



Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November

# Newsletter

## Diary Dates

### Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November

Keyboard lessons at Mill Lane  
Tag Rugby Cluster event for selected Y5&6  
PTA meeting – 6.45pm at Holt Road

### Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November

Music lessons at Holt Road  
Bedtime stories for Holt Road children –  
cancelled

### Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November

9.30-10.30am – New to Reception 2017 –  
come & visit us!  
Zagazoo Class – Forest Schools  
Drum lessons at Mill Lane  
2-3pm – New to Reception 2017 – come &  
visit us!

### Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November

Athletics Cluster event for selected Y5 & 6  
Year 5/6 Girls Football match HOME against  
West Earlham

### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November

Parent Reading – 8.45am – 8.55am – Year  
1&2  
(Year 1 please use the Gruffalo Cave  
classroom)  
Cross country Race at Falcon Junior for  
selected KS2 children

## Just a note.....

### Year 6 Shakespeare In Schools Production

Our Year 6 children did us proud on Tuesday night with their performance of Much Ado About Nothing at the Playhouse, as part of the Shakespeare in Schools project. The children had been rehearsing for the past few weeks making sure they really understood the motives behind their characters to ensure their lines were delivered with the appropriate emotions. Clearly this hard work paid off, as the school received a wonderful email from a parent who had come to watch their child from one of the other schools performing. They commented that *"the energy in the performance was breathtaking and the ability of the performers to bring the story alive was truly astounding."* They then went on to say that *"the quality of the performances for the lead characters was incredibly high and demonstrated standard beyond their years."* They said that although they enjoyed watching all of the schools perform they felt that ours *"in particular was a delight."* A huge well done to all the children and the Year 6 teachers and staff for their effort and dedication. It has been well worth it!

### New Library Holt Road Bedtime Story session

Unfortunately, due to a lack of interest, the Bedtime Story session on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November is cancelled. The children will start taking their books out of the library next week. A special thanks go to Doreen Willimott and Michelle Hales for volunteering much of their time to help get the library organised and new books categorised.

### Unwanted Visitors

We have had reports of head lice in school again. Please can you be vigilant in checking your child for head lice so we can eradicate these unwanted visitors from our classrooms. NHS advice can be found by following this link:

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/Head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx>

### Baby News

We would like to congratulate Mrs Fuller who has announced that she is pregnant with her first child which is due in April 2017.

## PTA News

### New school minibus

As you may have noticed we are now the proud owners of new school minibus. This has been purchased with the funds held in our PTA minibus account along with funding from the Nebula Partnership. We would like to say a huge thank you to PTA members and parents past and present, as without the constant fundraising year on year this purchase would not have been possible.

Our next PTA meeting is on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 6.45pm at Holt Road. All are welcome, as we will be starting to organise the Christmas Fayres and would appreciate any help parents/carers are willing to give us! You may have spotted on the school's Facebook page over the half term holiday that we are running the jam jar stall again this year. This is where we ask children to fill as many jars as they can with toys, sweets or gifts that they may not want any more or that they think other children may like to win. We are going to run a competition to see which class can bring in the most jars. The winning class will be able to choose a reward. If you have empty jam jars that you could donate for others to fill, please send them in to either office.

We are also asking for donations of chocolate, cuddly toys, raffle prizes and cakes please? We will let you know when to bring the cakes in, but any other donations are welcome at either site as soon as possible.

Thank you again in advance of your support.

## Reverse Advent Calendar Foodbank

Following on from Harvest and with Christmas fast approaching we are going to be collecting food to make an advent foodbank which can then be given to the foodbank to help people in need at this time of year.

You can either collect 24 items at home and bring a completed box into school, or bring in an item to add to our advent boxes already in school. Start your advent box on 7<sup>th</sup> November and add an item every day. Bring the box to school on 1<sup>st</sup> December ready to be delivered to foodbank in time for Christmas.

If you would like more information about this please follow this link to the EDP website.

[http://www.edp24.co.uk/features/time\\_to\\_open\\_a\\_reverse\\_advent\\_for\\_those\\_in\\_need\\_1\\_4758509](http://www.edp24.co.uk/features/time_to_open_a_reverse_advent_for_those_in_need_1_4758509)

Thank you for supporting your local community.



### House Points

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Blickling - 253
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sandringham - 318
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Holkham - 312
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Felbrigg - 208



### Attendance Award

Well done to Class 34L with 98.57% attendance this week.

### This week's certificate winners are:

Oscar Oliver, Morgan Pope, Ava Burnett, Sophie Keeble, James Gill, Sophie Owen, Oliver Jeff, George Heaver, Ruby Lacey, Douglas Crampton, Daniel Heather, Megan Scrivens, Caitlin Dack, Reece Buck, Jimmy Oliver, Tamzin Gray, Emma Middleton, Callum Harper, George Applegate, Jamal Sohna, Kieran Barrett-Brown and Lewin Razzell.

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### Christmas Card competition

Please see the information on the letter/entry form sent home with this newsletter regarding a Christmas Card competition run by Oyster Travel Agents. There are three age categories, 4-5yrs, 6-7yrs and 8+yrs. Each winning design will win a £25 Toys'r'us voucher and a goody bag. The three winning designs will also be made into Christmas cards to be sent to their clients this year and will be displayed in their shop. Mr Sabberton-Coe, a Parish Councillor for Old Catton, will be judging the entries. If your child would like to take part they will need to design their card on the template provided and return it to school by Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Paper copies can be collected from the office.

### Maddermarket Theatre Programme Cover Competition

We have been contacted by the Maddermarket to see if any of our children would be interested in designing the front cover of their Christmas production this year. The play is George's Marvellous Medicine! The winner will have their design printed on the cover of every programme, will receive a family ticket for the opening night of the production and meet the cast and have a backstage tour! Closing date for entries is Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Designs need to be sent to: Rebecca Wass, Maddermarket Theatre, St Johns Alley, Norwich, NR2 1DR.

### Poppy Appeal

As in previous years we are once again selling poppy related items through the Poppy Appeal at break and lunch times at both sites. The items range from 50p - £1. As the items are all very similar we are asking children to make sure they take them home so they do not get lost or muddled up with other peoples.

### Horsford Recreation Ground/Drayton Swimming Pool

You may have noticed from the links on our facebook page that there are two very local projects that have applied for Aviva funding through their community support scheme. Both projects have asked us to let you know about them and would like to ask for your votes. Please follow the links below to find out more information about how to vote. The closing date for getting your votes in is Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November.

Horsford Recreation Ground

<https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/voting/project/view/16-3540>

Drayton Swimming Pool

<https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/voting/project/view/16-2595>

### Cardboard boxes

Year 6 are looking for donations of cardboard boxes to help with one of their projects this half term. Any cereal, teabag or cereal bar boxes that you might be able to send in would be gratefully received.

### SEN Parent Drop Ins

Jenni Porter, our Executive Deputy for SEND, will be holding her SEN drop ins between 8.30-10am on 7<sup>th</sup> November at Hainford Primary, 14<sup>th</sup> November at Horsford Holt Road and 24<sup>th</sup> November at Old Catton Junior. See the flyer for more info.

## After school clubs' noticeboard

All clubs run until 4pm at Holt Road and 4.20pm at Mill Lane

Day	Holt Road	Mill Lane
Monday		
Tuesday	Gymnastics	Games Expressive Arts Disney Cooking
Wednesday		Singing – none this week Dance – last one til after xmas
Thursday		
Friday		