



PRESTON BULLETIN



'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full' John 10:10

Friday 17 March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children in both schools have been extremely busy with lots of scientific investigation work to mark British Science Week.

On Monday, it was fantastic to welcome Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 from Saxlingham at Preston. Grasshoppers and Hedgehogs welcomed Jessica Johnson from the University of East Anglia, and found out how Scientists communicate information when there is an earthquake or volcanic eruption. Caterpillars, Year 5 Dragonflies and Year 5 Owls were joined by a team of Scientists, an Artist and a Writer. They investigated the microorganisms living in the clover on the school grounds, and produced some poetry and artwork based on their Scientific learning. It was lovely to see children from both schools learning side-by-side.

Next week will be another busy week with the Hilltop residential. We know that the Year 5 and Year 6 children are very much looking forward to it!

Yours sincerely,
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Tas Valley Church Schools Federation

DIARY DATES

20-22 March	Year 5/6 to Hilltop
Friday 24 March	FOPPS Easter Bingo
Tuesday 28 March	Year 2 to Tas Valley CC
Wednesday 29 March	R/Y1/Y2 to Time and Tide Museum
Thursday 30 March	Federation Hinduism Day

Save the date:
FOPPS Disco
Friday 12th May



PARENT SURVEY

Thank you to everyone who has completed the parent questionnaire, If you have yet to do so, the survey is still open and available at: <https://forms.gle/bbSPc747sXPot6C7>

The survey will close on Monday 20th March.

GARDENING CLUB

Gardening Club will start on Thursday 20th April. It will run every Thursday throughout the summer term from 3.15-4.15PM. If your child would like to attend, please sign up through the office.



BIKEABILITY

Well done to the Year 5 and Year 6 children who completed their Bikeability training this week. The instructors and children had to endure all weathers: wind, rain, sleet, fog and sunshine—but the children worked really hard to develop their cycling skills and awareness of road safety.



COMIC RELIEF

Pupils and staff are welcome to attend school in non-school uniform in support of Comic Relief on Friday 17th March. Donations can be made via our JustGiving site: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/tasvalleyfederation-1678201784347>



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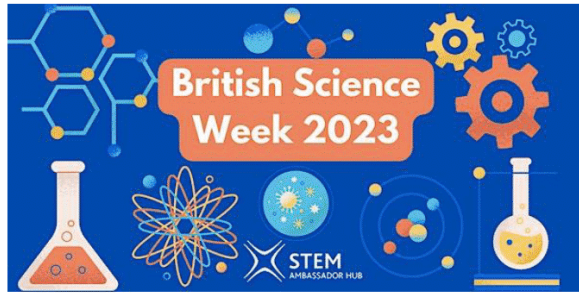
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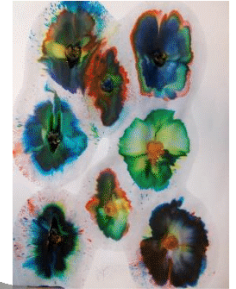
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On Monday, a Science, Art and Writing team came in to visit the children in Years 4 and 5 from both schools. The team consisted of four scientists, a professional writer and an artist. The children spent the day learning about the micro-organisms that live in the roots of clover within the school grounds and then did some poetry and art inspired by the science session.



Jessica Johnson from the UEA came in to work with the year 3's to find out about how scientists communicate when studying volcanoes and earthquakes. Grasshopper Class also investigated bridges and used a range of resources in groups to design the strongest bridge.



Ladybird and Bumblebee Classes worked together to create chemical reactions this week. They have also worked with our Science Ambassadors on a range of small science activities.

Year 6 children spent some time exploring exoplanets and then producing their own 3D designs. They also took a virtual tour of the International Space Station- identifying a range of tools which were used and how they were designed to suit space travel.



Fopps Easter bingo

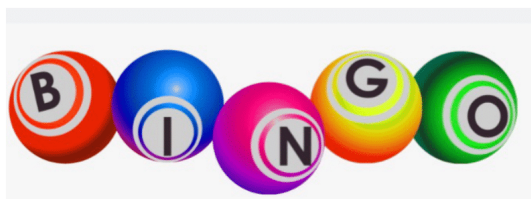
Friday 24th March 2023

Lots of Easter eggs to be won!



Limited places available so save the date

Watch this space for more details to follow...



SALVATION ARMY RECYCLE WITH MICHAEL

Having a spring clean? FOPPS are taking part in the Salvation Army's Recycle with Michael scheme. Please hold on to any unwanted clothing /shoes/bedcovers/curtains etc as we will be sending home bags for you to fill with these unwanted items. These will be collected from school and recycled to raise money for the Salvation Army and FOPPS. More details to follow...