Our highlights from this Autumn term 1 2020

What an extraordinary, unusually quick half term, I cannot believe we are nearing November! Having each year group back under one roof has been simply brilliant. The children over this half term have demonstrated immense perseverance and have embraced every challenge. Our zoom celebration assemblies that bring us all together truly reflect this and the work we have seen so far this year has been fantastic.

I just want to add, the school staff have once again been amazing, continuing to go above and beyond on a daily basis. I am very grateful to them all and know the children are too.

Finally to all of our pupils, enjoy spending time as a family, read lots, also remember that random act of kindness, it goes along way!

Attached are just some highlights 'a snap shot' of this terms learning.





Mr Mallott



We have started Jabadaeo!



We are creative and imaginative.



We have made new friends and got to know our grownups.









We are learning about numbers, patterns and shapes.

We have been settling in to school...





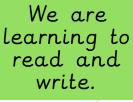


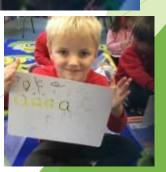


We explore inside and outside.











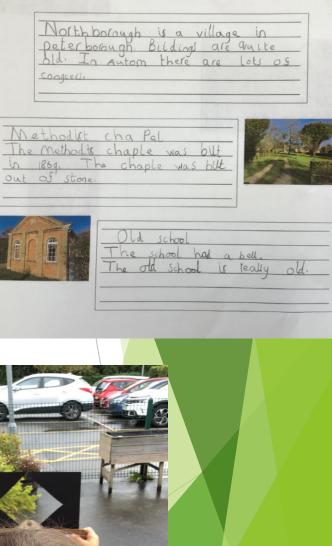
Year 1 – Elder Class

We have had such a brilliant start to our year! We have been busy making bug hotels, learning about the United Kingdom and looking at numbers to 20 in maths!

Year 2 - Holly Class



The first topic of this academic year has been 'Here We Are: Our Local **Area.'** We began by going on a walk around Northborough and learnt many facts from our tour guides Miss Parsonage and Mrs. Belson! Once back at school we spent time putting all we had learnt into a non-chronological report as well as sorting the physical and human features we had seen. We also created a bar chart of the different types of houses in which we live. In art, we made viewfinders and completed a sketch from our garden. What a fantastic start to the year!



Year 3 - Sycamore class have gone back to the Stone Age!

We have been finding out about how Stone Age people lived their lives. We have been amazed to see the developments over the millions of years we have been around. We went down the road to the site of the Time Team dig to see the landscape that our ancestors lived in, and how it has changed.

We are really looking forward to our Stone Age day in the Orchard; foraging, tracking, cooking, using our clay beakers we made, grinding wheat into flour and building shelters.

We have enjoyed discussing whether we think woolly mammoths should be cloned from DNA scientists have

found recently. What do you think? Is it right to do some thing just because you can?

Our home learning has been great too. Look at Riley's stone age tools. We have also been learning how to play the ukulele. So far, we sound fab!

> What a GREAT start to the year!



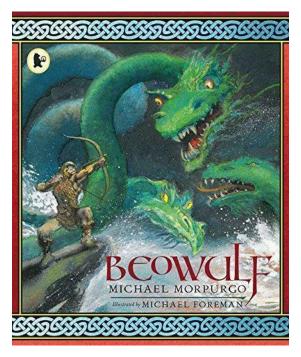


Hawthorn Class Year 4

Year 4 have really enjoyed our work on the Anglo-Saxons this term. We loved doing written work based on the Beowulf story and read Michael Morpurgo's version together.

We learned about life in an Anglo-Saxon village and worked really hard to built our own Saxon-style wood-frame houses.





We enjoyed sharing ourfantastic home learning on the Saxons and the Vikings.





We have enjoyed doing hockey, in PE, especially when Sports Leaders from AMVC came and helped us run a tournament. We have kick started year 5 with a bang and travelled back around 4000 years to the mysterious and captivating times of the Ancient Egyptians. From measuring out the height of the pyramids, to transforming ourselves into pharaohs, learning all of the gory details of mummification and making our very own clay Canopic jars we have fully delved into the history of Egypt. Year 5 were excellent during their hockey session from AMVC and show cased their skills that they have been learning in our weekly P.E. sessions. We have written some fantastic pieces of work so far, I especially enjoyed their mysterious newspaper reports and fantastic setting descriptions. Ash class have also zoomed into space and learnt lots about our solar system, how the Earth moves and all about day and night. I have been utterly blown away with the first time and know that the rest of the year will be just as excellent.

Year 5 – Ash Class

Year 6 Willow Class



Recently, as a school focus we have been writing letters pretending to be Mr Toad from Wind in the Willows, using the Musical Theatre for inspiration.





Hockey has been this term's PE focus and of course we had our tournament session with AMVC to consolidate and apply our skills.



This term, Willow Class (Year 6) have been finding out the reasons for the start of WW2. We have written nonfiction texts about this, then challenged ourselves to write scripts for a news report. They were brilliant! More recently we have been writing descriptively about the Blitz, using clips for inspiration.

> News Flash!



Science has been learning about how we see and how shadows are formed. Check out our spaghetti beams of light.



Thank you all; we raised £120.86 for The Mustard Seed Project, whilst thinking about how we can stop racism.

Out in the orchard

Y2 Understanding the words in the Lord's prayer and valuing difference.











Y4 re painted the memorial and Y2 linked science objectives re flowers and pollination planting Poppy seeds from seed heads.





Y4 learning about Jewish New Year and the fact that Jews plant trees at this time. Link with Science and why we need trees; hugging trees to say thank you! Then learning about Anne Frank and discussing racism. Then sharing Jewish Penicillin soup with Matzos! Important stuff but fun, fun, fun!

> Y2 Sorting materials into different types using a table to record.





Y2 Science link with RE. Singing the action song The wise man built his house upon the rock!

On behalf of all the Northborough team, we wish you all a safe, well and relaxing half term break.