



MABLETHORPE PRIMARY ACADEMY



Lower Key Stage 2 Newsletter Term 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of Term 1, we will be taking time to reflect on some of the wonderful learning that has taken place and celebrate the many achievements of our pupils. We are incredibly proud of everything the children have accomplished this term.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during the disruptions caused by the building work. Further work will be taking place over the holidays, and we will continue to keep you updated with any changes as they arise.

I would also like to extend a huge thank you to all the staff, children and parents who helped make our Monster Disco such a fantastic success. Together, we raised an amazing £760. This money will be used to help reduce the cost of transport for future school trips, ensuring that more opportunities remain accessible for all our pupils.

Thank you for your continued support. We wish all of our families a restful and enjoyable break.

Ms Hodgson

November	
Monday 9 th	Children back to school
Wednesday 11 th	Claxby Grange: Pelicans class
Thursday 12 th	Claxby Grange: Seals
Friday 13 th	Claxby Grange: Puffins Parenting workshops; managing anxieties and worries
Monday 16 th	Anti-bullying week Seals, Pelicans and puffins to the library
Tuesday 17 th	Key stage 1 children to the library
Thursday 19 th	Anti-bullying workshops with years 5 and 6
Friday 20 th	Children in Need. Dress up day
Monday 23 rd	Harry Potter World with year 6
Tuesday 24 th	Nottingham University: Seals
Monday 30 th	Nottingham University: Puffins KS 1 Parent join in for RE

Some dates for your diaries for Term 2

December	
Tuesday 1 st	Lower Key Stage 2 parent join in
Wednesday 2 nd	Upper Key Stage 2 parent join in
Friday 4 th	Dress up day and bring in chocolate donation
Monday 7 th	Years 1 and 2 Christmas craft join in Choir singing at Care Home
Tuesday 8 th	Years 3 and 4 parents join in making Christingles in am Years 3 and 4 and parents at St Mary's church for Christingle
Wednesday 9 th	Christmas craft join in for years 5 and 6 Reception at Rand Farm
Thursday 10 th	Christmas Dinner Reception Christmas join in at 1:30
Friday 11 th	Christmas Fair Nursery Sing a long
Monday 14 th	Years 1 and 2 Christmas performance to parents at 2pm
Tuesday 15 th	Years 1 and 2 trip to Embassy Theatre Reception sing a long at 2:30
Wednesday 16 th	Years 1 and 2 Christmas performance to parents Nursery join in am
Thursday 17 th	Christmas party for Reception. Years 1 and 2 and years 3 and 4
Friday 18 th	Years 5 and 6 Christmas Party
January	
Monday 4 th	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 5 th	Children back to school

Attendance

Our attendance figure is 92.3% which is lower than our target of 97%.

Thank you for helping to make sure your child is here, every day, ready and on time.

As always, we kindly ask the following:
Medical appointments should be made out of school time whenever possible.

Holidays should not be taken during term time.

Please check the school website for the Term Dates for 2026 -27 and 2027-2028 to help plan for holidays not to be taken in term time.



Attendance Matters





ONLINE SAFETY

Staying safe, smart and kind online



The online world offers huge opportunities for learning, creativity and staying in touch, but it also comes with risks. This newsletter provides helpful information about some of the most popular apps, with a focus on Snapchat and WhatsApp, and tips to keep children safe online.



SNAPCHAT

Age rating: 13+

Messages disappear...
but they're not
always gone!

Snapchat allows users to send photos, videos and messages that disappear after being viewed. It also includes features such as Stories and Snap Map.

⚠ Possible risks:

- Contact from strangers
- Sharing personal information or images
- Inappropriate content
- Cyberbullying
- Location sharing through Snap Map
- Screenshots can still be taken and shared

✅ Top tips for parents:

- Check and set privacy settings
- Turn on Ghost Mode to hide location
- Talk to your child about who they are talking to
- Remind them not to share personal information or photos with strangers
- Encourage them to tell a trusted adult if something worries them



WHATSAPP

Age rating: 13+

A great way to stay
in touch – but it's
important to use
it safely.

WhatsApp is a messaging app that allows text, voice and video calls, as well as group chats.

⚠ Possible risks:

- Being added to large group chats
- Contact from unknown people
- Inappropriate messages or images
- Misinformation and scams
- Cyberbullying

✅ Top tips for parents:

- Check who can contact your child
- Talk about respectful communication
- Encourage them to block and report unwanted contacts
- Remind them never to share personal information
- Keep an eye on group chats

OTHER POPULAR APPS

Here are some other apps and platforms children and young people use. Each has benefits, but it's important to be aware of the risks.



TIKTOK

Age rating: 13+

- Short videos and live streams
- Risk of inappropriate content
- Contact from strangers
- Can be addictive



INSTAGRAM

Age rating: 13+

- Photo and video sharing
- Pressure from likes and followers
- Inappropriate content
- Direct messaging can allow contact from unknown people



ROBLOX

Age rating: 7+

- Online gaming platform
- Chat functions with other players
- In-game purchases
- Risk of contact from strangers



YOUTUBE

Age rating: 13+
(YouTube Kids for younger children)

- Huge range of content
- Some videos may be unsuitable for younger viewers
- Comments can be unkind
- Risk of misleading information



TALK OPENLY

The best online safety tool is a conversation. Talk regularly with your child and encourage them to come to you if something makes them feel uncomfortable.



KEEP SAFE ONLINE

Use privacy settings • Be kind and respectful • Think before you share
Keep personal information private • Block and report anything that feels wrong
Remember – it's OK to ask for help!



WHERE TO GET HELP

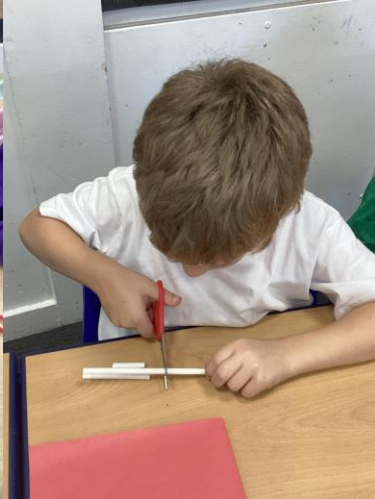
If you have any concerns about your child's online safety, please contact the school. You can also find support from:
Childline – www.childline.org.uk • NSPCC – www.nspcc.org.uk
CEOP – www.ceop.police.uk

A SAFER
ONLINE WORLD
STARTS WITH
ALL OF US

Puffins



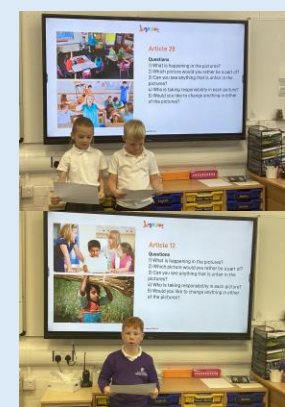
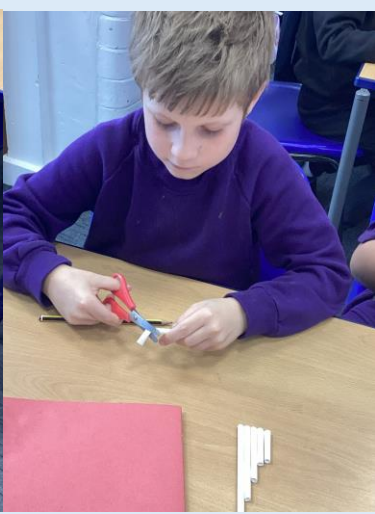
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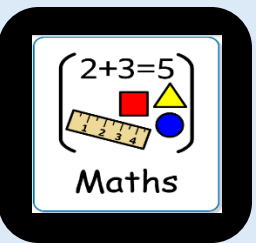


We enjoyed making our own pan pipes. We noticed that the shorter the pipe the higher the sound and the longer the pipe the lower the sound.



Through role-play activities, we have been learning about what it means to be a good citizen. We discussed our rights and responsibilities and how we can make a positive contribution to our school and community.

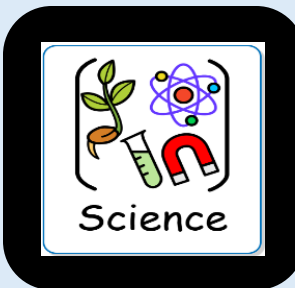


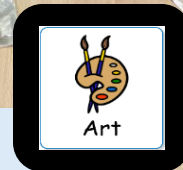


Place value
We have been
exploring numbers
within 1,000



We used the iPads to record
our voices.
We noticed that when the
vibrations got bigger the sound
was louder. When the vibration
is small, the sound is quiet.





Using clay, water and charcoal, we have had a great time creating our own cave art paintings.



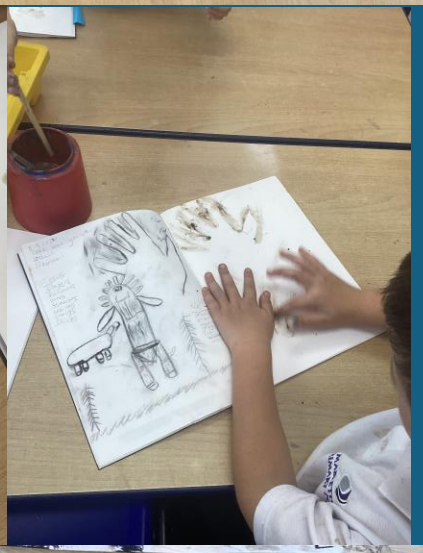
Library Visit

We enjoyed visiting our local library where we played a game of Stone Age Bingo and created our own Stone Age people!

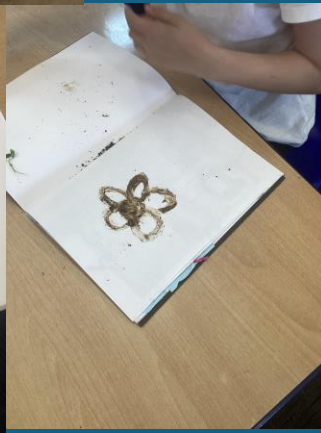


Seals Term 1





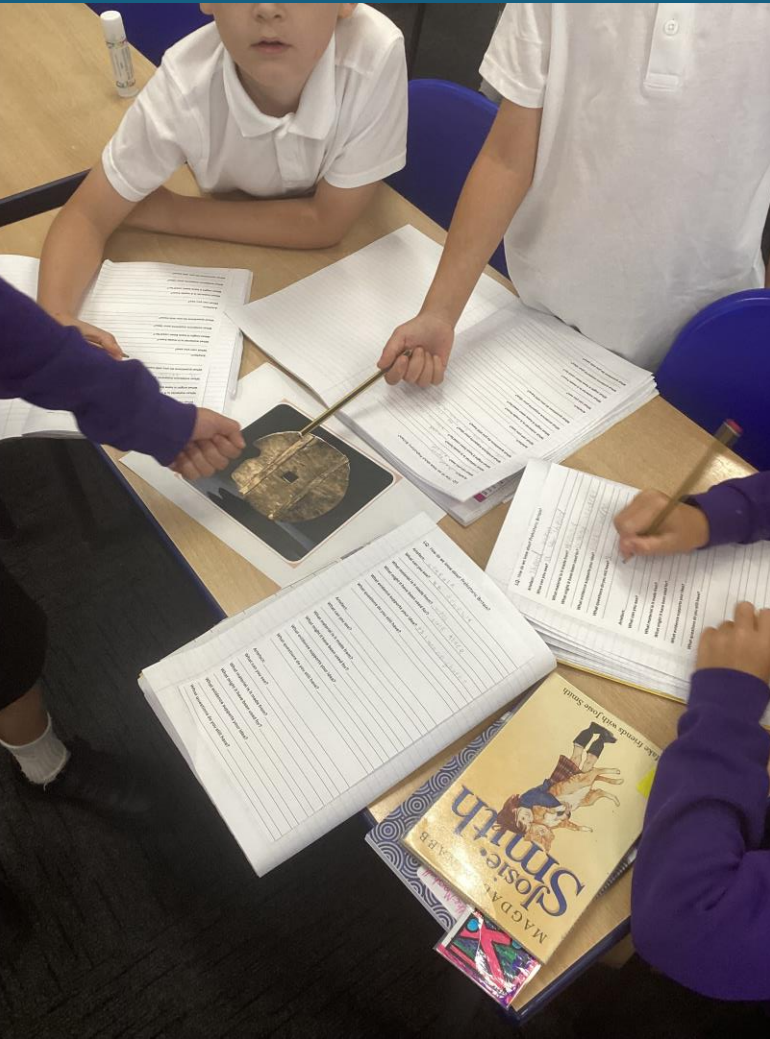
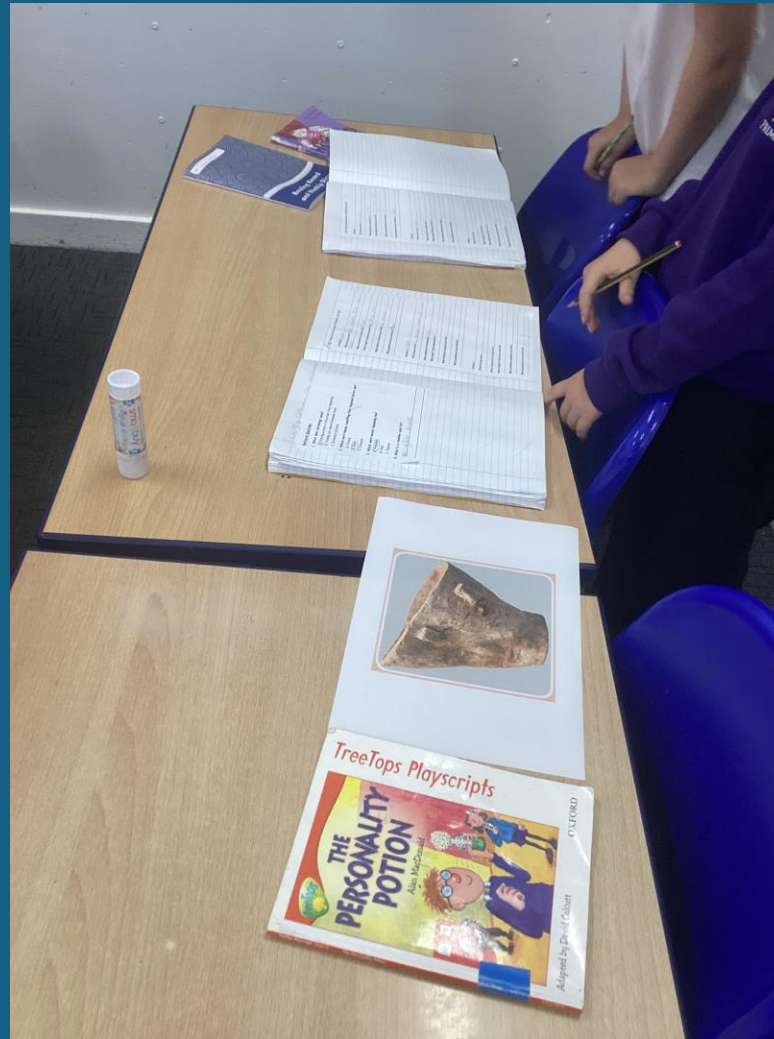
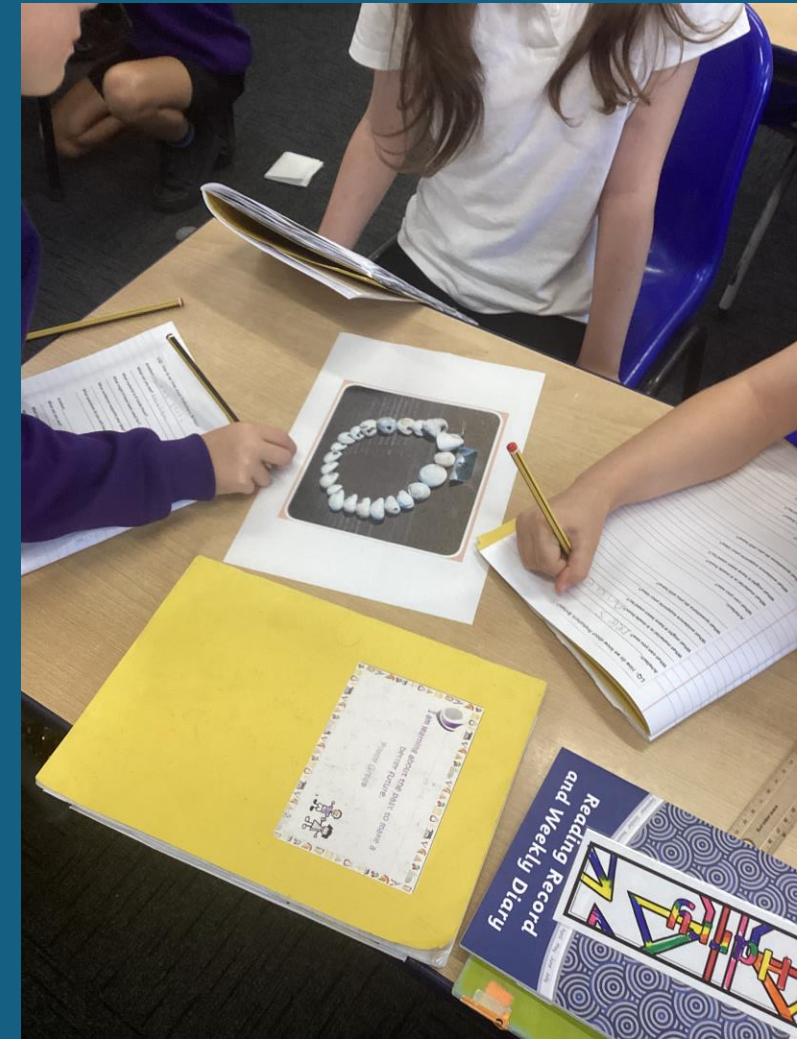
In art we
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creating cave
paintings



In PE we
have been
working on
our cricket
skills.



In history we have been learning about the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age.

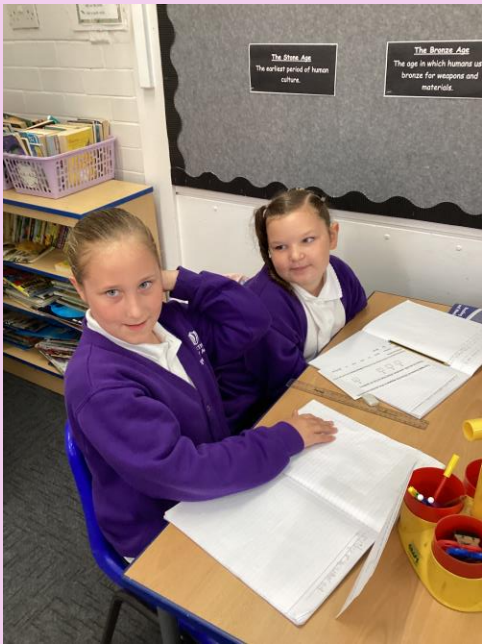


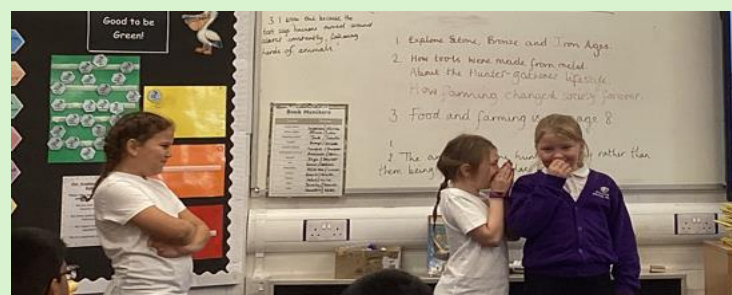
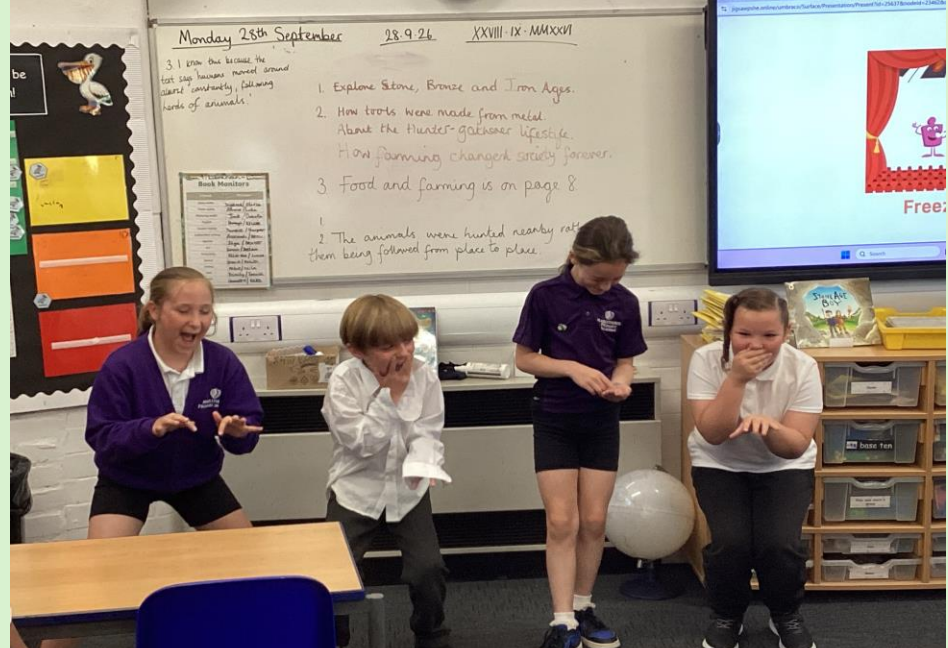


Pelicans Newsletter



The children worked in groups to ask questions and be the stone age boy in our hot seating activity.





Pelican's worked in groups to freeze frame scenarios linked to Being Me in my world, Rewards and Consequences lesson as part of their Jigsaw PSHE.

