



Hawley Newspaper Club

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Edition 5

We have combined the April and May editions of Hawley Newspaper due to the 2-week Easter break.

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Bye Bye Bubbles!

By Dorian J



After the Easter holidays, the bubbles which have separated groups of the school for over 2 whole years are finally going to be no more! It started 2 years ago when Covid struck and the current year 6s were in year 4. The school was separated into Reception, Year 1 and 2, Year 3 and 4 and Year 5 and 6.

As our country started giving out vaccines last year, our bubbles have become bigger. However, the next lockdown stopped us from being with other year groups again. We still had to stay in our bubbles, which meant that there was no playing with younger children or even siblings in younger groups continued. School felt different, but we had to follow the rules.

Now in April and May there are no more bubbles. We can all be together as a school again. The Year 6 students can play with their Year R buddies again. Play time is like what it was 2 years ago!

Seal Classroom Renovations

By Aadita S

During the Half-term, Seals Class had knocked down an entire wall to make the classroom bigger. We spoke to Mrs Lody and Mrs Phillips about it. Mrs Phillips is the teacher in Seal class. She spends the most time in the classroom.

Mrs Phillips said "The work was done over the Easter holidays to make the classroom bigger, brighter and lighter." The renovations were completed while the children were at home so it was a good way of making sure no one got hurt and the children were away from the room. Mrs Phillips added that she liked what the room looked like after the renovation.

We asked Mrs Lody how long the renovations took. "The work took 10 days to do. The companies that worked to renovate the wall were TEW brothers and 4 other different companies" she said.

The classroom is bigger and better now. The children have more space to work.



Hawley Choir Attends the Young Voices

By Dorian J



On Tuesday 26th of April, 33 children in the Hawley choir went to Wembley Arena in London to perform alongside 4000 more children for an event called Young Voices. We had a very long, but enjoyable day as we travelled by coach to London. We arrived at school at the normal time. We left Hawley at around 11:00 am and did not get back until close to midnight. It was a very busy day. When all the schools were seated in Wembley Arena, we rehearsed our songs all together. We sounded amazing!

Our school sat in a block of seats together. We sang songs called Sing From Your Heart, Power in Me, O Fortuna and Mambo Italiano. We also sang a pop medley, Muppet songs, Lion King songs, and songs by the Beatles! The choir was ran by Miss Wilson.

Golf Tournament

By Vlad C

On Tuesday 3rd of May, Hawley Primary joined a golf tournament held for different schools. It spanned from 3:25pm to 4:25pm. Hawley Primary School had 6 children playing in the event. Hawley gained 146 points, however the scores of the other schools are unknown as we didn't stay for too long for the end results. There were multiple activities to participate in, such as putting the golf ball into a cone and trying to stop the ball from going out of a zone. The teacher that accompanied us was Mrs Spilsbury. She cheered us on during the whole tournament. It was great fun and we had a blast doing it.



Netball Club

By Aadita S

I interviewed Isobel B, who is part of the netball team at Hawley. They recently played in a tournament. Isobel said that the netball game took place on the 6th of April at Westfield Jr School. It was held from 3:30 until 5:30. Hawley played a tournament between 3 opposing schools. There are 5 players per team on court and 2 teams per game. Each player has their own role. The roles are Centre, Goal Attack, Goal Shooter, Goal Keeper and Goal Defence. They have practiced at school and Miss Wilson is the coach for them. They have special bibs and although they have not been to a match for a long time, they are getting pretty good. Hawley came second place in the netball tournament. Congratulations Team Hawley!

KS1 Goes to Blue Reef Aquarium

By Marnie R Leonie M and Lily C

Key Stage 1 went to the Blue Reef Aquarium. We boarded a coach from school in the morning. When met a guide from the aquarium. Her name was Louise. She told us about the sting rays and all the different types of sharks. We saw different size of fish. We saw a big turtle that can go on land and sea. We also saw tiny sea horses. We went to the aquarium because our topic is called Under the Sea. The aquarium was really exciting. It was not very big, but we saw lots and lots of fish. Best of all, we saw Dory and Nemo from the movie.



Easter Fun at Hawley

By Lucas Mo, Zara I and Isla R

The month of April gave us Easter fun at Hawley. On Thursday 7th of April, Hawley Primary School went to our local church. During the church service, we sang Easter songs called 'Hip Hip Hurray' and 'I'm a Spring Chicken'. Canon Perry shared with us the story of Jesus and the Last Supper. He also talked about how Jesus died. We found out that Jesus didn't want to be king so the people put him up on a big cross and left him there until he died. On Easter Sunday, we celebrate Jesus's death and how he came back to life. He came back to life again because people loved him so much and God brought him back to life.

After the service, we went back to school. At school, we found out that in France, the bells in church grow wings the night before Easter. The bells fly to Rome so that they blessed. On Easter the bells return to France with chocolate eggs and ribbon. Here in England, we celebrate Easter by eating chocolate eggs and having fun with our family. We eat hot cross buns and have a special dinner on Easter Sunday. Sometimes children go looking for Easter eggs either inside or outside our houses.



On the last day of term, we celebrated Easter at school with the Easter Hat parade. All the children walked around the playground wearing their hats. Our grown ups stayed and watched the parade on the playground. It was so much fun seeing everyone's hats. We also had other Easter activities with our classes, such as having an Easter egg hunt!

Travel Tracker

By Lucas Ma

During the school year, it is a good idea for children to walk to school. Walking to school is a good way to keep healthy, but it is also good for the environment. A lot of children walk to school every day. There are some children who live further away and it is very difficult for them to walk to school. Instead of driving all the way to school, the children can ask their parents to park away from the school and walk the rest of the way. This is called 'park and stride'. Each day we come into class, we tap the icon on the screen which shows how you travelled to school that day. We can choose from driving, cycling, scooting, park and stride, walking or by bus. Every month, we get badges that you can put on your jumper or cardigan to show if you've walked to school for a certain amount. You can also get a badge even if you pick 'park and stride'. There are many animal badges including polar bears, wild cats, otters and butterflies.



Rainbow Disco

By Beth S and Isabelle T

Hawley Primary had our Rainbow Disco on Thursday, the 7th April. It is when all the year groups come separately to dance and play games in the hall. EYFS started the disco at 2:00 pm. Year

1&2 followed. Then, year 3&4 had their disco, ending with Year 5&6 in the early evening. Everyone will get dressed up in rainbow colours and took part in musical activities. Our teachers were there to join in the fun. We also had an awesome DJ, who played songs we liked. We were given crisps and drinks as snacks during the disco. It was a great event. We hope we can do it all again.

May Day

By Lily C

In May, we have a bank holiday. We celebrate spring coming back into our life. The holiday is called May Day. It is normally celebrated on the 1st Monday in May. Children make paper baskets and they put flowers in it. They get dressed up and sometimes they put flowers on their heads. They dance around the big pole using ribbons. It is called a maypole. It looks like a lot of fun to do.



Sea Creatures in Danger

By Evie O and Maria O



Years 3 and 4 have been studying sea creatures and natural wonder this half term. We found out that there are a lot of different sea creatures. It is not just fish that live underwater. Some of them are very fascinating. Did you know that when a squid gets scared, it blows out ink from its bottom? If you touch a sting ray's tail, you can get stung by its tail and it will really hurt. Sea turtles are one of the most endangered animals in the entire Ocean. People pollute the ocean by putting plastic and other types of rubbish in the sea. We think that because

the rubbish is in the water, we don't have to worry about it anymore. Unfortunately, turtles need to be in water, but they don't know that there is plastic that can harm them. The plastic can get trapped around their heads and kill them. More and more animals are becoming endangered because of how we pollute the water. This means that the animals might die. To find out more about sea creatures and the endangered animals that live underwater, you can also visit the World Wildlife Fund's (WWF) website.

Natural Wonder

By Mateo T

In year 4, we have been learning about natural wonder. Do you ever think about how plants change during each season? In spring, buds start to grow. In summer, the buds turn into flowers. In autumn, the trees lose all their leaves. In winter, the trees get covered in snow. Because it's spring we're going to talk about what happens in this season. The flowers start growing and flowering. The buds begin to come out of branches and flower shoots come from the ground. The leaves are starting to grow and they are all different shades of green. Our gardens look lovely at this time of the year. If you smell the flowers in springtime, they would smell good. Spring is good for the bees because in spring, flowers grow and in the flowers is pollen. With the pollen, the bees make honey. Spring is an exciting time because it is a sign of things coming back to life, just like Easter!



Runways End

Year 1 and 2's Go To Runways End

By Keeva L and Daisy M; edited by Vlad

Key Stage 1 had a great day visiting Runways End in May. Instead of going to school, our parents took us to Runways End. We met our teachers there. It was fun spending time outdoors. The activities were great. First, we climbed a giant climbing wall. It looked scary at first, but we did it. After that, we went caving. We wore helmets with flashlights on to help us see in the dark. We also had to wear these cool coveralls. We got hungry after that so luckily, we stopped and had a break for lunch.

After lunch, we went shelter building with ropes and bags. We were tested our shelters to see how well it would stand up. It was a fun day at Runways End.



Year 4's Runways End Residential

By: Ella Andrews

Runways End was fun because when we were doing caving I hit my head a million times which was very funny! We were shown where we were staying and who we were sharing our room with. On the first day we had team-work challenges like flipping a mat over when we were all standing on it and getting the ball into the bucket; all whilst it was raining. Then, we had orienteering where we used a map to find numbers and letters, it was a real challenge. In the evening, we had a camp fire made by Miss Still, Ms Gelsthorpe and Miss Cansdale. We all toasted marshmallows and made s'mores. The next day we did low ropes. We had to get Mr Happy to the end of each course but when we had Mr Happy we had to stay still. We made it through like pros. After, we had canoeing which we got splashed a little, but it was really fun. Miss Cansdale, Emily and I worked as a team to get from one end of the canal to the other; we also played a few games in our boats. Then, we went back to our lodge, had a chill and then we had lunch. We had a selection of cheese or ham sandwiches. After, we did some climbing it was fun! Our team had to keep us up by holding the safety ropes. When we wanted to come down they would release the rope slowly. Afterwards, we had archery which we weren't experts at, but I liked it as we learnt how to hold a bow and how to shoot the arrows as well as all the things we needed to know. On the last day, we had shelter building and caving. In shelter building, we made our shelter out of things we found around us such as: wood, trees, leaves and stones. The instructors also gave us a material to use as a cover. After we finished building our shelters, we all went inside them and the teachers tested if they were water proof. Most of them were not and some of us got a bit wet. I think the teachers enjoyed pouring water onto us! In caving, I hit my head a million times but it was fun! I loved when they let us explore the cave on our own. I found a really tight spot but I managed to squeeze through it. My favourite activity was caving.

