

The Owl - April 2023



Getting out and about

We had a very successful off site visit to London with Bysouth and Layton Class. When we plan trips, one aim is to give the children experiences which cannot be achieved on site at school. I know that Bysouth Class were very excited just to go to London, linked to their geography work about the United Kingdom. Being able to bring science and geography on such a big scale to the children makes learning so memorable. Layton Class' knowledge of rocks, earthquakes and volcanoes was put to great use in the exhibits.



Reactions to the earthquake simulator demonstrated how well it brought learning to life.

I don't think Layton Class will move near to a fault line any time soon!



The children had a wonderful day and represented the school beautifully. Huge thanks to Miss Wilson for organising the day so well.

An off-site visit for Jackson class is next, look out for more details soon!

DIARY DATES

May 2023

1st Bank holiday - school closed

1st May Fayre in Priory Gardens - Design-A-Crown competition 2.50pm

3rd Maypole dancing workshop (all classes) as part of our Coronation celebrations

4th NSPCC assembly – Speak out, stay safe



5th Coronation tea party

8th Bank holiday (King's Coronation) – school closed

15th Walk to School Week

17th Jackson Class farm visit

19th Jackson Class assembly 2.45pm



26th Whole school photograph

26th FoRS movie night

29th Half term



June 2023

5th INSET Day (School closed to pupils)

6th FoRS meeting on Google Meet (all welcome)

9th Years 1, 2, 3, 4 Cross-country at Anstey First School

15th Clean Air Thursday

29th Years 1, 2, 3, 4 Cross-country at Reed First School

July 2023

6th Summer performance (whole school) 2pm

7th Summer performance (whole school) 2pm

13th Transition Day

14th End of year written reports out

14th Open Afternoon 1.30pm

14th Layton Class campout 5.30pm – 8.00am

21st Final celebration and Leavers' assembly 12.45pm

21st Term ends 2pm



What we would like to say about our day out...

I really liked learning about the history of all of the creatures that we saw. The minerals were beautiful. It was interesting to find out how they were formed.

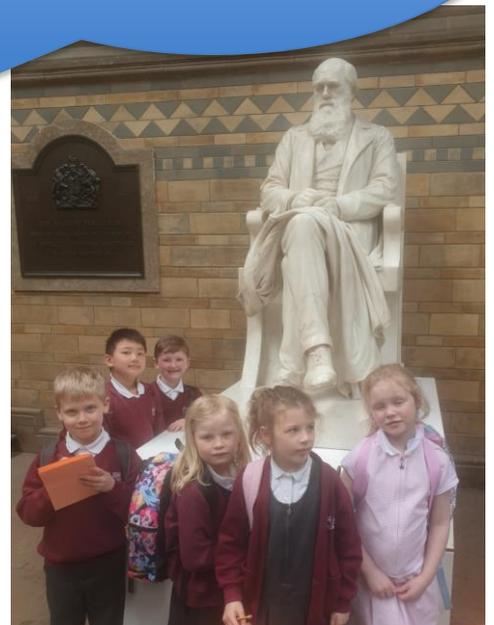
Henry

I really enjoyed learning the fascinating facts about dinosaurs, for example they lived amongst mammoths. The best exhibit was the mammals - I loved the blue whale.

Grace

I enjoyed finding out about human evolution. The simulators were cool and made me realise how it would feel to be in an earthquake.

Dilan



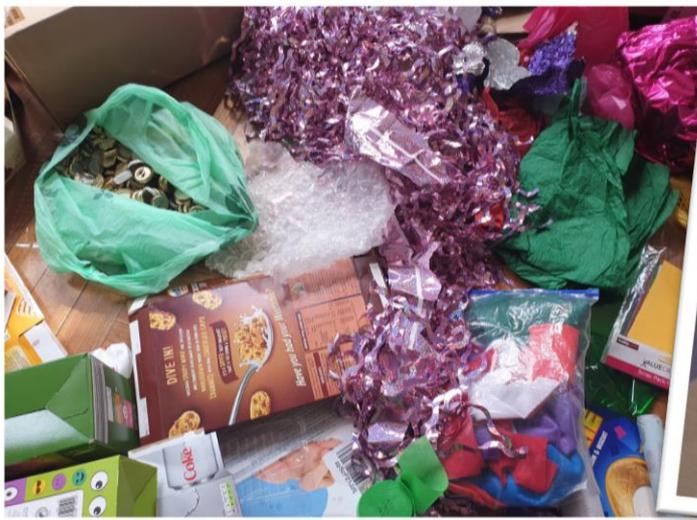
Getting ready for another memorable event



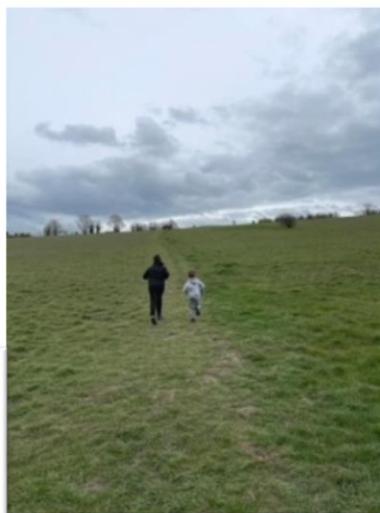
The last few years have seen us living through some historic and memorable events. We may well be asked by future generations what it was like to live through a pandemic, how we celebrated the longest reigning monarch, how we felt to say goodbye... By taking part in events to mark the coronation of the king, we are bringing history to life and including the children in historic events.

The children were thrilled to dive into a mountain of treasure (a huge collection of recycling) in the hall and use their skills to produce wonderful crowns fit for a king or queen.

The children researched crowns, planned their own, used skills of cutting, joining and finishing. The overwhelming observation though was the high levels of independence shown.



Thank you from FoRS



FoRS set you a challenge to think of a sponsored event to raise £20.23 for 2023. How imaginative you were!

Thank you to all of those who took part showing aspiration to continue to make our school an even better place by raising a fantastic £458.28!

And finally...

Walk to School Week
15th - 19th May 2023
Clean Air Day
15th June 2023



During Walk to School Week we will be encouraging the children to use active modes of transport to get to school. This can be walking, cycling, scooting, wheeling or parking and striding. The children will record methods of travel on a themed collage displayed in school. This Walk to School Week project is designed to be a fun team building activity while giving more thought to our health and the environment. There will be house points for children who make positive changes to the way they come to school. This will also include children who always walk or scoot but may choose to be even more active and maybe jog instead!

Clean air Thursday in June will celebrate the difference we have made using cars less and our own active and eco- friendly ways of getting here.