



Summer 1, 2023

Firbeck Times

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Welcome to the first edition of our Firbeck Family Newsletter! At the end of each term, we will share all the exciting things that have been going on and what amazing opportunities are still to come.

We have had a visit from the **CEO of Nova Education Trust, Mr Ashfaq Rahman.**

He was thrilled to hear about our amazing curriculum and extra curricular opportunities from conversations with both staff and pupils in the school.



Thank you to those parents who joined us in celebrating the **King's Coronation**, I hope you all had as much fun as the children did!

We were very lucky to have created links with the **Co-op store on Bramcote Lane** who supported the King's Coronation Event by providing all the fruit for our fruit kebab making, as well as donating a plum tree to our allotment.



The children in both Year 6 and Year 2, have worked extremely hard, this term and completed their SATs!



As a school we are working towards our **Eco Award** to ensure that our planet is looked after to support all the future generations to come.

On April 22nd, we celebrated **Earth Day** by litter picking inside and outside the school grounds.

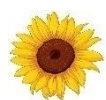
Please remember to use the bins provided in school to dispose of your litter when picking up your child.



The Sunflower Project!

We know so many children have been busy caring for and watching their sunflowers grow.

At the end of summer 2, the child with the tallest sunflower and the child who has created the most amazing sunflower journal will win a prize. We can't wait to see photos of your sunflowers and your amazing journals. Please bring them in by the 10th July and BE PROUD to show the rest of your class the journal you have made!



Our Extra Curricular Opportunities

Year 3 had their own Stone Age Adventure at Creswell Crags. Creswell Crags is one of the best sights in the country for learning about life in Stone Age Britain as people first started living there around 60,000 years ago. During their trip, they visited a cave, learnt about the many different animals which humans lived alongside in the Stone Age and reconstructed the skeletons of wolves and hyenas so that we could better understand their anatomy.



Year 4 visited University of Nottingham for an aspiration day to encourage children to think about higher education. The children attended a lecture; wrote notes; talked about budgeting and looked at some University accommodation.



Year 4 were lucky enough to participate in The Great Orchestra Experiment this term. We travelled to The Albert Hall in Nottingham where we watched and listened to the Nottingham Youth Orchestra. We then joined in playing 'Tequila' with our flutes and guitars. This was such a large orchestra, as many other schools were there. A highlight was joining in with an opera singer - we were the chorus singing about the Trojan horse. What an incredible experience!







Year 2 have begun their weekly swimming trips at Lenton Centre. These will continue in Summer 2. The confidence and progress the children have made has been SPECTACULAR!

EYFS have had their very own caterpillars in the classroom to watch grow and shed; create their cocoon. Yesterday we released the butterflies into our outdoor area!



Upcoming Events:

Please add these Summer Term 2 dates to your calendars to ensure you don't miss out!
On occasions, extra events may be added or things may change, please check your child's letters and any other notices sent out by the school/teachers.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 5 th June					
Week 2 12 th June					
Week 3 19 th June			St Leonard's Church Visit (Year 5 & Year 4) 	Reception starters welcome @ 4.30pm	
Week 4 26 th June					
Week 5 3 rd July		Transition Day	St Leonard's Church Visit (Reception & Year 6) 	 End of Y6 Event (provisionally booked)	 End of Y6 Event (provisionally booked)
Week 6 10 th July			Transition Afternoon. Parents to come in at 2.45pm to meet the teacher.	 @ 3.30pm	Reports to be sent out. If you wish to book an appointment after this, please book a time with your child's teacher next week.
Week 7 17 th July	Y4 trip to Jorvik Centre (provisionally booked)		 Sports Morning @9.30	'Work Hard, Be Proud' showcase from 2.45pm	Y6 Leavers & Celebration Assembly @ 2pm
Week 8 24 th July	Shirt Signing Day for Year 6				

A little bit more information...

Sports Morning on Wednesday 19th July – Please come along and cheer on your child during sports day. Sports Day will be held on the field from 9.30am.

Transition Day on Tuesday 4th July – A transition day will be held where your child will visit their new class for the day. Please drop your child off and collect your child from their usual class (not new).

Transition Afternoon on Wednesday 12th July @ 2.45pm - Please come into school and see your child in their new classroom and to meet their new teacher.

Excellence Awards – The Excellence Awards are an invitation only event. More details to be sent out closer to the time.

'Work Hard, Be Proud' showcase from 2.45pm – Please visit your child's classroom from 2.45pm and let your child 'be proud' of their learning and show it off!

Wollaton Arts Festival – This will be running from Saturday 1st July to Sunday 9th July. On Saturday 1st July Firbeck are exhibiting some of the amazing things we have been doing in school, such as digital clips and art work. Please come and visit if you can!