

TEAM TALK

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FIRE STATION VISIT



On Thursday, September 25th, Year 2 visited Shirebrook Fire Station. During their time there, the children learned about how the fire service serves the public and the equipment they currently use. This experience allowed them to compare modern firefighting techniques with those used during The Great Fire of London in 1666.

Additionally, the children had the opportunity to see a fire engine up close and explore the equipment it carries, which will aid them in their Design Technology project to create a moving fire engine. It was a delightful afternoon for both the children and staff. A heartfelt thank you goes to Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Edwardson for supporting Miss Kerry and the children on this trip.

OUR LOCAL PARK

This term, Whaley Thorns' geography unit is focused on "Our Local Park." The children have conducted a study of their local park to explore its features and propose enhancements to improve it further. During their visit, the children were tasked with identifying various human and physical features, creating observational drawings, discussing their likes, and suggesting improvements. Plus, they enjoyed some time to play in the park!



NATIONAL BOCCIA WEEK

During the week commencing September 22nd, we celebrated National Boccia Week. At Model Village, all children had the opportunity to experience the game of Boccia during lunchtime. The kids truly enjoyed this activity, and it was wonderful to witness younger and older children engaging in a sport together. By the end of the week, the older students had gained enough confidence to explain the rules and assist their younger peers in playing Boccia. What a fruitful week it was!



The children exhibited excellent behavior and demonstrated great responsibility while walking to the park, navigating busy roads safely. They accomplished a lot of hard work while also having plenty of fun.





The Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) programme is dedicated to enhancing the quality of playtime in schools, acknowledging that play is vital for children's growth. Its goal is to foster environments where children can participate in creative, collaborative, and active play, which is essential for their learning and social development.

On Tuesday, October 14th, Model Village hosted more than 100 parents for an OPAL Play morning. Parents savored a delicious sausage sandwich, attended a talk explaining the concept of OPAL Play, and then joined their children to partake in the enjoyable activities. Activities include a waterslide, a sandbox, scooters, water play and building blocks. The children (and adults) had a lovely morning.

The event was not only a delightful experience for all attendees but also an eye-opener for many parents who witnessed firsthand the benefits of structured yet flexible playtime.



FUTURE FOOTBALL STARS



On Tuesday, September 30th, two teams of Year 5 and 6 students proudly represented our school at the mixed Year 5/6 Football Competition held at Shirebrook Academy. The teams were named the Model Village Ballers and the Model Village Thunders, and they certainly lived up to their names.

There was fantastic play and impressive goalkeeping from everyone involved! The Model Village Ballers secured 2nd place in the competition, while the Model Village Thunders achieved 3rd place.

A special shout-out to Lyla, our only girl on the team, who dove in and delivered an outstanding performance! The Spirit of the Games awards went to Revan (from the Ballers) and Liam (from the Thunders). Thank you all for consistently embodying the Model way.

NEW WORLD RECORD PROVISIONALLY SET

Students from Stubbin Wood Chesterfield have recently taken part in a World Record attempt with Chesterfield FC Community Trust and Age UK Derby and Derbyshire. They tentatively set a new Guinness World Record for the largest chair-based exercise session, pending official verification from Guinness.

Andrea Parkinson, the Trust's head of healthy communities, shared her pride, stating:

"I'm incredibly proud. It took months of planning, and witnessing everything come together with such a great turnout was outstanding."

"It's been a tremendous effort. The instructors who guided the session for such a large audience were exceptional, presenting it with clarity and precision. This has truly been an unbelievable team accomplishment."



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COOKING HEALTHY RECIPES

In their Design Technology unit, Year 4 students at Model have been busy making flapjacks. They focused on making their creations healthier by incorporating blueberries, raspberries, and strawberries.

The children skillfully used knives to chop the fruit into small pieces and utilised weighing scales to measure their ingredients accurately. The flapjacks they produced not only looked delightful but also tasted amazing!



HOCKEY FESTIVAL

A group of 15 Year 5/6 students from Model Village have recently taken part in a Hockey Festival at Manor Sports Ground. For many, it was their first experience with hockey, while others eagerly applied the skills they had developed during PE lessons this term.

Model Village approached each match with determination, striving for consecutive victories. The children truly enjoyed the event. A special shout-out to our Year 6 student, Ruby, for scoring the highest number of goals during our time there.

Additionally, a heartfelt thank you to the parents who came out to support their children, your presence means so much to them and to me as well. Thank you!

The Hockey Festival was not just about the games but also about building friendships and fostering a sense of community among the participants. The students demonstrated excellent sportsmanship, congratulating their opponents and celebrating each other's achievements.

We are incredibly proud of all the students for their hard work and dedication. These experiences are invaluable, teaching lessons that go beyond the field. We look forward to seeing more of their growth in future sporting events. Keep practicing, supporting each other, and most importantly, keep having fun!



BOLSOVER FUN RUN



Recently, 14 children from Model Village participated in the Fun Run at New Bolsover School. The kids were ready in their running shoes and tackled their races with bright smiles. They had a great time, even cheering for the runners in other events.

A special shoutout to Frankie for securing 3rd place in the girls' Year 2 race. Well done to everyone, we are incredibly proud of you all!

As always, these events are a wonderful opportunity for our students to learn the importance of teamwork and perseverance. We look forward to more such events in the future that allow our children to shine and create lasting memories. Keep running, cheering, and enjoying every moment!





On Monday 3rd November, staff from across our trust gathered at Goosedale in Nottingham for our Annual Conference. The day brought everyone together with a shared purpose, to refocus on what matters most - the children in our schools.

Throughout the day, we heard from three inspiring speakers, Anthony Benedict, Olly Dean, and Carrie Grant, who each brought thought provoking insight and encouragement. Their sessions helped us to reflect on how we can continue to support our pupils with compassion, understanding, and a trauma aware approach to behaviour.

The conference also gave us the chance to celebrate the incredible work happening across our schools as we announced this year's award winners. It was wonderful to recognise and applaud the individuals and teams who go above and beyond to make a difference every day.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to making the day such a success, it was filled with learning, inspiration, and a renewed commitment to helping every child thrive.

