

Vale of Evesham School

Newsletter - Christmas 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

The school council and ECO warriors would like to wish you a very Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We have been very busy this Autumn term as you will see from this Newsletter. It was lovely to welcome you all in person to our Harvest Festival and a huge THANK YOU for all the gifts given to support a local charity 'Caring Hands' based in Evesham.

There have been lots of sporting events where The Vale of Evesham Teams have done very well indeed.

The School Council and ECO Warriors have also raised money for Beckford Rehabilitation Animal Hospital by doing a sponsored silence. A big THANK YOU to all who took part and those who sponsored them.

As a school we were very happy to welcome you all back for our Christmas Coffee Morning, it was so nice to see so many of you there.

The Christmas shoe box appeal was supported by the Vale of Evesham School and some of the boxes filled will go to Ukraine this year.

We are taking part in the Evesham Christmas Tree Exhibition this year so please go down and see our tree at All Saints Church, Evesham from the 10th to the 30th December 2022.

We hope you enjoy this newsletter and we look forward to seeing you in Spring Term 2023.

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School Council Chairperson



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Battleton Class Music Making



Battleton class have had a wonderful time working with Gareth to learn all about the different musical instruments and the families they belong to. All students took it in turns to experiment with the instruments. We used keyboards, a violin, a double bass and drums.



We set up our own DJ booth to play records on a turntable! We have some natural DJ's practicing their scratching skills in Battleton class!



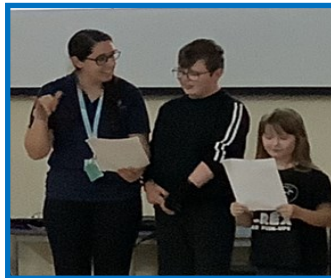


Harvest Festival 2022



It was wonderful for the friends and family of the Vale of Evesham School to be able to join us to celebrate this years' Harvest festival on the 20th October 2022.

Middle school, High school and Sixth Form joined together to present to us a variety of music, dance and singing to enjoy. It was lovely to hear Mr Grew playing the piano and for the first time we heard the fantastic 'Valers', our newly formed school band, as well as our school choir, perform for us.



Diane, from caring Hands, was very grateful for all of the donations provided from pupils, their families and carers, we were amazed by everyone's generosity.

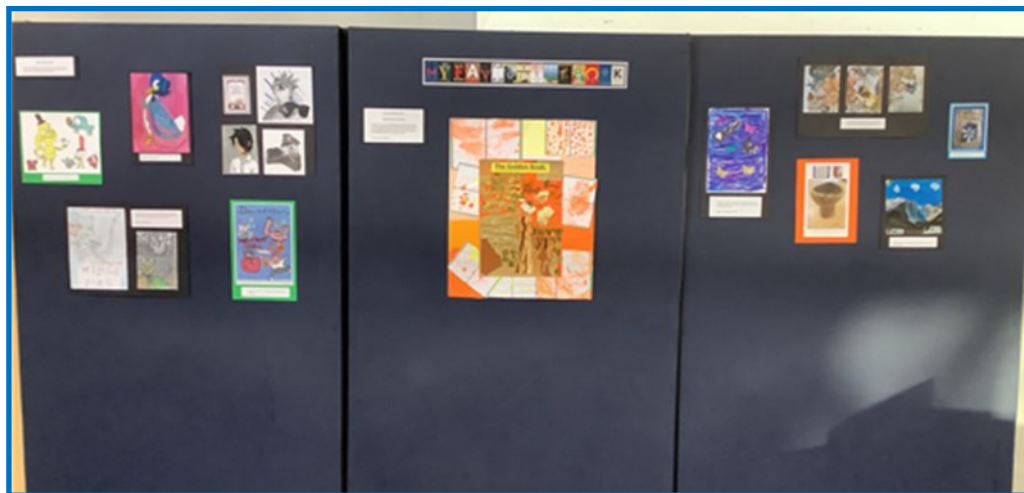


Evesham Library Exhibition

In November we celebrated our love of books at Evesham Library.

Students from across the school created a fantastic range of art inspired by their favourite books for an art display at Evesham Library. The display included a huge Golden Book to represent how we like to share good news in school.

First School students created their own version of *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*, *We're Going on A Lion Hunt*. We look forward to more exhibitions next year.



Hockey Tournament

Battleton class did the Vale of Evesham School proud at a hockey tournament held at De Montfort School recently. They played four different mainstream schools in the local area who all proved tough competition.

Our team worked together and respected all the players on the pitch. They showed everyone what good sportspeople look like and shook hands with the opposition after each match. Nicky Gregg and the class team were so, so proud of each player and will look forward to taking them to future sporting events.



Morrison's

A massive thank you to Morrison's community ladies for their donation for our student's mini relay.

Morrison's are always happy to support us and yet again gave us a lovely box of goodies.



Severn Arts Music

We have had Zac Mitchell from Severn Arts Music in school doing sessions with our students, with the sessions they have formed a band together, while having the opportunity to experiment with different musical equipment such as guitars, drums from around the world, wooden instruments and much more.

Myself and the students would like to say a big THANK YOU to Zac for taking the time to come into school to spend time with our students, and letting them explore different genres of music. Also THANK YOU to all the students who came to the sessions it was really enjoyable seeing you all participating in something new.

Here are a few photos from the session:



Larry Came to Visit

On Thursday 17th November, Arrow class had a very exciting visitor, Larry the leopard shell tortoise.

Larry came to visit to fit in with our rainforest topic. The children handled him, fed him and learnt lots of facts about him. The children were amazing with Larry and asked some amazing questions.

Larry is a non-hibernating tortoise which sparked some brilliant conversation, he is 21 years old and the children loved that he could live to over 100 years old.

The news soon spread and we had visits off both staff and pupils from all over the school.



Both the children and adults really enjoyed Larry coming to visit, we learnt all about how to feed him/ what he eats, his lifestyle and how old/big he can grow. We are hoping Larry can visit again soon.

Arrow Class

This term, Arrow class have been learning about the work and style of French animalier sculptor François Pompon.

The children used a variety of materials and textures to produce their own animal sculptures.

Firstly, we collected a load of recycled packaging to junk model our favourite animal.

We later had a go at sculpting our own spider out of foil film following an online tutorial.

Look at these amazing master pieces!



Poppy Appeal 2022

This year members of our school council have been around school daily selling poppies and other items from the poppy appeal to the students and staff members. They have learnt about the story behind why we sell poppies and where the money goes that we have raised. In art lessons two of our year groups (De Montfort, Morris and Isbourne) have made their own poppies and remembrance posters to go on display in our main reception.



Thank you to our school council and everyone who brought a poppy and donated what they could to help support the Poppy Appeal. Thank you to all the students who have shared their art work for the display.

