

Message from the Executive Headteacher



Nebula
where stars are born

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THE SCHOOLS IN OUR PARTNERSHIP

Frettenham Primary

Hainford Primary

Horsford Primary

Old Catton Junior School

St. Faiths' Primary

White Woman Lane Junior

The Executive:

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Mrs Pellatt - Executive Deputy for School Improvement

Mrs Porter - Executive Deputy for SEND

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Hainford Primary

Mr Gyles Longhurst -

Frettenham Primary

Mrs Tanya Kirton &

Miss Tracy Anderson -

Horsford Primary

Mrs Kate Connelly -

Old Catton Junior

Miss Lesley Rix -

St. Faiths' Primary

Mr Daniel Richmond &

Mr Nick Johnson -

White Woman Lane Junior

How do you spell success?

"The secret of success in life is for a man to be ready for his opportunity when it comes."

- Benjamin Disraeli -

How you spell success depends on who you ask. Success, it seems, means a lot of different things to a lot of different people. Benjamin Disraeli seemed to spell success *p-r-e-p-a-r-a-t-i-o-n*, reminding us of the importance of being ready when opportunity presents itself. Henry Ford, concurred, saying, "**Before everything else; getting ready is the secret of success.**"

Dr. Schweitzer spelled success *h-a-p-p-i-n-e-s-s*; "**Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful**" suggesting that pursuing our passions in life – doing the things we love to do – is the true path to prosperity and achievement. When you're actively engaged in a project that stirs your soul and makes you come alive, you're much more likely to throw your entire heart into the effort. And it's precisely that type of all out commitment to excellence that ultimately insures your success. David Frost agreed, he said, "**Don't aim for success if you want it; just do what you love and believe in, and it will come naturally.**"

Others argue that enthusiasm

is the cornerstone to success.

"The real secret of success is enthusiasm."

- Walter Chrysler -

"Success is the ability to go from failure to failure without losing your enthusiasm."

- Sir Winston Churchill -

With enthusiasm on our side, there's not much we cannot achieve. Enthusiasm encourages us to go farther, push harder and reach higher than ever before - it's hard to spell success without *e-n-t-h-u-s-i-a-s-m*.

Dr. Joyce Brothers says that "**Success is a state of mind. If you want success, start thinking of yourself as a success.**" She emphasizes the importance of holding a powerful, positively charged picture of yourself succeeding in your mind; *s-e-e-i-n-g* yourself succeeding – in your mind – paves the pathway to success. Here are a few more ways to spell success; surely we need *p-e-r-s-e-v-e-r-a-n-c-e*;

"Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up."

- Thomas Edison -

And *d-e-t-e-r-m-i-n-a-t-i-o-n*;

"Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any one thing."

- Abraham Lincoln -

O-v-e-r-c-o-m-i-n-g a-d-v-e-r-s-i-t-y is also an important contributor;

"I don't measure a man's

success by how high he climbs but how high he bounces when he hits bottom."

- General George S. Patton -
Finally, we need *c-o-n-f-i-d-e-n-c-e*;

"Self-trust is the first secret of success."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson -

Success can certainly mean a lot of different things to a lot of different people, but one thing is for certain. The only place in the world where success comes before *w-o-r-k* is in the dictionary.

Want to be super successful? Then roll up your sleeves and get to work! And always remember this: God gave us two ends. One to sit on and one to think with. Success depends on which one you use; heads you win – tails, you lose.

Here's wishing you a super successful day – every day – for the rest of your life.



Ashley Best-White
Executive Headteacher
The Nebula Partnership

Racing Goblins ... On your marks, Get set, Go!

Pupils from 17 Norfolk primary schools raced in 25 cars in the county's first ever Formula One-style engineering event on Wednesday, June 7, including pupils from Frettenham Primary, Horsford Primary, Old Catton Junior and White Woman Lane. The children were racing their single-seat electric 'Goblin' cars at Scottow Enterprise Park; the former RAF site was transformed into a children's race-track for the day and

up to 200 10 and 11-year-olds drove the cars they built at school, with the budding engineers and racing car drivers competing in slaloms, drag and sprint races.

Through participating in this project the children have got hands-on experience of engines in the classroom. They had to both build the car from scratch, design the body and decorate it and then drive it in the races. They also learned how to work as a team, to problem solve, demonstrate and develop leadership skills, and build up their confidence.

Greenpower Education Trust ran the project to spark children's interest in STEM subjects (science, technology, engineering and maths). The trust's chief executive Jeremy Way said: "The project has seen the most rapid growth in Norfolk of anywhere in the UK."

The project is a really innovative way to get children to develop their science and technology skills and as you can see from the pictures, they had a lot of fun doing so.

Teams:

Old Catton Junior

Staff - Stephen Pritchett and Katie Richardson, Fran Morgan and Jason Gunton

Pupils - Drivers: Sienna Price, Fay Bridge, Bradley Copping, Luke Copping, Harley Carolan, Joshua Legg, Joseph Sanderson. Designers: Ella Murray, Jayden Beattie, Anna Langeskov. Artists: Eli Wilshaw, Ava de Cooper Wride, Madeline Bunter, Daisy

Viner, Tanisha Raviraj. Assemblers: Connor Hanworth, Ashleigh Bunn, Aleta Castelino, Keira Edwards, Tom Dann, Johnny Edwards.

Frettenham Primary

Staff - Gyles Longhurst, Roxy Mason and Pete Leggett

Pupils - Class 3. The drivers were Ruby-Mae Whittaker, Luke Spencer, Evan Budd, Sophie Banning and Rosie Plane.

White Woman Lane

Staff - James Savage and Richard Queensborough

Pupils - Anya Aldous, Eve Bailey, Rhiana Tibbs, Clark Concannon and Oliver Leggett.

Horsford Primary

Staff - Tim Patient and Shayney Blythe

Pupils - Lewin Razzell, Jamal Sohna, James Leveridge, Alanna Wright, Harry Betts and Xander Didwell.

City Sports - July 2017

Well done to all the children who represented their school and the Nebula partnership at City Sports this year; they were ALL brilliant!

There were twenty two schools who competed in this annual event; the City Sports Event takes place over three days. There is a field event that takes place after school where children compete in the high jump, long jump and throwing events and usually the track events take place over two afternoons; during the first afternoon the heats take place and the second afternoon is when the semi-finals (for the relays) and all the finals take place with the addition of the 800m. However, this year, the second afternoon was a wash out with heavy rain and thunderstorms. This is the first time I have ever known a complete cancellation of the finals and I have been involved or entering for the past 20 years. Let's hope its at least 20 years before it happens again! Throughout the children competed enthusiastically and supported each other.

The committee met straight after the event and decided that they didn't

want a gap in results on the trophies so they came up with a scoring system based on Monday's results and Tuesday's races. This included a weighting for the Field event winners and the quickest children in the heats. All children who qualified for the finals were awarded points.

All the children with the quickest recorded times for each event will be receiving medals. See the table below.

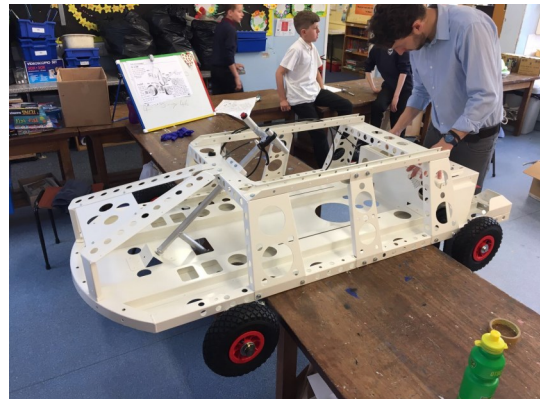
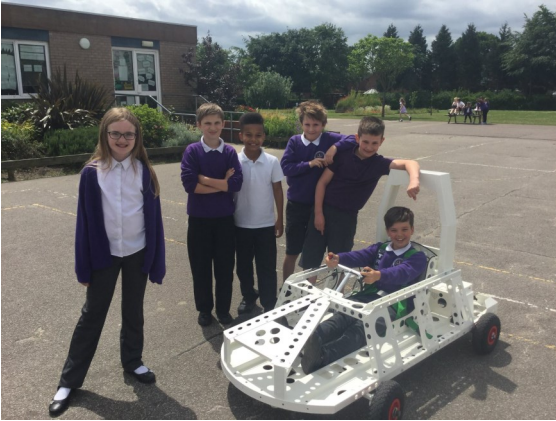
Yr 3 Girls Sprint	Old Catton
Yr 3 Boys Sprint	Woodland View
Yr 4 Girls Sprint	Falcon
Yr 4 Boys Sprint	Taverham
Yr 5 Girls Sprint	Cringelford
Yr 5 Boys Sprint	Angel Rd.
Yr 6 Girls Sprint	Bignold
Yr 6 Boys Sprint	St. Francis
Girls 70m Hurdles	Harnser
Boys 70m Hurdles	Sprowston
Yr 5 Girls 150m	Old Catton
Yr 5 Boys 150m	Angel Rd
Yr 6 Girls 200m	Bignold
Yr 6 Boys 200m	Drayton
Yr 3 Girls Relay	Old Catton
Yr 3 Boys Relay	Drayton/White Woman Lane



Yr 4 Boys Relay	Drayton
Yr 5 Girls Relay	Old Catton/Taverham
Yr 5 Boys Relay	White Woman Lane
Yr 6 Girls Relay	White Woman Lane
Yr 6 Boys Relay	Drayton

The trophies were awarded to:

Drayton - Overall Winners
 Drayton - Boys Shield
 Old Catton - Girls Shield
 Drayton - Relay Cup
 Cringelford - Small School trophy
 Cringelford - Small Schools Relay
 Congratulations everyone!





SING UP

On Friday 16 June, the Sprowston Cluster proudly presented 'Sing Up' once again. Pupils and staff from schools across the partnership came together to perform at the Festival at St Andrew's Hall. The schools involved from our partnership were Frettenham Primary, Hainford Primary, Old Catton Junior and White Woman Lane Junior. Over 260 pupils from the schools in the Sprowston Cluster were involved. The children, along with their dedicated singing teachers, had worked very hard preparing their songs to perform. Hainford and Frettenham Partnership performed 'They Don't Know'. White Woman Lane performed 'Everybody Needs Somebody' with their feeder school, Lodge Lane, and Old Catton performed 'The Candy Man' with Garrick Green Infant School. All schools sang

'The Time is Here', 'Just One Person', 'Put a Little Love in Your Heart' (which was also signed by pupils from the Hall School) and 'Believe' - the 'Sing Up' anthem.

Everyone was so impressed with the behaviour, effort and beautiful voices of the pupils.

There were some very proud families of the Sprowston Cluster pupils and many thanks to all the family members and friends who supported the children.

Many thanks too, to Mr Reeve, Mrs Allison and Mr Semmens for all their hard work.

It was a wonderful Friday afternoon.



Help kids find their voice

SkillForce - Awards Ceremony

The schools in our partnership took part in the third SkillForce Awards Ceremony on Thursday 12 July. Year 5 pupils from all our schools were presented with certificates to celebrate their achievements during the programme.

Frettenham Primary, Hainford Primary, Horsford Primary, White Woman Lane Junior School, Old Catton Junior School, St. Faiths' Primary and Drayton Junior School held a joint ceremony in the Birkbeck Hall at The Great Hospital in Norwich.

The awards were presented by Air Commodore Kevin Pellatt FCMI, Chairman of SSAFA Norfolk and 65th master at The Great Hospital, and were given to celebrate the achievements of the pupils who entered into the scheme in September last year.

The SkillForce Junior Prince's Award programme draws on the values and skills of ex-Forces personnel to inspire young people to achieve at school. The programme includes; team-building, problem solving challenges, team sports, outdoor pursuits, first aid and navigation skills.

This year we were also awarding the Year 1 pupils from Horsford Primary with their certificates for completing the brand new Prince William Award. They are some of the first children in the country to achieve the award and at the ceremony they watched a special video message from Prince William himself congratulating them all on their achievement.

The certificates they were awarded also have the Prince's signature on them - making them extremely special indeed. It is very rare that the signature of a royal patron is put on anything, this is usually reserved for personal messages only.

We were very excited to once again be hosting an awards ceremony to celebrate the success of our pupils. They have thrown themselves head-first into the both schemes, and teachers are certainly seeing the benefits of the SkillForce programmes.

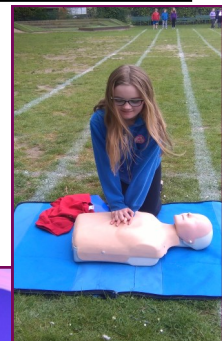
We would like to thank our fabulous instructors; Stuart McGuire, Paul Charley and Jon Rippon.

Frettenham Primary
 Lauren Bates, Elspeth Brown, Rosie Plane, Jessica Burrows, Maisie Redgrave, Fraya Bishop, Lily Herring, Elspeth Murray, Ryan Bates, Sia Bishop, Hayley Bradford, Martha Brown, Jacob Clow, Jasmine Herring, Poppy Joy, Skye Meekings, Kathryn Pegge, Hannah Turner, Gabrielle Burrows, Marcie Glasel and Lewis Green.

Hainford Primary
 Mia Barnes, Laura Bates, Megan Silverstone, Eva Britcher, Alannah Chudley, Lucy Cook, Alannah Goshawk, Chloe Jarrett, Maia Jeffery, Alexa Mallett, Faith Snowing-Dunford, Lydia Spears, Freya Walters and Alfie Marchant

Old Catton Junior School
 Bella Blyth, Ellie Blyth, Maisy Jay Harvey, Keira Edwards, Natasha Maternak, Seth Queensborough, Yung Loh, Jasmine Bee, Ella Murray, Aleta Castelino, Hayley Allen, Harry Craske, Tanisha Raviraj, Ivy Henderson and Emmy Allen

White Woman Lane School
 Charlotte Beaumont, Holly George, Sienna Brown, Angel Griggs, Ella Ramm, Ella Freeman, Poppy Powell, Tegan Brickley, Brianne Turley, Ruby Watkins, Emil Oulare, Grace Aldous, Phoebe Mears, Laila Lynes, Karenza Elgie, Lennon Murphy, Caitlin Brown, Emma-Jayne Savage, Joshua Chester and Kayleigh Wright.





Nebula Film Festival

The first ever Nebula Film Festival was held at The Auditorium at The Forum in Norwich on Thursday 29th June 2017. A huge thank you to Mr Queensborough for the idea and for organising it.

This event invited our schools and pupils to take on the challenge of creating a short film about internet safety and exploring the impact that social media has on our young people. All of the films that were submitted showcased the chosen theme in a wide range of ways including animations, films which contained advice about keeping safe, how social media was used to hurt and upset and cautionary tales about how devices were



preventing families from interacting with one another. This was a great event to view the variety of films that the children had made to explore their ideas and they also shared what they had learnt and enjoyed most about making their films.

This is the list of the films which premiered at the event;

- White Woman Lane
Our Film About Social Media
- Old Catton Junior
Friend or Foe?
- Horsford Primary
Stranger Danger
Making our Film
- Hainford Primary
The Golden Rule
- St Faiths Primary
Social Media Animations
- Frettenham Primary
Social Media Strangers



Thank You Letters Awards ... a winner!

You may recall from the previous newsletter that this year we decided to take part in the Jubilee Centre's annual gratitude contest - **The Thank You Letter Awards**. Children in our schools were given the opportunity to write a Thank You letter and some were sent to The Jubilee Centre at Birmingham University. They sent almost 70,000 letters out to over 400 schools and organisations this year and they received a huge number of extremely impressive and heart felt thank you letters from pupils across the whole of the UK.

All of the letters received were entered into the National Thank You Letter Awards and considered by the judges and I am delighted to announce that **Ryan Claxton from St. Faiths' Primary School** was chosen as one of the competition winners.

Ryan was therefore invited to attend the Thank You Letter Awards Ceremony, hosted by Lord James O'Shaughnessy, at the House of Lords, on 12th July. He enjoyed attending a drinks

reception followed by lunch in the Cholmondeley Room and Terrace, where he and the other winners presented with their prizes.

Congratulations Ryan—what an experience!

'I wrote my letter to say thank you to all the doctors and nurses at the hospitals I stayed in. I have had Leukaemia twice and I wanted to tell everyone how thankful I am to everyone who saved my life.

On Wednesday 12th July I was invited to the House of Lords to receive my award. We had apple juice when we arrived and then lunch, which was, believe it or not, fish fingers and chips! After lunch was the awards ceremony. Each winner was announced and shared their letters. I was given a glass trophy and a framed certificate. I was very impressed with another child who thanked their donor for a new kidney. We had a fantastic time.'





Nebula Showcase

On 27 June at Hellesdon High school, we held our second Nebula Showcase so that parents could see a sample of the wide range of work and experiences that are going on in our schools, focusing on dance, music and drama. Once again, the schools were asked not to prepare anything new but rather Showcase all the amazing things the children had participated in throughout the year and the range of performances was amazing! We had singing; a range of songs the children had performed at the CASMA and Sing Up events. We enjoyed dance; including street dance and musical theatre. We had Shakespeare performed—a wonderful reminder of the extraordinary productions we enjoyed at the Shakespeare schools Festival at the

Norwich Playhouse earlier this academic year. We should not underestimate the courage of the young people who performed on the stage at Hellesdon High School to a very large audience. A huge thank you to everyone who performed - and a massive thank you to our enthusiastic and appreciative audience.



A NEBULA HOODIE

All our Year 6 leavers were presented with a Nebula Hoodie. We know they will have enjoyed all the events their individual schools will have organised for them but wanted to acknowledge the part they have played as pupils of the Nebula Partnership too.



The Breck Foundation

Lorin LaFave came to the nation's attention in 2014 following the murder of her son, Breck Bednar (14), who was groomed via online gaming platforms and murdered on 17th February 2014. Since Breck's death, Lorin has set up the Breck Foundation to raise awareness on internet safety. We were delighted to welcome her to the Nebula Partnership on 11 July and staff, parents and governors heard her powerful and sometimes harrowing story told in her own words. Lorin was also available for questions after her presentation and gave many suggestions regarding how we could keep ourselves informed about the new games and APPs that come onto the market in order to keep our children safe:

Find The Breck Foundation on Facebook; <https://en-gb.facebook.com>thebreckfoundation>

And Lorin also recommended InternetMatters.org, which gives useful advice to parents to help keep their children safe online.

<https://www.internetmatters.org>



Lorin also worked with all our Year 6 pupils on Wednesday 12 July at White Woman Lane School. The session was tailored to the needs of the audience, so the content of the talk and vocabulary used was appropriate to the age of our pupils. Through telling Breck's story, she made our children aware of the potential risks on line. She informed them how to keep safe online rather than discourage them from going online at all. Lorin will provide them with the information they need to recognise those giving them false information online by listing the signs they need to look out for, as well as how friends can look out for each other and help each other.

The following staff will be leaving us at the end of term. We would like to thank them and send our very best wishes for the future:

WWL:

- Mr Sebastian Sutcliffe

OCJS:

- Mrs Carin Pratt

Horsford Primary:

- Mr Marcus Williams

- Mrs Jackie Andrews

- Miss Jade Tucker

St. Faiths' Primary:

- Mrs Erica Baldry

We welcome the following staff to our schools:

WWL:

- Mr Stan Dunn

OCJS:

- Miss Teresa Norton

- Miss Gemma Strange

Horsford Primary:

- Mrs Carin Pratt

- Miss Charlotte Gooda

St. Faiths' Primary:

- Mrs Fiona Nerney