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Friday 17th June 2022

Dear All,

What a beautiful week it has been weather-wise! It has been so lovely to enjoy playing and learning outside with the children. A reminder though to make sure your child has a hat, water bottle and a named suncream in school so they can stay safe now the warmer weather has arrived.

The children all enjoyed experimenting and investigating as part of their Science day on Tuesday and made lots of discoveries, mostly involving biscuits! Check out the photos below and ask them what they have been up to.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs L Watts – Executive Headteacher

This week in class...

Little Brown Hare: We have provided many opportunities for the children to learn about cause and effect this week, it does in fact happen daily at LBH with water play and the mud kitchen always present. As an adult led science experiment we made a volcano and watched it erupt, we put some pulleys up in the trees and we also made our own rainbows with the water hose. Learning about cause and effect is developed though having conversations with adults and other children about the things they observe. As the weather is warming up please can I remind parents to put sunscreen and a hat on their children and to also put an ice block in their lunch bags. LBH will also be running a jumble type stall at the school fete, raising money for the friends of the school, please can all parents have a rummage and donate clothes, books and toys for us to sell – thank you in advance!

Blackbirds: Blackbirds class have had a really exciting week with lots to find out about animals that live around us. We have been learning about how Eric Carle (author of The Hungry Caterpillar) made his illustrations and we have been creating our own papers to use for art work next week. We have also been writing information texts about imaginary minibeasts. On Wednesday, we were really lucky to be able to watch the man who came in to ring the baby kestrels - an amazing experience. On Friday, we have had a wonderful trip to BugzUK, a new bug zoo that has just opened. There was so much to learn all day and we were very lucky that the owner brought out lots of minibeasts for us to see up close as well as having a bug handling session. The children were so well behaved and we had a great day.

Wagtails: This week in Wagtails, we have been looking at how we protect our coast line from erosion as well as how our varied coastline is formed. The class have looked at the different types of sea defence we have along the Norfolk coast in particular. It was great to see so many of the children able to say that they had seen so many of the different types whilst out enjoying the beaches. It just goes to show how lucky we are with where we live! We also spent time looking at how coastal features such as headlands, arches and spits were formed. We were all surprised to find out that arches, sea caves and even bays were actually eroded away as they were sites of weaker rock compared to the rock remaining around them. We finally looked at Happisburgh as a very local example of what happens when the sea does erode areas of land. The children were shocked to see just how quick the land is being claimed by the sea.

Skylarks: Skylarks have been experimenting as part of our federation science day using their prediction, observation and hypothesis skills. They have been discussing whether space exploration is a good idea and thinking about what would be involved and the issues posed if the human race had to set up another colony on the Moon! Their maths brains have been challenged with time this week - a.m./p.m., 24 hour, analogue/digital, converting and reading timetables! Yr 6 continue with learning to surf at Cromer and are really becoming quite proficient now. Practising for the end of year show is well underway too!



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Forest School News We loved the cool wood this week. We have been making Elderflower cordial and ID'ing the trees. Some children enjoyed making bow and arrows again and Broomsticks! We loved seeing the baby kestrels that live in our bird box above the pond get tagged this week. Some of the children even got to stroke them. Don't forget the year 6 trip to West Runton next week for forest school!

Dates for your diary

Year 6 Forest School - Wednesday 22nd of June, and the 6th and 20th of July

Year 5 Forest School – Wednesdays 29th of June, and 13th of July

Year 4 Forest School - Thursdays 23rd of June, and the 7th and 21st of July

Y2/3 Forest School – Thursdays 30th of June and the 14th of July

Blackbirds' Forest School – every Tuesday afternoon

Year 6 surfing – Friday 24th of June

Year 6 reports out – Tuesday 28th of June

Year 6 transition days at AHS – Wednesday 29th, Thursday 30th of June and Friday 1st of July

Other reports out – Friday 1st of July

Arts' Week – Week beginning 4th of July

Sports Afternoon – Tuesday 15th of July

Friends' Summer Fayre – Tuesday 15th of July

Family Learning - Thursday 7th of July

Year 6 leavers' service – Friday 22nd July, 9.15am – more details to follow

Messy Church – Friday 22nd July, 2pm @ St Mary's Church – all welcome!

End of Term – Friday 22nd of July

Parking We have started to use the pedestrian gate instead of the vehicle gate at drop-off and pick up so that there is less risk of children running into the road. Please help to keep our children safe by **not** parking opposite the school gate. Thank you

Friends of Erpingham Primary Thank you to everyone who took part in our Fathers' Day gift shop, the children loved choosing their gifts and we hope they will be equally well received by all the Dads! We raised over £40 which is brilliant! We are now getting excited and busy making plans for our Summer Fete on 5th July. If you can help in anyway - offer up a gift for our Tombola, volunteer to help us set up or man a stall for a bit it would be so appreciated and will help to make it a fantastic event... come and chat to either Laura or Genna in the playground!

Science Day! Our children at both schools, including pre-schools, had a great time experimenting and investigating this week as part of our Science Day. There was lots of excitement and intrigue when looking at liquids, gasses and solids and how they behave when mixed. Some found out about making goo! Others experimented with tea, coffee and sugar and some even had biscuit dunking! Children used their super observation skills to look closely at what was happening and with a bit of head scratching they tried to work out the 'why did that happen?!' Well done to all of our young scientists!





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