Beeston Parish News February submission

We have had a very busy January, start to February and are now looking forward to the remainder of the Spring term.

Golden Mile

Update - Since we have started this initiative the miles clocked up by the classes is as follows:-Stars Class EYFS/KS1 - 51.35 miles Key Stage 2 (Planets and Comets Class) - 101 miles

GoGoHares

We are thrilled to let you know that the Assembly House Trust in Norwich have agreed to fund a package for Beeston Primary School to participate in the GoGoCreate Project. Our school leveret sculpture was delivered in February and we look forward to working as a whole school to produce a design ready for the GoGoHares trail in the summer.

In March we will be supporting the Mad Hair Day fundraiser, please see https://www.gogohares.co.uk/blog/ggh-news/mad-hair-day---23rd-march-2018

West Norwich and Dereham School Sports Partnership (WNDSSP)

In January Year 3 and Year 4 participated in the small schools Sportshall Athletics event being held at UEA. We have also participated in the small schools swimming gala held at Dereham leisure Centre.

Both events provided a great experience for the children to participate in a large scale event, work as a team, do their best and have fun! We look forward to participating in more such events for the remainder of the term as part of our links with WNDSSP.

E-safety talk for parents

We have held a parent/carer e safety talk with an outside speaker about how to help to keep your children safe online and have supported the February Safer Internet Day in school with all classes.

E safety remains part of our integrated cross curricular Dimensions programme throughout the academic year, not just once off!

Trips - linked to our learning in school

We have a trip planned for each class this term. To date Stars Class are the only class to have been out, Planets Class are due to travel to King's Lynn this week for their trip to Pizza Express and the library, again linked to learning in the curriculum. Comets Class are due out in March for an interactive safety workshop.

Stars Class travelled to Bircham Newton to visit the National Construction College CITB as part of their topic on houses and homes.

They had a go on the simulators - the machines that train apprentices how to drive and handle machinery. There were diggers to drive and cranes to control. The instructors could change the weather to make it harder! It was very exciting although there may have been one or two crashes! Luckily it was only in a safe simulator environment.

Then the children were able to get close up to some of the machines that they had been 'driving'. One truck could carry 30 tonnes - equivalent to 30 cars.

It was wonderful to see the children's faces. A big thank you to all the kind and patient staff at the College for giving us an inspirational morning. I wonder if any of the children will grow up to drive a crane?

Maths of the day

We have a new school resource, Maths of the Day - this is a way to combine maths learning with active lessons. Classes will be using this in class for their learning and each week we will have a different home taster in the newsletter for families to try at home. This has been funded by the PE and Sport Premium from the government.

Family Learning / Sharing our learning assemblies

We continue to offer family shared learning opportunities via our Story Cafes and Our Sharing our learning assemblies for each class, where they share their curriculum learning with parents and carers.

Friday Open mornings

All parents/carers have the opportunity to come into the classroom every Friday between 8.35-8.50am so that their child can share their learning, or show items on display/objects in the classroom.

Clubs

Breakfast club runs daily from 8am and After school club runs daily from 3-4.30pm.

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