

# VILLA REAL NEWSLETTER – SUMMER 2022

## S2A

We have had a very busy half term in senior 2A; we have continued working hard in Maths learning about data handling and enjoyed our class text 'The Foot Prints Mystery'. Some of the highlights this term have been taking part in all the fun events we have had in school. The Queen's Jubilee celebrations were fantastic! We had lots of fun taking part in all the Jubilee themed activities throughout the week. The boys especially enjoyed the whole school tea party we had! Enjoying face painting and dressing up as a king! We also had lots of fun learning about and celebrating American Independence Day on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July! We also loved taking part in our Sports day in the hall all of the boys tried their very best and thoroughly enjoyed themselves!

Well Done boys! You have had another busy but very fun half term!



## S3A

S3A have worked super hard all year. We have really enjoyed our whole school events this term, such as: Sport's Day, Queen's jubilee celebrations and Independence Day, but our favourite day was our trip to the beach! We had ice-creams, played at the park and splashed in the sea. What a fabulous year we have had. Have a lovely summer everyone and we will see you again in September for another fantastic year!



## S1CE

We had a lovely time in Jesmond Dene Park. There's a lot to do but we only had a short time. First we looked at a map and discovered there is a river going through the whole park. We found the river and lots of small and big pedestrian bridges to cross over. After an al fresco dinner we played 'joke hunt', when each of us had a clue/instruction to go and find a joke. We all had a good laugh before we returned to school.



## S2CE

S2CE have worked super hard this summer term with their school work, enjoyed 'War Horse', Science, Art and getting back into the swing of Hydro and Rebound therapies. Best of all everyone had a fantastic time at Rookin House Glamping site in the Lake District. Some tried their hand at fishing (Cameron almost caught a dog!) while others had a go at archery. Everyone enjoyed a day out at The Lake District Wildlife Park while we were there too.



The CE provision had their very own Sports Day, much fun was had by all. The rolling and football relay, tug of war and parachute games were enjoyed by all, many thanks to some of the senior pupils for helping out with the judging.



## F1A

This term, F1A had a wonderful trip to Tyne Green Country Park in Hexham. The pupils and staff enjoyed a leisurely stroll down the River Tyne river bank under the huge alley of tall trees. We sat on a picnic bench for snacks in the sunshine! We crossed the railway line and went to a fabulous park where the children explored the play equipment. They swung, spun, slid, climbed, bounced and wobbled with smiles and clear excitement all round...even from the staff! We had our dinner at the accessible cafe@burnlane and ended our fun day by feeding the ducks by the big bridge. All the children were fantastically behaved and should be very proud of themselves. A brilliant day had by all!



## HEADTEACHER COMMENTS

Thank you all for your support over the last year. All at Villa Real wish you all a lovely summer holiday. It is with sadness that we say goodbye to Louise Burns as she becomes the Headteacher of Hexham Priory. We're also very proud of Roseanne Graham as she leaves us to become a children's nurse. Katie Lamb is leaving us to return to another Special School in Durham and Nicola Noble after years of keeping us all fit is moving to Derwentside College. We will be introducing our new Deputy Headteacher Samantha Dawson in September and a new teacher Clara Benares. As the stork has visited so many of our support staff, we'll also have a number of new support staff.

Take care all and stay safe in the sun! We look forward to seeing you return on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

*S. Bae*

## GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

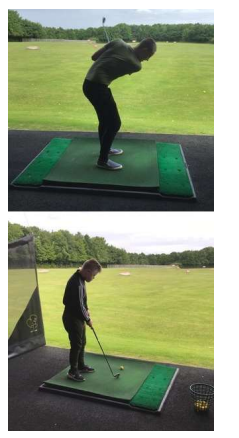
It has been really exciting and very reassuring to see visitors coming back into school. It was lovely to see families in for different events and it was wonderful to see so many parents, carers, friends and families at the school fair. Let's hope the minibus fund has a great boost. Thank you for all your support for school and have a great holiday.

Suzanne Bailey

## PE & SPORTS NEWS

We received a lovely email from the George Washington Golf Club after some of our pupils visited this term:

*"Please accept my personal thanks and those of Consett Lions Club members to all staff concerned with the trip to the George Washington Golf Club last Tuesday, 21st June. I do hope that the young people enjoyed the day. I know that they enjoyed the lunch buffet!! The pupils were a credit to Villa Real School, the accompanying staff and to their parents. As you may recall, this was the first time that Consett Lions had been involved with the Golf Day. I believe that the event will be held again next year. If so I look forward to inviting Villa Real School to participate once more. Best wishes, Lion Mike Rogers MIF"*



Some of our pupils also visited Maiden Castle where they took part in activities including fencing.



### Sports Day 2022

Pupils enjoyed their summer sports day at Consett Academy and had lots of fun trying activities such as athletics, games, cricket, netball skills and football. Coaches that delivered the sessions are hoping more pupils may like to join their clubs outside of school.

Smile Through Sport: <https://smilethroughsport.com>  
 Foundation of Light: <https://foundationoflight.co.uk>  
 Inclusive Athletics: [www.derwentsideac](http://www.derwentsideac)  
 Netball: <https://www.steelersnetballglos.co.uk>





## P1A

P1A have loved getting out and about this term. Our favourite was Snow Tubing...although sadly, there was no snow, just very warm sunshine!

The pupils worked very hard on pulling the tubes up the hill then whizz down the slopes. Some needed more encouragement than others, but all were very brave and had lots of fun.



## P2A

P2A have had a lot of exciting trips out this term. We visited Whickham Thorns twice to play Lazer Quest and do some Snow Tubing. For the majority of the pupils this was a new experience and they coped with it well; they followed instructions, took turns and were kind to each other throughout all activities. For Outdoor Ed this term we have completed some water-based activities up at Hexham in the canoes, everybody had great fun even though some of us were more than just a little wet! For our Set Text we have been reading 'Joan Proctor, Dragon Doctor', this book is a little longer than we are used to but all pupils enjoyed the story and talking about which reptiles they would like to keep as pets. Enjoy your Summer break P2A, you have worked hard for it!



## P2CE

P2CE have thoroughly enjoyed their Rebound Therapy sessions. The pupils have been working very hard on their individual gross motor skills during rebound therapy which include building their core strength and maintaining a midline posture in different positions. The hard work, reactions and communication interactions from the pupils have been amazing during every rebound session.



P2CE enjoyed the celebrations and entertainment to celebrate Independence Day. The pupils enjoyed making decorative hats and flags for the special day.



## S2



In S2 this term we have enjoyed going into the school library to choose our own reading book. We've enjoyed reading our books in the lovely sun sat in the garden.

S2 students are learning mindfulness and yoga stretches as part of their wellbeing curriculum.



The students have been exploring painting and creating their own abstract reproductions. They also worked hard in the green careers for horticulture to grow plants and make up patio containers.



## P2

This term Primary 2 have been independently exploring different P.E. activities, like stepping over hurdles, throwing beanbags into hoops, onto spots and throwing balls into the basketball hoop.



As part of our PSHCE, Science and Exploring the World around us we have touched, smelled and even tasted salad vegetables. The children were very adventurous touching and tasting them.

When the brass band came in the whole class really enjoyed listening and looking at the different instruments.



## P3

We have enjoyed our Summer text; 'The Jungle Book' by Rudyard Kipling. We have produced fantastic art work inspired by 'The Jungle Book' as well as sequencing the story, building sentences and acting it out.

In Numeracy we have been exploring position and direction, using and understanding relevant positional language as well as linking to ICT and programming Beebots.

In RE we have explored how Jewish people worship at home and at the Synagogue. We have made Torah scrolls and acted out a Shabbat.

Outdoor Education has been a major highlight, thoroughly enjoyed by all children, building up skills and confidence. We have enjoyed Forest Schools at Beamish, canoeing in Hexham, body boarding at South Shields, indoor climbing at Newton Aycliffe and outdoor climbing at Causey Arch.



## S1A

S1A have enjoyed their Science topic 'The Big Build' this term and visited all the different shaped bridges on the Quayside. We have discovered why bridges must be strong and explored many bridges with different materials.



We also had a lovely and interactive visit to the Centre of Life this term, learning about Space and different planets.



## S3



Students in S3 have excelled themselves in all areas this term. We are especially proud of our Mathematics work, investigating angles, which came in rather handy as some students enjoyed a Golf taster session. We might have some 'Villa REAL' talent, with one student hitting the ball over 200 yards! Thanks to Lions Golf and George Washington Golf club for making us so welcome. Oh and their buffet is delicious. Other learners had a fab time investigating caves near South Shields. Great fun was had, while also learning about local geography, geology, personal safety and team work. Many thanks go to our Outdoor Education coordinator for this event.

