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Friday 8th July 2022

Dear All,

We have had three wonderful family events in school this week. The Sports afternoon was really well-attended, the children worked hard and showed great determination. Thank you to everyone who came along to support and especially to the Little Brown Hares who joined in so well. The summer fayre was also fantastic and raised around £300 for projects within the school. Thank you to everyone who helped to organise it and anyone who came to spend their pennies, we are very grateful. Finally, the family learning on Thursday afternoon was also a great event with children working collaboratively to create an exciting habitat and animals to live in it. Thank you to Mrs Barry and Mrs Barker for their creative ideas – some of the animals are still hiding around the site so look out!

As we move into the last two (!) weeks of term, there are lots of other exciting things coming up. Please remember to check out the dates below so you don't miss anything. The weather next week looks set to be rather hot so please send your children with hats, suncream and extra drinks.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs L Watts – Executive Headteacher

This week in class...

Little Brown Hare: We had a wonderful Sports day and fete on Tuesday, the children are still talking about it which is lovely. We have also been busy with some leaf bashing 'Happa Zome', which the children enjoyed taking part in. They first explored the site and found blackcurrants and raspberries, lavender, poppies and daisies, along with a variety of leaves. Then they arranged the items before placing some calico over the top, the best bit of course was bashing with a hammer to create a print.

Blackbirds: Blackbirds Class have been working really hard this week in our art week. There has been so much drawing going on. We have been thinking about eyes and looking closely at our own eyes and the eyes of different animals. The children have made animal eye telescopes and then we looked through them and thought what the different animals might see in their habitats. Other exciting news this week has been that our butterflies are all grown up and we have released them into the wild in the forest school area. It has been a fascinating experience for us all to have them living in our classroom.

Wagtails: This has been an incredibly busy and exciting week in Wagtails class! We have been enjoying Arts week very much, especially experimenting with all of the different drawing techniques. We've focused our work around plants and trees and have spent time closely studying their shapes, textures and patterns. The class have also enjoyed using a whole range of different mediums in which to draw and mark make with. We also went on a school trip to track the River Glaven from source to sea. The weather was perfect and we conducted a lot of field research along the way using our knowledge from our topic. The children were particularly excited by the ford and it was a bit of a pull to get them to get back onto the bus as they tested the current speed as well as pushing their welly heights to their absolute limit!

Skylarks: Skylarks had a fantastically creative Art Week considering the question 'How do we really see things?' They studied the work of different artists including Millie Marotta and Alex Konahin - both illustrators inspired by the living world. They have experimented with different drawing tools and techniques and enjoyed being given more freedom to explore the effects. We were super proud of our Y6s girls, Lily-Beth, Saffron and Esme for attending the grand final of the Dyson Outreach Programme Competition at Gresham's School and coming first; an amazing achievement! Well done!



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Forest School News This week we enjoyed years 6's sweet day in the woods. We made our own fires to cook our marshmallows for smores and also baked scones with cream and jam and a big fat vegan lemon cake! Year 4 loved the new tool the Hand Auger wrench. We made lots of holes with it and created all sorts of imaginary spray guns and pickaxes. Ladders and tables up next! We enjoyed some walks and even made a caterpillar jungle gym.

Dates for your diary

Year 6 Forest School – Wednesday 20th of July

Year 5 Forest School – Wednesday 13th of July

Year 4 Forest School – Thursday 21st of July

Y2/3 Forest School – Thursday 14th of July

Blackbirds' Forest School – every Tuesday afternoon

Wagtails to Henry Blogg Museum – Wednesday 13th July

Skylarks Dress Rehearsal to the school - Tuesday 19th July pm (Blackbirds Forest School – am)

Y6 leavers' Bowling – Wednesday 20th July

Skylarks performance – Thursday 21st July @ 2pm

Y6 leavers' celebration – Friday 22nd July, 11.30am @ school, followed by picnic – Year 6 parents welcome

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

End of Term – Friday 22nd of July

Well Done!!! To Lily-Beth, Saffron and Esme who came first in the STEAM competition at Gresham's school. They took on competitors from many schools across North Norfolk and showed great skill and team work.



Friends of Erpingham Primary A huge thank you to everyone who came and also parents and staff who helped with our Summer Fayre on Tuesday. It was lovely to enjoy time together in the sunshine! The final figures are not quite in, but it looks as though we raised around £300 for the school! If you want to know how to get involved in any future events, please come and chat to us in the playground!





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