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Lime Hills Academy School news and Information

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Have a great

Notices

It's lovely to see the student looking like a really cohesive team in their uniform. It's really important for all students, with exceptions of Weston and Seymour classes, to wear our uniform. If you would like to order new uniform, please click on the link below.

Lime Hills Uniform

 First day of Term 4 is Tuesday 25th February. Dear parents, carers and the wider Lime Hills community,

Term three has seen some great improvements over both sites

in terms of learning, relationships and a greater sense of belonging.

We have seen the Year 11 cohort engaging with careers meetings and college on a weekly basis to prepare for their next and exciting steps.

Across both sites, we have seen brilliant poetry, students enjoying and making progress in maths, students coming together for recognition assemblies, students writing much more frequently and at length and every child engaging with reading.

Parent and carers should have received a Mid Term report and a Learning Journal. These have been a joy to read and I hope you enjoy them too.

For any concerns of a safeguarding nature or other, I will have my school phone on over the holidays 07543 508106.

As ever, I would like to thank the parents for their ongoing support and would like to wish you all a happy holiday.

Looking forward to term 4 which starts for students on TUESDAY 25 FEBRUARY.

Best wishes.

Lis Jolley

Our Safeguarding Team



Lis Jolley Principal



Zoe Jenkins Designated Safeguarding Lead



Clara White Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Owen Wolfe Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Ellie Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Lis is on call over the holiday please text or call 07543508106

Cheddar Class

This term at Puxton Park we had the opportunity to meet baby animals: Piglets, lambs and calves. This linked with our book "The Wild Robot". Through reading this book we have learned about life cycles, animals and their young. We have visited various farms and even met a talking parrot

named Connor!









We had our third visit to Watercress Farm this term and enjoyed our time in nature and we have been involved in the rewilding of the local area.

Interestingly, we learned about what is inside a woodpeckers poo! We also made some yummy popcorn by the campfire.









Our class are very interested in flying machines, and we have had some wonderful visits to the helicopter museum. At the museum, we were able to investigate how helicopters are built, we saw the Queen's Royal Flight helicopter, a Vietnam Veteran Huey and a Flying Banana Helicopter. We really enjoyed the flight simulator too.









On site, we have had a brand-new trampoline! The trampoline is a massive help for our sensory needs and is also teaching us how to be patient and taking turns so we can enjoy it safely!









Blagdon Class

This term Blagdon has made some brilliant progress in our learning in and outside of the classroom.

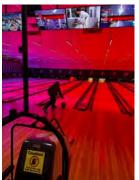
For English, we have been reading The Wild Robot which our class have enjoyed. It has sparked some great discussions around technology and robots. They also shared some good ideas

around AI and the ability for it to have feelings.





In Maths we have focused on building confidence with numbers through introducing new methods such as column addition and subtraction, and the bus stop method for division. Our class have engaged with this well, making good progress in their numerical abilities.







Our topic for PSHE this term was Dreams and Goals. We had some good discussions around their future aspirations socially, academically, and career wise.

For our outdoor learning, we focused on 'living things and their habitats' which included Noah's Ark trips to see the animals and their habitats, and a trip to Watercress Farm to see the differences in nature compared to when we last visited the farm.









We have had lots of cooking sessions this term, including burgers, chocolate chip cookies, and healthy treats for Zoe's dog, Poppy.

Blagdon have enjoyed Friday enrichment days Bowling, playing Laser tag, pool, and arcade games. They have shown great social skills during these trips, especially politeness to members of the public. We have had a blast this term, keep it up Blagdon!!

Mendip Class

As we come to the end of Term 3, I am so pleased with what we have achieved as a class. In English have worked hard and created some fantastic stories and Non-Chronological reports. In Maths we have seen some real progress from all of our students which has increased their confidence especially in our Statistics work, where we have drawn our own bar charts.





Across the wider curriculum the students have enjoyed learning about Historical Conservationists such as David Attenborough and Steve Irwin. We have also enjoyed working towards our life skills awards.

We have been lucky enough to have some fantastic regular offsite trips, including Horse Riding and Swimming. We have also continued our weekly visits to Puxton park where the students love to play in the indoor soft play and have regularly joined with others visiting as well.







All of Mendip/ Locking-Langford should feel proud of the term they have had. It has been great to see so much progress in their core learning areas as well as the friendships they are building both in and outside of school!

Have a nice Half-term!

Clevedon Class

Track Days for Clevedon

Clevedon class have been attending the Wheels karting project for a number of weeks. This fantastic programme allows our students the opportunity to attend one of the UK's top indoor go-kart tracks on a weekly basis. They are able to race 200cc karts each week and hit speeds of up to 40mph! They receive coaching from track experts with the ultimate goal of achieving the fastest lap times and qualify for the UK championship.

The whole class has had this opportunity to get involved and they have all seen significant improvements week on week. This is a huge motivator for our students and something we hope to continue throughout the rest of this year





Food Glorious Food!

Clevedon group liked their food and are great cooks.







<u>Trip Days</u>

They also turned out to be really interested in History and enjoyed the museum trip to Bristol







Blackdown Class







This term, our focus has been on the beloved book.: "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" by Roald Dahl. The learners were following the adventures of Charlie Bucket and the magical chocolate factory. Through character analysis, creative writing activities and comprehension activities, they explored themes of kindness and the consequences of greed.





In Mathematics, we have concentrated on multiplication, division, and statistics. The students have been working hard to master their multiplication tables, understand division strategies, and interpret data through charts and graphs.

We've also had many out-of-site visits, which helped to build the sense of belonging and provided opportunities for the class to work together as a team. We've visited Puxton Park and Hoah's Ark. This term, the class also participated in swimming lessons. These sessions seemed to help Blackdown class children improve swimming skills and build confidence in the water. Most of the children showed great enthusiasm and progress, making the most of this valuable opportunity to develop an important life skill.







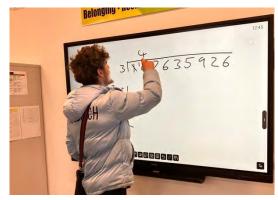
As part of our efforts to promote practical life skills, the class had a chance to engage in cooking activities. This was an excellent chance to open a discussion about safety in the kitchen, nutrition and healthy eating. Blackdown class enjoyed cooking spring rolls, macaroni cheese, risotto and Chinese noodles.

Watching Blackdown class thrive is inspiring and a powerful reminder of the potential within every individual, who, with the right support and encouragement, can achieve anything.

Seymour Class

A Focus on English and Maths

This term, in English our students have been working incredibly hard towards their NCFE Level 3 exams. They have focused themselves on preparing for their assessments, refining their speaking and listening skills, and developing their confidence in communication. Meanwhile, in Maths, students have focused on strengthening their core skills to build both independence and confidence, ensuring they have a strong foundation for future learning.





Food technology Achievements

In the kitchen, students have continued to impress with their growing independence and skill development. They have cooked a variety of recipes, including carbonara, burgers, burritos, and pizzas, showcasing their ability to follow instructions and experiment with flavours. Their enthusiasm and willingness to push themselves have been fantastic to see.







Unit Awards Success

There has been a strong focus on Unit Awards this term, giving students the opportunity to gain certificates in a wide range of courses, including life skills, understanding emotions, health and social care, food cookery, and exploring local historical sites. Students have had the chance to complete unit awards each week, with some now having achieved over ten Unit Awards.

Learning Beyond the Classroom

This term has also been packed with enriching experiences outside the traditional classroom setting. Students have participated in a range of activities such as MMA sessions, mentoring drives, and college introductions, helping them prepare for the next steps in their education and personal growth. They have also explored local historical sites, broadening their knowledge and appreciation of the world around them.







We are delighted to see increased effort and a more positive attitude towards learning in this class, and we look forward to their continued success in the months ahead.

Weston Class

We are excited to share an overview of the amazing progress Team Weston have made during Term 3!

This term, we've been focusing on both analogue and digital time, as well as using functional maths skills to solve money problems. The group has made great progress when working with coins and notes, and they are now beginning to apply this knowledge to think about budgeting for items they want to buy. Weston have also been collaborating on literacy activities as a group and the class has demonstrated impressive creativity in generating exciting adjectives to describe scenarios.

This term, Weston has been enjoying visits to the Bristol Cycling Centre, where they have had the opportunity to try out different bikes, including a handcycle. All students have worked on improving their balance, particularly on the balance boards at the centre. We've been encouraging students to ask for what they need to build confidence in speaking to unfamiliar people in an appropriate way.





We have begun to work on emotional regulation as a separate lesson. It is so important to understand what is happening in our brain when we feel overwhelming feelings and understand that all our responses are natural, and we can control them to a certain extent. We have also been doing lots of sensory art, fizzy slime was a favourite despite it being very messy!





We have had two new class assistants this term, Jess and Jess, which means we are a very rhyming class. They have settled in well and formed great relationships with the students.

I am very proud of the progress of all students this term; everyone is spending more time in the classroom, and they've all shown significant growth in engaging with their learning and developing their individual interests. It's been a great term, and we look forward to seeing even more progress in the future!

Thank you for your continued support.



Banwell Class

Another term is nearly over as we say goodbye to gloomy mornings and hello to more daylight! Banwell class have excelled themselves this term with all the learning they have been doing. In English, we have focused our learning around a book called 'What it's like to be a bird.' This is a book with reports about 20 different birds. There are beautiful illustrations, creative writing and facts in the book. The class have enjoyed learning about different birds and produced their own wonderful reports as their writing outcome.









We have focused on developing our skills in addition and subtraction in maths, using a range of methods such as number lines and column methods. We have also looked at pictograms and bar graphs, understanding how to interpret data from them, but also how to collect data and draw them for ourselves.

We have had some lovely trips this term, where we have had lots of fun and developed our sense of belonging. The class get on so well together and have lots of fun. We have been to Puxton Park a few times, where they often play tag and nag the adults to join in! We have also been to Ninja Warrior, the Helicopter Museum, Clevedon beach and Air Hop. It is lovely watching the class

spend time together, laughing and playing.











We also make sure that we have many opportunities to develop our social skills. As a class, all the children can take turns, have 2 way conversations and play together. These are some photos to celebrate the relationships the children have.





Banwell Class

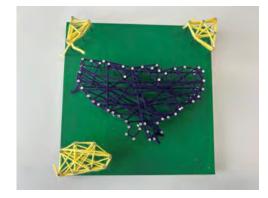
Banwell class love to cook. And this term has been no different. We have made a range of dishes including stir fry, sausage rolls, spring rolls and macaroni cheese. They all have been delicious.

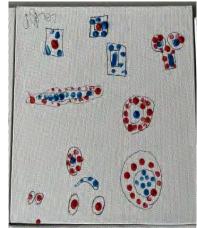




We have also completed quite a lot of art and DT this term. The children have made pictures using nail art, dot paintings on canvas, bird boxes and sculptures using Modroc- very creative!







Every member of Banwell team should feel proud of the term they have had. It has been great to see so much progress in the academic and social and emotional learning. Thank you to all families for their ongoing support.

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Term Dates

Term 4

First Day of Term for Students - Tuesday 25th February 2025 Last Day of Term for Students - Thursday 3rd April 2025

Inset Dates

Monday 24th February 2025

Friday 4th April 2025

Term 5

First Day of Term for Students - Tuesday 22nd April 2025 Last Day of Term for Students - Friday 23rd May 2025

Bank Holidays

Monday 21st April 2025

Monday 5th May 2025

Please click on this link for the full years term dates

