



# The Greysbrooke Grapevine

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022

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## Welcome Back!



Welcome back to the summer term! I hope you all had a wonderful break and enjoyed the glorious sunshine.

It was certainly a very busy end to last term, especially during the last week...

We had a PE enrichment day which involved every year group taking part in a sport called VX Ball. It is best described as a variation on dodgeball involving plastic scoops. Children really enjoyed this and the concentration and competitiveness was clear to see as they were playing.

Our Rocksteady children from Y3-Y6 took part in 2 concerts on one afternoon! First, they performed and entertained children and staff from all years. Then, we were delighted to welcome parents back into school for our first musical performance in over 2 years. The children were fabulous and certainly faced their fears of performing to the masses; it was wonderful for them to share the skills that they have developed and the music selection was very varied and included songs from Katy Perry, Sia, Rag 'n' Bone Man and Magic Dragons. Well done to all the children who took part and thanks to Adam from Rocksteady for all his hard work with teaching and putting the performances together.

Despite the weather preventing the Easter parade on the last day of term, children came together in the hall to share and celebrate the wonderful creations they had made. Thank you and well done to everyone who took part in the Easter Bonnet and Basket competition, the entries were all fabulous and Rev Jo certainly had a tough job selecting the winners.

Congratulations to our Easter Bonnet and Basket winners who were:



Reception: Ella & Stanley M  
Year 1: Grace & Rosa  
Year 2: Scarlett & Phoebe  
Year 3: Madison & Henry  
Year 4: Isabella & Tessa  
Year 5: Toby & Kit  
Year 6: Annabelle & Daisy



## Exciting News!

I am delighted to share with you that Miss Saxton and her fiancé are expecting their first baby, who is due to arrive in August 2022. Miss Saxton is aiming to remain in work until the end of the academic year and then will be embarking on maternity leave. I'm sure you'll join me in congratulating her and her fiancé on this exciting news and wish them all the very best for the future.



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## Ukraine Fundraising Success

Thanks to Ted and Mrs Darlaston's amazing efforts and hard work, we are thrilled to announce that the amount raised for our Ukraine fundraiser at the end of term was over £600. We are very grateful and proud of Ted for the passion and commitment he showed to driving these events and making them so successful - WELL DONE TED, you're a super star!



## Lost Property

If you are missing a pair of glasses, please call into the school office - they were handed into us yesterday.

## Important Dates

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April - Y6 Borreaton Park final instalment due  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May - Bank Holiday - School Closed  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May - Y3/Y4 Residential Trip to Ingestre Hall  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - No Drama Club  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May - FROGS Duck Race  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May - SATs Week  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May - Young Voices Club  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May - Young Voices Club  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May - Young Voices Concert at Resorts World Arena  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Bikeability (Y4/Y5)  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Bikeability (Y5)  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May - FROGS Movie Night  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May - School closes for half term  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June - School reopens



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## Learning Updates

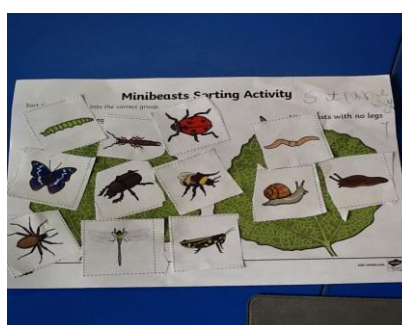
### Reception



Our topic last half term was 'Mini-beasts'. We went on a mini-beast hunt and found lots of insects in our local environment. We really enjoyed using our craft skills to paint these lady birds. We also used collage skills to make these butterflies. They looked fantastic on our topic wall.



We made these caterpillars by writing the letters of our names on each of the caterpillar's body sections.



Our water tray became a home for mini-beasts, we really enjoyed bug hunting. We had to count how many ants, spiders, beetles, wasps and flies we could find.





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We had good fun on our raise money for the Ukraine day, we wore blue and yellow to show our support.



To celebrate Easter we had an 'Easter Egg Hunt' on the field, we had great fun running as fast as we could to find as many eggs as possible!



Unfortunately due to the poor weather conditions we were unable to share our amazing Easter Bonnets with our parents, here is a picture of us in the hall. We really enjoyed showing the rest of the school our fantastic bonnets!

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## Year 1

Year 1 have certainly had a really busy end to their Spring Term. They have all taken part in Easter themed craft with the Messy Church, the Easter Bonnet Parade, the amazing Easter Egg Hunt and Andy Warhol inspired printing with Kate Brinkworth.

Year 1 would like to say a huge **THANK YOU** to all the fantastic people that gave up their time to make our final week amazing.



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## Year 2

Congratulations to our two Easter Bonnet winners and well done to all the children that entered the competition, your bonnets were amazing! Thank you for the support you showed for our Yellow and Blue day and special thanks go to Poppy who spent some of her own time creating loom band bracelets which she sold to the class to add to the money that was raised - what a lovely idea Poppy!



At the end of our Art topic last half term we created some fantastic prints using print blocks we made. The results were amazing and Mrs Wharton and Mrs Suter can't wait to get them up on display!



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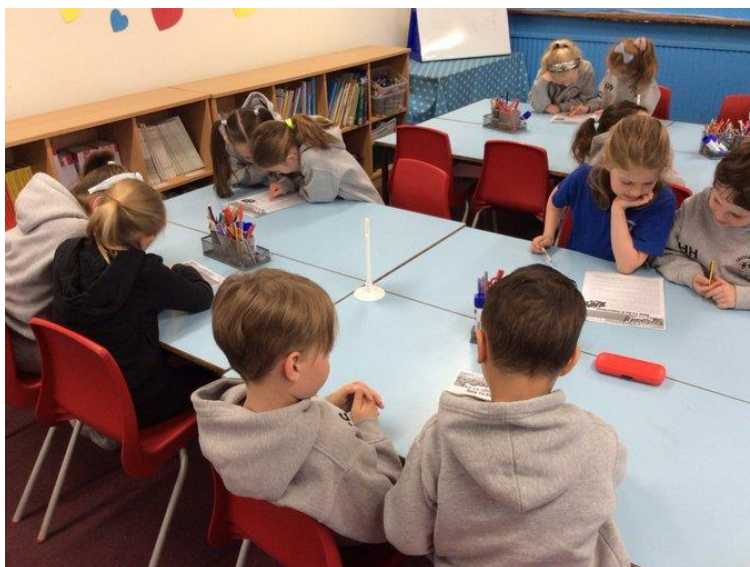


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This week we have been working very hard on our reading, we have been focusing on comprehension, vocabulary and prosody.



This half term we will be learning about Nelson Mandela's life in our History lessons, we will be making purses for DT, in PE we will be working on our net and wall ball skills as well as learning how to play Tri Golf and in Science we will be looking at living things and their habitats. We are looking forward to a busy half term!

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