

## Tudor House Building Day

10<sup>th</sup> March 2014

What an incredible day we had on Monday when Charlie Lupton from 'Make your own History' brought his Tudor House Workshop to Hovingham Village Hall for the children. St Hilda's and Hovingham Class 2s were put to task as Tudor craftsmen and women preparing and building third scale replicas of a Cruck frame house and a box frame merchant's house.



Children building the Cruck frame house.

The children first had to develop the skills needed to build such structures and were set to task bodging, roofing, thatching, wattle weaving and daubing!



Each group worked on an essential part of the build whilst learning Tudor craft skills.

The children used many skills throughout the day whilst consolidating their topic knowledge and sharing facts about Tudor life and work.



Team work and collaboration were key to the children's success and the finished houses looked truly magnificent and gave the children a huge sense of collective achievement.

The children were enthusiastic, willing participants and it was great to see them demonstrating the skills they had learnt.



The children all had a turn at making a wattle and daub panel for the box frame house.



As the house grew in size, the children became increasingly skilled at spotting the right pieces for the next bit of the frame and working together to put them into place.













Thank you to all the parents who came at the end of the day to share in the children's achievements and view the finished house. The benefits of such experiences really help to consolidate the children's knowledge and understanding and are such a valuable extension of the school's curriculum opportunities.