

Seagrave News July 2023



## Whole school news...

Here we are at the end of what has been a busy, hard working but fun filled year. The children have been a delight this year and have shown us their resilience and stamina and how they are maturing through testing weeks, clubs and activities, trips and residentials and the day to day work.

As we break up for Summer we would like to thank you for your support through the year and wish you all a relaxing and enjoyable summer break.

This half term has gone by in a blur! The children have had the opportunity to go out on a visit or residential with their class. EYFS and Class 1 enjoyed their trip to Conkers and this week have had a lot of fun during their Pirate fun day! Class 2 had a fantastic time on their residential at Beaumanor hall. They were very well behaved, full of energy and left the teachers exhausted! Year 6 started the term with a trip to Warning zones. This was a very informative trip and the children behaved responsibly. They have recently put all of their efforts into their production of 'Alice'. The show was a great success and enjoyed by all.

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June the ladies from Leicester Children's holidays came to congratulate the school on raising £1732 for the children's charity through our sponsored colour dash. The children were given their prizes and we would like to thank all of those who donated.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> June, 15 new starters came to play in Mrs Chafer's classroom. It was lovely to meet them all and we hope they will be very happy here. The Year 6 children have also been visiting their new schools and all seemed happy when they returned. The rest of the school took part in our "Meet the teacher" afternoon where they got to spend an afternoon with their new teachers and class mates. The children all enjoyed their afternoon and are now looking forward to September when they will be moving into their new classes permanently.

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July volunteers from the Rotary club and Seagrave Church visited our school for a special assembly. The church kindly presented the Year 6 leavers with a children's Bible each. Then a child from each Year group was chosen to be presented with a Rotary star award by the President of the Rotary club. These awards were given to children who have shown kindness, resilience, empathy, integrity or personal growth.

The children presented with a Rotary star award are:

- EYFS Jessica
- Year 1 Pippa
- Year 2 Harry
- Year 3 Isla
- Year 4 Finlay
- Year 5 Elissa
- Year 6 Finnley

Well done to them all.

On Tuesday afternoon it was our Sports afternoon. We all waited in anticipation to see if the weather would be kind. However we were disappointed when a heavy rain shower at 12 o'clock meant we had to cancel. We quickly changed the plan for the afternoon and the children went to the Village hall in their Key stages to take part in races with their friends. The children enjoyed themselves and were all awarded with a sticker and an ice pop at the end of the afternoon as a thank you for taking part.

# Coming up next halfterm...

Dates for your diary:

Friday 1st September – School re-opens to pupils

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Seagrave Village fair

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October – School closes for Half term break

Monday 23rd October - School re-opens to pupils

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – School closes for the Christmas holiday

# Goodbye Year 6



It is with sadness that we are saying goodbye to our Year 6 pupils on Thursday.

Our Year 6 leavers are - Amellia Baker, Jude Foden, Riley Cox, Rufus Brown, Jaiden Chapman, Louisa Fitzpatrick, Jude Foden, Ellie Glover, Oliver Haig, Isabella Harper, Jack Jefferson, George Simpson and Finnley Torr.

Most of these pupils have been at Seagrave since they were four years old and the children who have joined in later years have fitted in really well to the Seagrave family. They worked extremely hard towards their final SATs tests and achieved well. They have all been an asset to our school and will be missed by both staff and pupils. We would also like to thank the parents of the Year 6s who have continued to support our school throughout their child's time here.

We wish all of the Year 6s well as they move to the next step in their educational journey.



## EYFS News



This half term has been a lot of fun in EYFS. The topic has been "Life on the ocean wave" which the children became really absorbed in and they have been exploring what lies beneath the waves. We started the half term focussing on the story of Noah's ark. The children all designed and made their own boats and then tested them on the water tray.









On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June we joined with Class 1 for our trip to Conkers. It was a super day and the children had a lot of fun. We climbed in the indoor and outdoor play areas, rode the Conkers express, walked through the night tunnel, enjoyed the 4d cinema experience, had a walk around the lake and looked at the exhibits. We were very lucky with the weather and on the way back the coach was filled with very tired children (and teachers!)









The following week the children explored the different ocean zones and all created an information poster about a sea creature. They were really engaged in their learning and even taught me a few new facts about their chosen creature! They then created a collage of the zones of the ocean.



This term Miss Cook has led four forest school sessions which have been a lot of fun. We explored the forest school classroom and played some games such as hide and seek and granny's footsteps. The children made fairy houses and did tree bark rubbings. Our favourite session was the Tuesday when it was raining heavily. In this session we all splashed in the puddles, slid down the mud slides and had a lot of muddy, soggy fun!









Over the last couple of weeks the children in EYFS have had 3 sessions with their new Year 1 teachers. This has given them a chance to meet their teachers, meet their new class mates and explore their new classroom. The children and I talked about their visits and they seem excited to be moving into Year 1. Although I know they are ready to move on, I shall miss them all and want to congratulate them on a fabulous first year at school. Well done Seb, Skye, Macie, Ace, Thomas, Bobby, Bodhi, Nancy-anne, Jessica, Bart, Wittness, George, Pennie, Millie and Rosezella!

### <u>Class 1 News</u>



We have had a fantastic half term in Class 1. The children have really enjoyed our 'Under the Sea' topic. They have learnt how to draw lots of different under the sea creatures such as jellyfish and sharks.

We painted Seascapes, learning how to create texture in our art. We worked in groups to make some beautiful dioramas for our Classroom Aquarium.

We have had some wonderful pieces of homework shared in class, some children have written fact books, some have done some beautiful collages and 3D models.



We have been learning about the Oceans. We have written some beautiful, descriptive acrostic poems.

In science we have been predicting what things float and what sink and then tested out our theories!

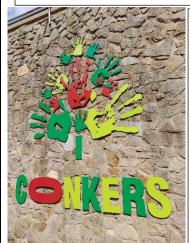
We have experimented with lots of different materials – learning that the same material in a different shape could make the difference to whether it floats or sinks!



In Design and Technology we have explored lots of different types of boats.

We designed and made own own sails and then created a wooden boats by following step by step instructions!

We also made lego boats and got some of them to float!



We enjoyed our end of year trip to Conkers. The weather stayed dry so we could make the most of our day!

The train was lots of fun and we played on the adventure playpark.

We had a lovely indoor picnic and enjoyed exploring outside.

The year 2 children have all spent some time in their new classroom with Miss Penman.

The year 1 children have spent some time with the EYFS children coming into class 1 in August, we have enjoyed playing lots of 'getting to know you' games and doing some fun activities together.

We are all really looking forward to our next school year!



### <u>Class 2 News</u>

We have reached the end of another wonderful year and I am once again blown away by class 2's efforts!

This term, our class topic was 'The Tudors'. We focused on Henry VIII learning about his life and why he is a significant figure. The children conducted role play where they became Henry himself, inviting others to his Royal Ball.

In computing the children learnt about different types of software and their purpose. The children loved using the laptops to create a fact file about Henry VIII.







Class 2 enjoyed science this term. We investigated how sound travels and designed and created our very own musical instruments out of recycled materials. Together we formed a very cool rock band!



Towards the end of the term, Class 2 got the opportunity to attend a 2 night residential at Beaumanor Hall. The children had an incredible few days and immersed themselves in all the activities. They showed outstanding teamwork and developed independence.







I could not be more proud of class 2 for their efforts within the KS2 production. They all tried their best and gave it their all when performing 'Alice'. Both class 2 and 3 worked so hard and each performance was outstanding.



Lastly, I would like to say a huge well done to the Year 4's in completing their multiplication check. What a fantastic year it has been! I hope you all have a wonderful summer break. Miss Penman.

### <u>Class 3 News</u>

The summer term is always very busy for class 3, and we are excited to share with you our activities!

The Alice Production is taking shape. We have had after school clubs to work on different scenes. We have been singing with Class 2 so that we know all the songs to perform, without song sheets!



It has been all hands-on deck. All staff with and without the children have been making props and finding props to ensure our performance is interactive and good fun. The children have been gathering costumes together from home, and we have also bought some, as well as having help from other schools, who have recently performed 'Alice'.



This type of production incorporates a lot of education. It encourages self-expression and confidence and the aim will result in life-long engagement with the arts.

The children will learn various rhythmic patterns, learn tone, and hear different musical styles. The children have performed solo and in ensembles. The children have shown resilience, responsibility and focus. So now.... It is time to enjoy our hard work and perform.

We hope you all enjoyed it.



**CPR** Training

Cooking with Leena and Sandy

On Thursday mornings Class3 have had a great opportunity to cook. They last cooked with Leena and Sandy in the autumn term and this term they have made 'mac and cheese' and garlic bread. The children develop great experiences learning to whisk and use different cutting techniques with sharp knives. They produced some lovely meals.

Year 6 children had the opportunity to learn all about CPR delivery from The Red Cross. It was very informative. The children got to practise on dummies and it linked well with our science topic- The Circulatory System.

### Orienteering

In P:E the children have enjoyed orienteering on the field and they have also worked on throwing, running and balancing skills ready for sports day!

### Finally....

It will soon be time to bid farewell to our Year 6 children. Transition days now complete, the children are ready to move on to pastures new. We will miss them; however, they are now ready for the next stage of their education. Year six will share their Seagrave School experiences at their leaver's assembly. Fun was also had at their leavers party.