



Friday 17th March 2023

Dear All,

What a wonderful time we have had for Science week! The children have had opportunities to expand and build upon their science knowledge, they have had a fantastic time and they have all displayed excellent collaborative and problem solving skills. All of the adults who have come in to work with the children this week have commented on how brilliant and kind they are and we are all very proud of them. I would also like to say a big thank you to everyone who was able to join us on Wednesday for our Family Learning Afternoon, we hope you enjoyed it.

Best Wishes

Mrs E Sacre – Executive Headteacher

### **This week in class...**

**Little Brown Hare** - We have really enjoyed joining in with the schools science week, watching the science boffin when he came on Tuesday, the rocket launch caused much speculation amongst the children when it landed in a nearby tree. The children also made their very own volcano where we were able to build on their existing knowledge whilst experimenting, creating opportunities to use new language as they listened to each other describe what was happening. We have also started to plant up the flower pots and make some cool bug hotels which the children have taken home to hang up in their garden. Happy Mothers Day to all our fabulous mums, we hope you have a lovely relaxing Sunday.

**Blackbirds** - Blackbirds class have been enjoying all the exciting science events that have been going on this week. As well as the activities for the whole school, we have been doing our own investigation into what is going on when things are blown up into the air. The children have been experimenting with straws and tissue paper to see if they can beat gravity and make things move upwards. They became experts at propelling tissue paper into the air and even managed to make a ping pong ball hover for a moment with the foot pump. We have also spent time discussing what is going on and trying to work out how the different forces are connected in the ways that things move up into the air and then fall to the ground.

**Wagtails** - This week in Wagtails we have been enjoying all things sciency. The class worked really hard building earthquake resistant structures out of cocktail sticks and marshmallows after our visit from an engineer. It was great to see excellent teamwork and divergent thinking in each of the groups. We also finished writing our Viking sagas. The children have been enjoying fitting all of their knowledge about the Norse mythology and Viking ways into their writing.

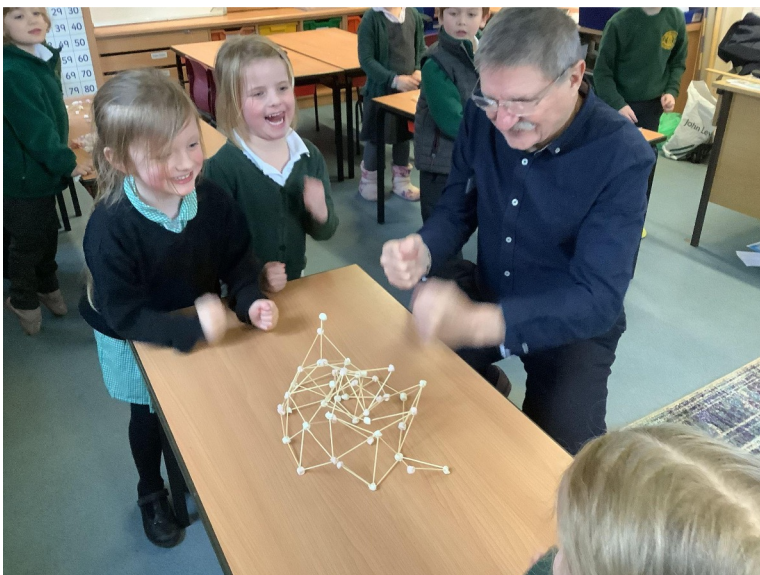
**Skylarks** - This week...an amazing week packed with science, technology and engineering and maths for Skylarks. Our marshmallow tower challenge was exciting and well done to Henry, Freddie H, Charlie-May and Arthur's team for their winning tower. Y6 had a fantastic time at the Greshams STEAM event where impressive teamwork led to a successful design being accomplished. Science boffin Paul was very inspiring with his Fabulous Flame workshop and the class were awe struck by the mind blowing experiments. Thank you to Elie and Stella for setting off the impressive rocket which can still be seen in a very tall tree near the pond! Thanks to the friends for covering the costs of this special event.

Next week...Y6 solving 2 step equations, Y5 decimals 2dp and equivalent fractions and decimals





# NEWSLETTER



**Forest School News** - On Wednesday Y6 had a visit from little brown hare. We played the copy cat snake game all through the wood to keep warm. We then made noddles which we all enjoyed round the fire. Some made fishing rods that became whips, they whipped branches down and had alot of imaginary play with them.

Thursday was a mega fire day, which had epic colours in. We cooked Crumpets on it for snack time and then melted our wax ready for our candles. Y3/4 dug and created their moulds in the mud. Some stayed to watch them go solid again. We had fun digging them up after lunch! We also made whips today which we used to hit targets!



### **DIARY DATES**

**Monday 20th March** - 8:30am How Hill Parents Information

**Tuesday 21st March** - Blackbirds Forest School

**Wednesday 22nd March** - Year 5 Forest School **Parent Evening in School**

**Thursday 23rd March** - Year 2 Forest School **SATS CLUB** **Parent Evening Online**

**Friday 24th March** - Wagtails Swimming

**Monday 27th March** - Skylarks PE

**Tuesday 28th March** - Blackbirds Forest School **Wagtails joint Viking Experience with Oak Class from Northrepps SATS CLUB**

**Wednesday 29th March** - **Blackbirds visit to Norwich Cathedral** Year 6 Forest School

**Thursday 30th March** - Year 3-4 Forest School

**Friday 31st March** - **Messy Church** Last day of term.

**Tuesday 18th April** - Return to school

**Wednesday 19th April** -

**Thursday 20th April** - **SATS CLUB**

**Friday 21st April** - Wagtails Swimming