



Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

# Newsletter

## News this week:

### Time & Tide Museum Visit

On Monday the Year 1 and 2 children spent the day at the Time and Tide Museum in Great Yarmouth. They learned all about life at the seaside through the ages, from the Victorian times to the Mods and Rockers era. They all enjoyed a Punch and Judy show at the end of the day before heading back to school.

### Y2-6 Music Concert

On Monday evening it was our summer music concert. This was held at our Mill Lane site. There were fewer people playing in this concert than usual but the standard was just as good. It was great to see children from both sites taking part. Well done to Jakob, Lucy, George, Isabelle, Chloe, Lola, Harry, Caitlin, Oliver and Gracie who all showcased their talents. Thanks must go to Mrs. Sadler for preparing the children for the concert. If your child would like to learn piano or keyboard, please let the Mill Lane office know.

### Y6 Leavers' service at Horsford Church

A big thank you to Reverend Margaret for hosting a wonderful leavers' service at the church for our Y6 pupils on Tuesday morning. The children sang a range of hymns which helped to celebrate their time with us as well as looking forward to them moving on to high school. It was nice to hear some of the children's prayers and reflections from Miss Blyth and Mrs Kirton. Thank you for the donations given at the end; £18 will be going to our chosen charity this year, Finnbar's Force.

### Y6 End of Year Performance

It was lovely to witness the amazing talents of our Y6 pupils on Tuesday of this week when they took to the stage to perform their Ancient Egyptian play, A Glint of Gold. There were some real highlights throughout the show, in particular the arrival of Elvis in the middle, as well as a surprise flash mob of the Walk Like An Egyptian song at the end. Thank you to Miss Blyth, Ms McMurray and Mrs Watts for all their hard work and to the children who learnt the lines and the lyrics to the songs brilliantly.

### Parents' evenings

Thank you to everyone who came to our assertive mentoring meetings this week. It was lovely to see the teachers sharing your child's report with you and discussing their successes from the past year. If you have not been able to meet your child's teacher, then their report will be sent out to you next week.

### Rocksteady Concerts

This term's Rock Steady concerts took place on Wednesday. The concerts start with a warm-up session of songs, encouraging all the audience to join in. The children only have half an hour a week to prepare the songs so their applause was very well deserved. Congratulations to all who took part for the hard work they have put into their music. There are still some spaces for children to start Rock Steady lessons in September at both sites. If your child is interested in starting learning, further details can be found at <https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/>.

### Y2 End of Year Performances

The Year Two children entertained us all on Thursday with two performances of their nautical adventure. Pirates and mermaids graced the stage in a singing extravaganza. The children did incredibly well to learn so many lines and their singing was beautiful. A well done to the staff, volunteers and parents who organised costumes, staging and rehearsals to bring the performance together at the end of a busy term. It was swashbuckling-ly fabulous!

### Y6 Leavers' Award ceremony

Thank you to our Year 6 teachers for a wonderfully prepared leavers' ceremony. It was very emotional and lovely to see so many parents and carers there to celebrate with us all. Good luck again to all of our Y6 pupils leaving us at the end of next week.

### Hello & Goodbye

As we explained in our letter last week, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Palmer at the end of this term. As Head of School at our Holt Road site for the past four years, she has played a vital role in bringing what were two schools, together as one. She will be greatly missed by pupils and staff alike. We wish her all the best with the rest of her pregnancy and for the future. Talking of pregnancies, there must be something in the water, as Mrs Fuller has also announced that she is going to have a baby next academic year. To help aid transition, we will be welcoming Miss Smith, who will be joining us from September, to work alongside Mrs Fuller in 34F until she goes off on her maternity leave.

## Wednesday 24th July

### Special non uniform day and fundraiser for Amber's Army

We are dedicating our last non uniform day of this year to help raise funds for Amber's Army.

Amber is in Reception at our school and her brother Max is in Year 6. Lots of the children have been asking how they can help Amber and her family whilst they are going through this difficult time. (Please read the information from her family on the link below.)

If the children would like to, we are asking them to come dressed in pink sparkly or army style clothes to show their support for Amber's Army. They will be asked to donate £2 towards this important cause.

Families are also getting together on the Horsford village hall field straight after school on the last day of term to walk round the field and show off their outfits in support of Amber. There will be a cake sale and bring and buy sale also taking place in the village hall to raise funds for this cause. Everyone is welcome.

Thank you for your support.

Please click on the link below if you would like to donate yourselves.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/q794u-ambers-army...>

### A Special Mention....

Some of our Year 5 and 6 girls, led by Gracie Fountain, Dolly Oliver and Abbie Riches have been making stress balls and bracelets to sell at break and lunchtimes at our Mill Lane site to raise more money for Amber's Army. They have made a staggering £58 in just four days. Well done girls, what an amazing effort!

### ATTENDANCE WINNERS:

Position	Class	Attendance % this week
1 <sup>st</sup>	56J	100%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	34F	99.29%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	White Rabbit	99.07%
4 <sup>th</sup>	34S	97.23
5 <sup>th</sup>	Tabby McTat	97.05
6 <sup>th</sup>	56B	96.89
7 <sup>th</sup>	Stickman	95.02
8 <sup>th</sup>	34P	94.46
9 <sup>th</sup>	56M	94.26
10 <sup>th</sup>	Zog	93.33
11 <sup>th</sup>	Cheshire Cat	83.11

### House Winners 2018-19: SANDRINGHAM

Congratulations to the children in Sandringham house who have officially won the house competition this year. Those children will be visiting Sandringham on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July as a reward. If your child has not returned their permission slip, unfortunately they will not be able to go. Emails, texts and final letters were issued this week to those children who have not returned their forms. See the ladies in the office if you are not sure if your child has permission.

### Diary Dates

#### Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Sandringham House winners' visit  
Reception teddy bears' picnic

#### Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

#### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July

Non uniform day for Amber's Army (see info to the right)

Mill Lane Only Children may bring in games and electronics as long as they are named and fully charged.

LAST DAY OF TERM

#### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July

SUMMER HOLIDAYS START

#### Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Assertive mentoring day – come and meet your child's new teacher – appointment letter has been sent out

#### Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Children start back to school