



Caythorpe Chronicle

Friday 5th June 2026

Super Science Week!

At the end of last term, the whole school celebrated **British Science Week**. Throughout the week, pupils took part in a range of exciting activities and challenges linked to the world of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

In Hogwarts, the children learnt about the challenges engineers face when creating equipment that can land on the Moon, including extreme temperatures, unusual terrain, and how to power vehicles during long periods of darkness. They then designed their own lunar rovers to overcome these issues.

The class also took part in a buoyancy challenge. They explored which shapes are best for staying afloat and built their designs using only a piece of paper, a piece of foil, and a metre of tape. Finally, they tested their creations by placing them in water to see how many maths cubes each could hold before sinking.



Neverland answered the question of 'How do birds build their nests?' The children had to use natural resources to create their own nests but using pegs as their 'beaks' to create their end result.



We also had some deep thinking questions during our morning starters, which included:

- Spotting the odd one out in a series of images.
- What is the best surface to run on?

In Narnia the children worked collaboratively in teams to take on a bridge building challenge! Using a variety of materials, each group designed and built their own bridge with the aim of making it strong enough to hold as much weight as possible.



The children took part in an exciting investigation exploring forces and impact! The children filled 2L and 1L bottles with sand to give them different weights. Then they took it in turns to throw either a small ball or a large ball at the bottles to see how many they could knock over.

We were asking:

Does the size of the ball make a difference?

Are the bigger or small bottles easier to knock down?

The children made predictions, tested their ideas and carefully observed what happened.



Thank you to our parents Mr Kirk and Mrs Roe who were willing volunteers to come in and talk to the whole school about their careers in science. The children asked some thoughtful questions. The week was filled with curiosity, enthusiasm and a real sense of wonder as pupils learned about the important role that science and technology play in our everyday lives. It was fantastic to see such engagement across the school, with children demonstrating resilience, teamwork and creativity throughout the challenges. Hopefully the week has inspired some future scientists!

🇬🇧 Happy Shoes Day Competition Winner! 🦶

Congratulations to **Poppy**, who was selected as the winner of the **Happy Shoes Day Competition** by the Lincolnshire School Travel Team from entries submitted across the county. The competition challenged children to design a colourful and creative pair of shoes that celebrated active travel and healthy lifestyles. Poppy's fantastic design stood out to the judges for its creativity and originality.

As the winning entrant, Poppy receives a voucher for Sport Direct for £40!

Well done, Poppy – a fantastic achievement!



Enchanted Forest again had the top attendance with 97%. A great start to their school life!

Whole school attendance since September is 95.2%.

This is an improvement on last year's attendance!

National expectation is 96%.

🏆 Sports Day Success! 🏆

Well, we got a little damp to start with but luckily the sun finally came out.

We had a fantastic Sports Day filled with fun as the children took part in a carousel of exciting activities running, jumping and throwing.

Their enthusiasm was brilliant, as was the enthusiasm of the adults who took part in the parents/carers races! But what made the day truly special was their sportsmanship - cheering each other on, celebrating every effort, and showing real team spirit throughout.



We've Been to the Zoo!

Neverland and Enchanted Forest had a great time on their visit to Lincoln Zoo. The children were able to see some of the animals they had been learning about and were able to identify animals which were herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. They even got to a front row seat to the animal show, where they got to see some animals from around the world and learn about them! Some of the cheeky birds even flew over the top of their heads! During their visit, the children got to see wolves, sloth bears, crocodiles, parrots, meerkats, capybaras, spider monkeys, snakes and so much more! Leo C was surprised! "Look at this Lemur," he exclaimed to Miss Cook, "it has a long tail, it's trying to climb up me!"



Maci was amazed, 'The snake doesn't actually feel slimy!'

Ted spotted that 'the spider monkeys have long tails to help them swing from the trees!'





Well-being Afternoon



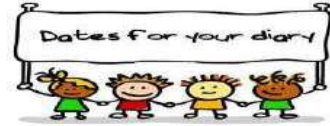
During Narnia's well-being afternoon, the children had a wonderful time getting active and socialising with their friends. They took part in the Joe Wicks exercise video from Picture News, which got everyone moving, smiling and full of energy! 🦵
 Afterwards, the children enjoyed playing a range of board games together. This was a great opportunity for them practice turn-taking, teamwork, and communication skills while having lots of fun. 🎲



Enchanted Forest took part in some yoga - the children enjoyed being a lion learning to "ROAR!" They talked about well-being and what that looked like for us:
 "I like to colour. It makes me feel calm" - Connie
 "I like to play with the dinosaurs, that helps me" - Leo C



Thank you to everyone who attended our first Play and Connect session, held in collaboration with Caythorpe Pre-School. It was wonderful to welcome families into our setting and see children enjoying the provision while parents had the opportunity to meet, chat, and make new connections.
 We hope these sessions provide a welcoming space for families to build supportive relationships, share experiences, and explore the excellent opportunities available within our school and pre-school community.
 Our next Play and Connect session will take place on Wednesday 1st July. We look forward to welcoming both familiar and new faces for another enjoyable afternoon together.



Monday 8th - Wednesday 10th June – Camp Redwood Residential
 Tuesday 16th June – KSHS and Carres Taster Day for Y5s – 9.15am-3pm
 Thursday 18th June - KSHS and Carres Taster Day for Y5s – 9.15am-3pm
 Thursday 18th June – FSA Summer Disco - information to follow
 Friday 19th June – Camo Day – raising money for SSAFA – details to follow
 Monday 22nd and Wednesday 24th – Carees and KSHS Y7 2026 new intake Parents' evenings
 Friday 26th June – Carres and KSHS Y7 2026 new intake day 8.40am-3.30pm
 Monday 29th June – Reception '26 parents' meeting 5.30pm
 Wednesday 1st July – Pre-school and School – Play and Connect 2-3pm
 Friday 3rd July – Y3/4 Community Games Day at Elsafor Road – letter to follow
 Thursday 9th July – Reception '26 Stay and Play 3.30pm-4pm
 Thursday 9th July - Non-Uniform Day for tombola prize donations (please note change of date)
 Friday 10th July – EYFS and KS1 visit to Belvoir castle
 Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th July – Transition afternoons
 Thursday 16th July – Whole School Belton House visit – letter to follow
 Friday 17th July – 150 Years celebrations and picnic – details to follow
 Monday 20th July – Rock Steady Concert
 Tuesday 21st July – Celebration Assembly 9am
 - Year 6 Leavers 2.15pm and End of term
 Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd September – Staff Training
 Wednesday September 3rd – Term 1 begins
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