

Grewelthorpe C E Primary School

Friday 22nd March

Teaching and Learning

Forest School



This week the children used over hand and reef knots to make a string person. They found natural materials to make props, including sheep wool for hair and sticks for weapons. They explored and made structures to create a den for their characters. The dens included A frames, tepees, lean-to and underground structures.



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Class 4

Yesterday Class 4 were able to visit Roseberry Topping as part of their studies on mountains. They were extremely fortunate with the weather and had a fantastic day, climbing to the summit, learning about the local geology and wildlife of the area. The class step tracker recorded 14,000 steps so a very busy and enjoyable day had by all.



Class 3

The Coldstone Cut and Stump Cross Cavern Visit

On Wednesday, Class Three joined with friends from Fountains School, for an exciting visit to The Coldstone Cut and Stump Cross Caverns. The visit supported learning in science and geography as we have been investigating rocks and mountains.

The day began with a brisk walk up the hill to the Coldstone Cut Sculpture, where we saw rocks used as a material to create artwork. We then met the Coldstone Cut Quarry Manager, who explained how the quarry works and what the rock is used for. He explained that dynamite is used to blast the rock so that it can then be collected and transported away. There was great excitement when he arranged for us to have a look at an enormous lorry that had wheels taller than a man.

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Having experienced being over one thousand feet above sea level, where it was very windy, we then took shelter underground at the caves at Stump Cross. We had a wonderful time exploring the caverns and observing stalactite and stalagmite formations. There were opportunities to see lots of fossils and to develop our understanding of how fossils are created. The experience of being inside a cave has inspired us with lots ideas for our story writing next week.



"Mr Green told us that the giant dumper could carry 85 tons....it was as big as a house!"

"At the top of the spiral sculpture there was a chart that showed all the plants and animals that live in the area."

" I was a but scared to go in the cave but now I have overcome my fear."

"....We put on a hard hat and walked into the cave. I was amazed at what was underground"

" ... stalagmites and stalactites filled the cave like dripping icicles"

" I had a great day and I want to go back!"

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Parents Forum

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the meeting on Thursday. It is important that we share the information with all parents and provide an opportunity for you to give feedback or ask questions.

Our aim is to develop a culture where we give our children feedback on the different ways they learn and recognize the effort and processes which enable progress and success. It is important that our children are able to believe in themselves and the possibilities available to them, to learn by embracing challenge, questioning the world around them, reflecting and not being afraid to take risks.

A copy of the PowerPoint used in the parent forum can be found on the website by following the link below:

https://www.grewelthorpeschool.co.uk/docs/Newsletter-Latest/Parent_Forum_Grewelthorpe.pdf

If you have any questions or comments about the presentation then please contact me via email:

headteacher@grewelthorpe.n-yorks.sch.uk

Uniform

It has been brought to my attention that the uniform policy on the website which was sent out last week has not been reviewed in a number of years. The Governors and leaders of school propose that they will review uniform in the summer term at which point it may be necessary to amend the policy. We appreciate how expensive uniform purchases are so please don't worry, if after consultation changes are agreed, they would be phased in over an extended period of at least an academic year.