

MICKLEOVER TIMES

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Eggstravaganza!

We had lots of decorated eggs come into school on Monday morning for our decorated egg competition, (270 in total!) The winner in each class, of this egg-straordinary event, received a big chocolate egg. However, everyone who entered received a small chocolate egg for entering. (All eggs kindly provided by FOMPS).

Reception winning eggs:
Magnus (Ladybirds)



Roxanne (Bees)



Year 1 winning eggs:
Evie (Dolphins)



Year 2 winning eggs:
Matilda (Owls)



Rupert (Cats)



Megan (Tigers)



Year 3 winning eggs:
Thea (3S)



Harrison (3W)



Year 4 winning eggs:
Lily (4F)



Horatio (4FT)



Year 5 winning eggs:
Gwen (5P)



Year 6 winning eggs:
Lizzie (6MH)



Isaac (6HW)



Harry (5H)



#Thisgirlcan

On Wednesday 20th March, we went to a festival which was at Derby Tennis Arena: we participated in a variety of activities.

DODGEBALL

The first thing we did was dodgeball. This sport involved your arms and legs, as the main objective of the game was to 'dodge the ball' and get your opponents out by hitting them with a soft sponge ball.

NETBALL

Secondly, we tried netball. Netball is a really fun game and by the end of this session, we all wanted to do it again. We learnt some passes such as: bounce pass, shoulder pass and chest pass then we did some mini-matches which was great fun. (The extra people practised the passes whilst the others played the matches.)

TAG RUGBY

Next, we tried rugby tag. We had to wear a band (that went around our waist) and wore two coloured rectangles – either red or yellow – which were stuck to the band. We had three sections and each section had around five people. Two girls had bibs on (they were defending) and the other three had a rugby ball to share between them. The aim was for those players with bibs to snatch the coloured tags off the opposing team; the three sharing the ball had to get pass the other team's 'bibbed' players and get the ball to the other end.

VOLLEYBALL

Finally, we tried volleyball where we learnt new positions such as the bow and arrow and the digger. We enjoyed it so much that we are hoping to add it to the school's lunchtime activities. By Jaipreet & Khadeejah 6HW



On Wednesday 20th March, some Y5 and Y6 girls went to a 'Thisgirlcan' festival. This sport event was held at the Derbyshire Tennis Centre. When we arrived, we were introduced to the other schools taking part. Our first station was dodgeball, which we played in groups of 4 or 5. Then we moved onto tag rugby, which we play at school. Afterwards, we went to the netball station and finally we played volleyball.

By Anya & Avneet 5H

i-vengers



We challenged the children to think of a top tip to stay safe online. Then we gathered all the tips and decided which ones were in our top 12. The i-vengers were really impressed with 3S who had the most entries. As a reward, they will be having an extra playtime with Mrs Sharpe.

We are looking forward to our final task, which is updating the school website with i-venger content.

Careers Week



In this fantastic week, we learned about peoples' jobs. The people we met in Y6 were the community police officer and a paramedic. They told us all about what they do. We learnt that what gender you are, doesn't matter. As part of their talk, they told us what their best moments were: the paramedic told us that getting someone to hospital in time was a best moment and the police officer's best moment was when she was working in the traffic division.

By Cassius & Gunkar (6MH)

Secret Storyteller

This half term we have been lucky enough to have some mums, dads and grandparents into school to read us a story. The Ladybirds have loved listening to our visitors reading to them.

"I liked my mummy reading Goldilocks, it was so much fun!"
Ameera

"It's exciting waiting to see who is coming in." Adele

"I loved hearing my daddy read a story to my class." Shaan



World Book Day



We had so much fun on World Book Day in Tigers. We looked at the book, 'Like The Ocean We Rise' and it was all about saving our planet. From now on we will make sure our planet is healthy by picking up our rubbish, stop littering and re-using plastic and creating something else with it. We created water coloured water drops to show that on our own we are one small drop but altogether WE ARE AN OCEAN!

By Jessica and Agnes in Tigers

Dodgeball

Last week, some Y5 and Y6 children went to Derby Tennis Centre to play dodgeball with Mrs Wright and Miss Chee. We played in 2 teams; MPS 'A' and MPS 'B'. We played against 8 other teams! The point of the game is to throw the ball at the other team. If they hit you, you have to come off and switch with one of your four subs.

After we had finished all of the games, we had a final round between our team and another good team, Homefields which we won! It was a great day.

By Ava & Molly 6HW

At the start of the day, we did the register and got on the bus; we were going to Derbyshire Tennis Centre to play in a dodgeball festival with 8 other schools.



We played our first game, (against Homefields) and lost by 1 point, however, in our second game, we won by a massive margin of 50 points! After a break we played doctor dodgeball, where there is one doctor on each team who can put his team mates back in, however if the doctor is out, there is only one life for each member of the team. We won our first game against Brookfield.

Next we played king and queen. If the king or queen are out, the game ends straight away! At the end we got a trophy for winning and a medal each.

By Alfie W & Zack (6HW)



The Easter Story with Inspire

In Year 1 we really enjoyed our visit from the Inspire Team for an Easter workshop. We started by all putting on a costume and acting out what happened on Palm Sunday. We did some craft activities, retold the Easter story and learned about how Christians celebrate Easter.

'I really enjoyed acting out the Easter story.' Evie

'I really liked the craft we did. We made Easter eggs to hang on a tree.' Millie

'We got to eat some bread like Jesus gave at the last supper.'
Leo



'We ate chocolate Easter eggs and learned they are the shape of the boulder that was in front of the tomb that Jesus was in.' Emily

News From 5P



Building Bridges

In Year 5 this term we are designing and building our own bridges. We have been learning about building the base of our own bridges. The first thing we did was get into groups that Miss Payne put us into. There were five people in each group and each group had their own table to work on. First we made a plan in our groups – our bridges have to have a span of 40cm, be 5cm off the ground and also hold two toy cars and let them pass each other. We made our bridges out of junk modelling. Lots of people used cardboard tubes to hold up their platforms.

Evie G & Lottie, 5P



Year 5 parents to lunch

On the 12th of March 2024, 5P parents came to see their children and eat with them. When they entered the room they had to find their children. Next they had to do an arithmetic test with their child; when the time was up they had to line up. As soon as the parents and children went into the lunch hall, they found a seat and then ate with their children. The choices were chicken curry and lemon drizzle cake! When they were finished, the parents went home and the children played on the playground.

Miriam and Evie C 5P

KS1 All Stars Cricket Festival

On Tuesday 5th March I took a group of Year 1 and 2 children to an All Stars Cricket Festival at Derby Arena. This was a chance for the children to practise the different skills needed to play cricket. Everyone had a great time and I know that quite a few children were keen to play more cricket in the future!

By Mrs Branch



Year 2 PSHE

We have incredibly busy days here in Year 2 that are filled with fun learning. There are times though where it's important to take a step back and fill our surroundings with calm. One way we have done this is with positive affirmations in PSHE. Happy children, who feel safe to be themselves, achieve their potential. Owls' Class were given a surprise affirmation card and then with gentle music, they read them and shared them. It was a joyous moment which made many children smile!

Ibrahim - Today, I will be patient like a tortoise.
Alyssa - Today, I will be powerful like fire.
Ayelah - Today, I will shine like the sun.
Lillie - Today, I will be energetic like the waves!



Happy Easter from all the staff at MPS. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 1st April.



Dates for your Diary

15th April Return to school
 16th April Tigers' parents invited to lunch
 18th April Y6 visit to Cromford Mill
 23rd April Owls' parents invited to lunch
 30th April 4FT parents invited to lunch
 7th May Bees' parents invited to lunch
 13th May Y6 SATs week
 13th May Y5 residential visit to PGL
 14th May Ladybirds' parents invited to lunch
 20th May Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y4 assessment week
 21st May Cats' parents invited to lunch
 23rd May 6pm Summer music concert
 24th May **Break up for half term**
 3rd June **Return to school**
 4th June Parent forum
 6th June Celebration of dance festival
 10th June Y1 phonics check
 11th June Dolphins' parents invited to lunch
 18th June 4F parents invited to lunch
 20th June Class photographs
 21st June **INSET DAY - children not in school**
 24th June **INSET DAY - children not in school**
 26th June am Infant sports day
 27th June am Y3/4 sports day
 27th June pm Y5/6 sports day
 5th July Summer fair
 15th July **INSET DAY - children not in school**
 18th July 6pm Leavers' performance
 19th July Reports to parents
 22nd July 6pm Leavers' disco
 23rd July **Break up for summer**



4th Sept Inset day
 5th Sept Return to school

EASTER WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

FIND 20 WORDS HIDDEN IN THIS PUZZLE



S G S E A R C H S R J K J G E
 S Y A B D A F F O D I L E C C
 R Q R H W U H F S J F X L H H
 T P A I N T B A S K E T L O I
 H O O V F P I A H W K E Y C C
 L S D I W D O J U P Q A B O K
 A U E S M H O W X P A S E L S
 F N C U I Q G F U N M T A A G
 B D O I E G G D G X S E N T Z
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Word List

BASKET
 BUNNY
 CANDY
 CHOCOLATE
 EASTER
 EGG
 FUN
 HUNT
 SUNDAY
 RABBIT
 SPRING
 DAFFODIL
 JELLYBEAN
 PARADE
 BONNET
 CHICKS
 SEARCH
 FIND
 DECORATED
 PAINT

Search the puzzle for the words shown in the word list. Circle each word that you find until you find all of the words in the whole puzzle!

