

MICKLEOVER TIMES

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Year 5 PGL Residential, 13th May – 17th May

PGL... what an experience! It is such an amazing place and we will definitely remember it for many years to come. We can't imagine any trip being better! On Monday 13th May we set off on our adventure, the journey there was fun and we even stopped at the park for a picnic. As soon as we arrived, we put our belongings in our cabins and got straight on with activities. The activities were incredible and even though some of us felt scared, we all overcame our fears and came away so proud of ourselves! It felt so good to do all the activities, a real accomplishment and something to be proud of.



Every day we completed different activities including the giant swing, trapeze, aeroball, raft building, laser tag, archery, Jacob's ladder and much more! Most of us loved the giant swing, it was just like being on a rollercoaster! It definitely gave us butterflies, but what a feeling! Also, if you looked hard enough you could catch a glimpse of Wales from the top of the swing. Abseiling was definitely the scariest, the tower was so tall, yet we all managed to at least climb to the top and conquer our fears. On the first morning, we all took part in raft buildings, we definitely got wet! Some rafts even fell apart, but we rebuilt them and got straight back out onto the water. On Wednesday, the sun shone down on us and most of us got a chance to complete the trapeze (the leap of faith)! Even Miss Payne and Mrs McNeil had a go! The hardest bit is standing on the platform before jumping to catch the trapeze, but what a feeling it is when you do it!

The evenings were equally as fun! We had so many activities including balloon splash, passport around the world, PGL tournament and of course the epic disco! Our PGL groupies, Lilly and Billy, made sure we had a blast from the moment we woke up to the moment it was time for bed.

Food glorious food! Wow! The food at PGL was delicious, they catered for everyone and we had three hot wonderful meals a day. Evening meals were followed by a visit to the tuck shop where we could buy all sorts of souvenirs, even if most of us just bought sweets (not at the excitement of our teachers!)

Well that concludes our brief description of PGL, we could have gone on for days! If you get the chance, go and don't look back. It's an opportunity of a life time and we would all go back in a heartbeat if we could.
Children from 5P

Y5 from MPS went to PGL at Boreatton Park from 13th - 17th May. My personal favourite activity was the zip wire; too bad it got ruined by the rain! My second favourite activity was the giant swing. I was really scared until I did it and I was really proud of myself. It was probably the best week of my life!

By Sean 5H

Last week, Y5 went to PGL for a residential visit. We did many activities featuring a zip wire, giant swing, laser tag, and more. The giant swing, which was massive, was my favourite activity as it flew through the air at high speed! The food was also delicious. I was in a cabin with Archie, Bobby, Jasper and Bruce - unsurprisingly, I got barely any sleep! Overall it was a fabulous trip!

By Harry 5H





Year 5 – Our week at school

Last week we completed a lot of fun and different activities, it didn't feel like we were doing English and Maths at all. We completed activities on binary code, played maths games such as drop zone, planned a party with only a set amount of money and played bingo. In English, we researched and made poster on France.



The afternoon activities were equally as fun. On Monday afternoon we did mystical music where we made wind chimes from sticks, leaves and other nature materials. We also got to play outside in the sunshine. On Wednesday afternoon we painted using watercolours and on Thursday we painted our clay tiles that we made!

The whole week was great and we can't thank Mrs Makwana and Ms Burgess enough for all their help!

By Sofia and Cayson 5P

Last week, all the Y5 students who didn't go to PGL, had an amazing week at school. My favourite activity was the mini-olympics. We joined with the Y6 and the coach told us what sports we would be participating in; they were: sprint, javelin, shot put and archery. I competed for my team in shot put and came 2nd!

By Esther 5H



Last week, we had a fun week. My favourite activity was den building and parachute games. I made the den with Sofia and Esther.

By Sofia 5H



Traditional Tales in Reception

Ladybirds have enjoyed learning about traditional tales this half term. We have dressed up as different characters to retell the stories. We have read books inside and outside in the garden.

I liked it when Cinderella danced with the Prince.

By Connie

I like Jack and the Beanstalk best. I liked it when the giant fell down the beanstalk!

I love reading! Byayah



Fruit Kebabs in Year 1!

As part of our Science and PSHE topics on plants and healthy eating, Year 1 designed and made Fruit Kebabs this half term. The children were set with the task of designing a recipe that was healthy, colourful and tasty. This was definitely achieved!

'My fruit kebab was really yummy. I put strawberries, grapes and blueberries on it.'

By Emily

'My fruit kebab was juicy and really delicious.' By Mia



'All the colours on my fruit kebab were different.' By Millie

'I needed a fruit kebab stick and I put two of each fruit on.' By Max

'I cut up the fruit and put it on the kebab stick. My fruit was sour.' By Theo

Y6 SATs Week



During SATs, I was very excited about all the fun activities, but also nervous about the tests. On Monday, we made a hedgehog from folding pages of a book. On Tuesday, we had a rounders tournament and beetle mania. Wednesday, we watched 'Minions, Rise of Gru' and had popcorn; I couldn't really hear it because everyone was talking. I think Thursday was the best day because we went bowling. By Lily 6MH



On the Monday, we had two tests, but first we went to a breakfast club in the hall, just for Year 6. In the afternoon, we did some fun stuff such as making a hedgehog out of a book. On the Thursday, we went bowling which was great. Finally we finished SATs and we went for a picnic in the park. By Chayten 6MH



Monday 13th May was the first day of SATs. SATs is a series of tests that children in Year 6 have to do. Everyone was nervous, including me. I was most nervous about the reading paper as it is often tricky. Overall, SATs week was so much better than I thought it would be. We got to bring a little mascot or a photo to keep us calm during the tests! Also, the Y6 breakfast in the hall, every morning, was yummy! By Katherine 6MH

During SATs week, we did six tests. In the afternoons, we did fun activities such as bowling, which was my favourite; it was so much fun! Everyone in

the UK has to do the papers at the same time, so no one can cheat. I wish we could do SATs week again; SATs week is nothing to worry about - don't be afraid...be excited!

By Alfie 6MH

Last week, which was SATs week, was unexpectedly fun. In the mornings, we ate breakfast at school; completed the tests; and took part in some special activities. We continued the activities into the afternoons. Friday was great when we went to Vicarage Park for the whole morning and had a picnic. I think the week was memorable and delightful; thanks to the teachers, teaching assistants and FOMPS.

By Siddhesh 6MH



Year 6 RE Poems

As part of our Y6 RE lessons, we have been thinking about our souls. Some children wrote poems about their thoughts:

SOULS

Roses are red;
Violets are blue.
Every person's soul is different to you.
They can't be seen;
They live in you.
The purpose is, to make you, YOU!

By Lewis 6MH

THE SOUL

A soul is not a thing:
It is not a bell; it doesn't go 'BING.'
You can't see it
Yet it shows you who you are.
It makes a person shine bright – like
a star.
You haven't seen your soul
- But it's your best friend.
And it's with you until the very end!

By Zack 6HW

New Sports Kit

A huge thank you to Soccer Stars for sponsoring two of our new event kits. I'm sure you'll agree they look fantastic.

Soccerstars continue to support our school with lunch clubs for all of the children, after school clubs (not just football - check out the website!) and curriculum delivery. We look forward to testing out our new kits soon.



Dates for your Diary

Fri 23rd May	Break up for half term
Mon 3rd June	Return to school
w/b 3rd June	Y4 times table check
w/b 3rd June	Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 Assessment week
w/b 3rd June	Y6 writing assessment
w/b 3rd June	Y6 Bikeability
3rd & 4th June	The Book People in school
Tues 4th June	9am Parent Forum
Wed 5th June	Y2 visit to Peak Wildlife
Thurs 6th June	Celebration of Dance
w/b 10th June	Y6 Bikeability
w/b 10th June	Y1 Phonics Check
w/b 10th June	Y6 writing assessment
Wed 19th June	Y3 visit to Cresswell Crags
Thurs 20th June	Class Photos
Thurs 20th June	New parents' evening
Fri 21st June	Inset day—children not in school
Mon 24th June	Inset day—children not in school
Wed 26th June	am Infant sports day
Thurs 27th June	am Y3/4 sports day
Thurs 28th June	pm Y5/6 sports day
Wed 3rd July	New classes for the day
Fri 5th July	Summer fair
Mon 8th July	Y5 Bikeability
Tues 9th July	Y5 Bikeability
Mon 15th July	Inset day—children not in school
Thurs 18th July	6pm Leavers' performance
Fri 19th July	Reports to parents
Mon 22nd July	6pm Y6 leavers' disco
Tues 23rd July	Break up for summer
Wed 4th Sept	Inset day—children not in school
Thurs 5th Sept	Return to school