

Contents

Page 1

Class 3 Visit Report

Page 2

Science Day

Page 3

Class 2 Visit Report

Page 4

Inset Days

Awards

Page 5

Diary Dates

Colwick Times

07 July 2023



Class 5 Visit Report

On Thursday 22nd June we visited Stratford-upon-Avon because we have been learning about the Tudors. First when we arrived we were met by two Tudor characters. When we had split into our two groups one group went with the peasant lady and one with William Shakespeare. In the Shakespeare group we got to act Tudor roles for the theatre. The peasant group went around the museum part and we learnt about the plague, what it was like on a ship, what it smelt like from smell boxes, and Tudor jobs. Then we swapped over. I learnt that whatever your last name was, that was usually your job. We came back together and met William Shakespeare again to learn about crime and punishment. Miss Bewick got put in the stocks because she had kicked an old man! Then it was lunchtime and we ate our lunch by the river. William Shakespeare met us and took us on a tour of Stratford. We visited Shakespeare's house, his statue, the church, his school and some of the Tudor pubs. The bit of knowledge that I learnt was that they would throw their children out of a window if they had the plague (Kyran). I learnt that if you had the plague you had a big cross put on your door and that the doctors wore beak masks with nice smells in it (Sophie). Even though it was hot it was a fun day.

By Sophie and Kyran, Class 5



Science Day

Last Thursday the whole school took part in a fun packed Science Day. Every child took part in scientific investigations and experiments. The learning for all children was amazing and a variety of adults observed that the children were extremely excited and motivated. Activities included: making and testing hovercraft from balloons, CDs and bottle tops; investigating the best way to make catapults; using a zipwire to test the impact of gravity on stuffed toys; using chemical reactions to create CO₂ to put out a candle; experiments with water displacement and static electricity; liquid density investigation and using a candle to create a vacuum; investigating the strength of eggs by standing on them; making lentils dance in vinegar and helicopters fly at different speeds and investigations with shadows and skittles making rainbows in water.

All the children had an excellent day which ended with them sharing and celebrating their learning in collective worship and Mr Collins making a really big mess with 3 bottles of cola and some Mentos - in the name of "Science". We were fortunate enough to have a visit from a Dr Bardwell, our science governor who had the chance to see first hand the learning that was going on. We hope that the children came home and told you all about it.



Our School

St John the Baptist
C of E Primary School

Address

Vale Road
Colwick
NG4 2ED

Phone

0115 911 5599

Email

parents2@st-johns-
pri.notts.sch.uk

Website

www.st-johns-
pri.notts.sch.uk

Class 2 Visit Report

This week we visited the Nottingham Caves and the National Justice Museum because we are learning about Nottingham as part of History. In the morning we got to go in a police area, a court room for young people and some police dressing up. We did some sorting in there saying if it was past or present. Then we went to the caves and learnt about the history of them. We saw a bomb shell from WW2. We saw 8 caves but there are actually over 800 caves! After lunch we made wanted posters for Robin Hood and then we went into a court room for adults. We got to pretend that Robin Hood was on trial for stealing. He was found guilty! His punishment was being put in a cell. We walked to see the Robin Hood statue near the Castle but we got drenched in the rain! So it was time to get back to school. My favourite bit was visiting the caves (Noah) My favourite bit was visiting the caves and making the wanted posters. By Lily and Noah



Inset Days

The five INSET days for the academic year 23-24 have been proposed and agreed at the Governors meeting on 28th June. They are;

Day 1: Monday 4th September 2023

Day 2: Tuesday 5th September 2023

Day 3: Wednesday 6th September 2023

Day 4: TBC taken in the spring term

Day 5: TBC taken in the summer term

That means that the new academic year will start for pupils on Thursday 7th September at 8.45am. The school day will end at 3.15pm.

Awards

Attendance award week beginning 26th June - C1

week beginning 3rd July - C4

Times Tables award week beginning 26th June - C5 & C6

week beginning 3rd July - C4

Platinum awards week beginning 26th June - C4 Alice, C6 Connor, Aiden, Ollie, Marley, Layla

week beginning 3rd July - C6 - Alfie

PANTs day winners - FS Isla, C1 Peter, C2 Amelia, C3 Angel, C4 Sophie, C5 Abbie, C6 Amelia



Diary Dates

Diary Dates

Monday 10th July - Sports Awards invite only

Tuesday 11th July - new FS parents meeting

Wednesday 12th July - Transition morning - pupils meet their new teacher

Tuesday 18th July/Wednesday 19th July - Y5/6 summer show

Thursday 20th July SEND Surgery

Friday 21st July - pupil's annual written reports to parents released

Tuesday 25th July - Y6 leavers assembly (time TBC)

Wednesday 26th July - First day of summer holidays

Monday 4th September - Admin day (staff only)

Tuesday 5th September - INSET day school closed to pupils

Wednesday 6th September - INSET day school closed to pupils

Thursday 7th September - pupils in Years 1-6 return to school

Thursday 7th September - New FS stay and play sessions

Friday 8th September - New FS morning and lunch

Monday 11th September - New FS begin full time

Wednesday 13th September - Individual photos

Monday 23rd Oct - Fri 3rd November - half term holiday

Monday 6th November - pupils return for autumn 2

Friday 22nd December - last day of school

Thursday 4th January 2024 - pupils return for spring term