	Break up for Christmas	Thurs 22nd July	End of year reports to parents
Mon 4th Jan	Return to school		Break up for summer
Tues 9th Feb	Parents' evening		
Thurs 11th Feb	Parents' evening		
Fri 12th Feb	Break up for half term		
Mon 22nd Feb	Return to school		
Fri 12th March	<b>Inset day</b> (children not in school)		
Fri 26th March	Spring end of term reports to parents		
Thurs 1st April	Break up for Easter		

