

NC News

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The newsletter of
Normand Croft Community School

ATTENDANCE MATTERS.

ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

Attendance

C1	98
C2	97
C3	91
C4	91
C5	98
C6	91
Totals	94

Egg Decorating Competition

Congratulations to everyone who took the time and effort to decorate an egg for our annual competition. If you would like to see the entries, please have a look at our X (formerly twitter) page on @Normand_Croft.

Red Nose Day

The whole school participated in our Red Nose Day last Friday and £144.84 was raised for Comic Relief. Thank you to everyone who contributed and to Ms How, Mr M Ekeh and Mr S Ekeh for organising such a successful day.



Unity Farm: Outdoor Learning

Making Eco links – In Reading and Italy

After our successful visit from Brackenbury school, our Eco Committee is continuing to make links with the wider community. On Friday we hosted Sophie Smith, who runs gardening clubs in a school in Reading. Sophie also joined in with Class 6 gardening club and helped us pot on basil and oregano that was planted in January.



Exciting news - the Eco Committee have written a letter to Enrico Medi Primary School in Macerata in central Italy (where Ms Martin used to work) to invite them to collaborate with us: the plan is for the letter to be hand delivered to the school during the Easter holidays!

Great Big School Clean

March is the month of the Great Big School Clean where children pick up litter in and out of school – our ambitious target was to pick up 50 bags of litter and while we did not quite reach the target, children in every class got very involved and are proving themselves once again to be amazing global citizens!



Be Safe, Be Kind, Be The Best That You Can Be.
Early Years and Primary Learning

After reading the traditional tale 'The Elves and the Shoemaker' in Reception we made our own shoes in the creative workshop. We drew around our shoe and cut it out then we attached straps using staples and tape. Finally we decorated our shoes.



Class One have had a busy final week of term. In RE, we learned more about Christianity and made hot cross buns with the eggs that we collected from the hen house earlier in the day! We participated in the big school clean finding lots of rubbish. We have also moulded clay into diva lamps and then painted them.

Reverend Sam came into speak to children about the Easter story. He focussed on the crosses that we see in the world today (on a map, kisses on a card). The children were very engaged, shared their knowledge with him and asked lots of great questions at the end.

This week in Class Two, we took part in the Great Big School Clean by going to Normand Park to help pick up the litter in our community. We used litter pickers to do this and worked with a partner. Also, this week in art we have been learning how to mix primary colours to make secondary colours and we have been drawing and cutting out shapes of Tudor houses to make a Great Fire of London scene.



This week, Class 3 have enjoyed creating impressive double-page spreads, full of incredible information all about the Stone Age. They have used their creative skills and all the knowledge from this half term and the results were fantastic. We also enjoyed our session with Into University, where we were introduced to the concept of a career and some potential career options! Well done Class 3 for an excellent term!



This week year 4 had a fantastic workshop with Into University. They learnt all about different careers such as Museum Curator, Product Designer and Contractor. They learnt the key skills required for each career.

Diary Dates
Our Shared Value
Unity

Mon 15 th April	School Closed for staff training.
Tue 16 th April	Children Return to School Y3 & Y4 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Y4 & Y5 Gardening Club
Wed 17 th April	Y5 & Y6 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Y5 & Y6 Girls football
Thu 18 th April	Y4 Swimming Y2 Visiting Monument 3.30 – 4.30- Y5 & Y6 Boys football
Fri 19 th April	Y3 Swimming
Mon 22 nd April	Y1 & Y2 PE 3.30 -4.30 Year 3 & 4 Multisports 3.30 – 4.30 Y5 & Y6 ECO Club
Tue 23 rd April	Family Stay & Read Y3 & Y4 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Y1 & Y2 Multisports 3.30 – 4.30 Y4 & Y5 Gardening Club
Wed 24 th April	Y5 & Y6 PE 3.30 – 4.30 Y5 & Y6 Girls football
Thu 25 th April	Y5 National Army Museum Y4 Swimming 3.30 – 4.30- Y5 & Y6 Boys football
Fri 26 th April	Y3 Swimming

Year 6 Awareness Academy

This week, Class 6 had a two day awareness academy workshop with a PC from the Metropolitan Police. They were given information and advice which will help them keep themselves and others safe during their transition to secondary school. He was very impressed with their behaviour, their answers and engagement with all the presentations. Well done Class 6!