

Personal Development  
The Chronicles of  
Cestria Primary  
School  
2023 - 2024



February  
2024



## Robinwood

Our Y5 children have spent the last 3 days on an exciting residential at Robinwood Activity Centre...they have had loads of fun and challenged themselves in all sorts of ways...they have been simply amazing. Thank you to all the staff who accompanied the children, I know they have had an amazing time too.



Physical Health & Active Lifestyles

## Cross Country

Very successful county cross country for the Cestria girls this morning:  
We are so proud of you!



Physical Health & Active Lifestyles

## Refuse Cafe

FABULOUS NEWS: In school we do lots of work about personal development to enable our children to become the best version of themselves they possibly can be. Last year, when in Y4, these children along with Mrs Wright, Mrs Bowery and the Refuse Cafe led a Waste Warriors campaign. Their hard work, leadership and ingenuity in reducing food waste were commended last night when they WON an environmental award from Durham County Council which was presented to Mrs Wright and Mrs Bowery at Hardwick Hall. Not only did they win for their Waste Warriors project they also WON an OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD. We are SO proud of you all!



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## Book Based Assembly

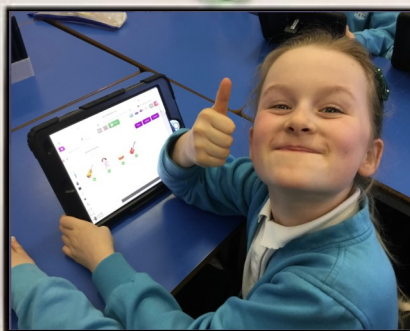
In this week's book based assembly all the classes will be thinking about our environment and climate change!



Physical Health & Active Lifestyle

## Judo

What an amazing experience in PE today working with a Judo coach! The children had so much fun!



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## Computing

The children are enjoying using 2Animate to make animations and can now add sounds and backgrounds to these!

## Scrapbooks

Year 4 have had a lovely morning making our scrap books all about our childhood fears!



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## Geography

Today we have had the help of some "Tiny Teachers," who are helping others with their geography.



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## Design and Technology

We have been practising our cutting and peeling (and eating) skills as part of our seasonal eating unit. We have loved trying the different foods, the courgette a surprising favourite .



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### Peer to Peer

Year 5 visited Park View to help some of the Year 10 students with one of their media projects.



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### World Book Day

To celebrate World Book Day, Year 5 visited the children in Year 1 to share their books with them.



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### Science

In Science we used parachutes to investigate air resistance and gravity.



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## Art

In Art year 2 have been designing artists maps of a familiar route to them. We will be creating some abstract art based on these maps.



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## Climate Change

In DT we made structures using paper and tape. The children worked in small groups. Their challenge was to make 9 cylinder shapes between them and then attach them to make a chair



Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance

## Assembly Time

Year 2 welcomed Mr Garlick from Cornerstones who came to talk to us about the meaning of Lent.



Spiritual and Moral and cultural Education.

## Skills

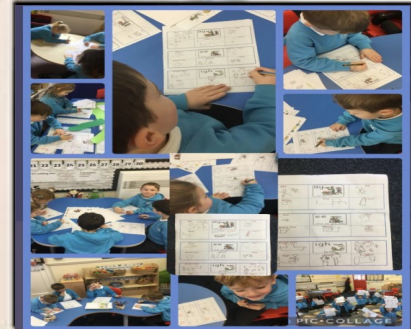
Gluing, cutting, drawing, rolling, moulding and guiding the computer game in the right direction are some of the skills the children have been practising today.



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## Phonics

Reception have worked our socks off in phonics. We recapped our special friends sounds. We then had a go at independently reading words with special friends in and drawing the word to show understanding.



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## Storytime

We have come to the end of our second Wild Robot story and good news ... Roz is safely back on the Island! Voices and Choices. It was a unanimous decision. Everyone wanted to move onto The Wild Robot Protects.



Democracy



## Red Nose Day

Everyone at school had lots of fun doing something funny for money to support the various Red Nose Day charities.



British Values

## Maths

After measuring out the different ingredients, the children very much enjoyed making and then eating chocolate Easter nests!.



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## Design & Technology

Little chefs have been preparing to design a healthy wrap recipe by tasting a range of ingredients. We tried radish, spinach, kale, savoy and red cabbage, spring onion and cauliflower. I was amazed how many of the children tried all of the things.



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## Spring Walk

This morning we had a lovely spring nature walk to the park, where the children described what they saw, heard, and felt. We explored the signs of spring and the changing seasons. This afternoon was discussed what a plant needs to grow and be healthy.



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## Easter Crosses

Across the school, we designed a cross to be displayed in Mary's and St. Cuthbert's church. One side was filled with things that we love and that make us happy. Then, we discussed some things that we would like to change about the world. We talked about people being unkind, littering, and how some people are less fortunate than us. We spoke about what we could all do to make the world a better place and the little changes we could all make. We came up with recycling, being kind, and giving to charities, and we drew this on the other side of the cross.



Spiritual, Moral and Cultural Education

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We had lots of fun decorating a biscuit with a silly face!



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## Personal Development

As part of our personal development, Darren from the School Sports Partnership came in to school to work with our year 1 pupils. He worked on building confidence when riding without stabilisers as well as agility, balance and coordination. All the children who took part had a fantastic time!



Personal Development

## Hoppy Easter!

Well done to the Aquarius winner of the egg decorating contest.

We all had so much fun with this & will all be coming home with a little prize this afternoon for their efforts.



Citizenship

## Eggcellent!

After some very careful judging between the year 2 teachers, XXXX was picked as our winner for his version of St James' Park complete with manager Eggy Howe. Well done everyone for their fantastic creations!



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## Egg Decorating

We all worked really hard at decorating our eggs today.

There are all fabulous entries.

WELL DONE EVERYONE!



Citizenship

## Online Safety

Thank you to year 6 boys who came to read a story to us about keeping safe online.



Online Safety - Mental Health & Wellbeing

## Assembly

Year 2 welcomed Mr Garlick today who came to talk to us about Easter.



Spiritual & Moral & Cultural Education