



## Calendar for next week

Monday 21 October

Tuesday 22 October

Wednesday 23 October

Thursday-Friday 24-25 October

4.10pm & 6pm Parents' Seminar - Assessment for Learning

House Quiz

10am Open Morning

Half Term commences at 4.10pm

Sports Holiday Club (book one or both days through the office)

## Dates for your diary

Monday 4 November

Wednesday 6 & Thursday 7 November

Friday 8 November

Term resumes

4.10pm onwards - Parents' Meetings with Form Teachers

9.15am Remembrance Service

6.30pm Bonfire Night & Fireworks (tickets on sale soon)



## Message from the Headmaster

We are indeed fortunate at this school to have the support of such an active PTFA and I would like to take this opportunity (this being the week of the PTFA Annual General Meeting) to wish our new Chair Michelle Narburgh and her committee every success and to thank Colin Hillier and his team for all that they have done for the school during the course of the last year. Every child at Henstead benefits on a daily basis from equipment that the PTFA has either partially or fully funded and I would urge all members of The Old School community to give of their time and talents in support of PTFA events. All help is welcome and bonfire night will soon be with us!

*Mr McKinney*

## Puppets of the Caribbean

While most of the upper school were testing their limits of endurance through field and flood at the recent cross country championships, a swarthy band of shipmates congregated in the Olde Arte Room to hatch a plan to terrorize the landlubbers of Friday morning assembly. With a crew of scurvy puppets they duly performed a mite of a sea shanty to the amusement of all. Recruitment to the crew of the Black Pig has tripled as a result.

*Cap'n B*



# Year One studies Kandinsky.



Art by Kandinsky



Interpretation by Skye, Year One

This week Year One has been working in the style of Wassily Kandinsky.

A Russian painter and graphic artist, born in 1866, he was one of the great masters of modern art and the outstanding representative of pure abstract painting that dominated the first half of the 20th century. Kandinsky created the painting entitled *Swinging* in 1925 (shown above). The

original is currently on display at the Tate Modern in London.

Year One has been looking at properties of 2D shapes during their maths lessons and has enjoyed cutting and sticking a variety of shapes in different colours to create this masterpiece!

How many different shapes can you see?

Miss Coxon



## Operation Christmas Child

This year, we will be supporting *Operation Christmas Child* - the world's largest children's Christmas project run by Samaritan's Purse - by filling shoe boxes full of gifts for those children not as fortunate as ours.

A leaflet will go home in the book bags next Monday explaining all, but in a nutshell...

- Please wrap an empty medium-sized shoe box and lid separately.
- Fill it with new gifts\* (see ideas on leaflet)
- You may include a greetings card/ photo of you and your family (optional).
- Please do not seal the box, but use an elastic band to keep the lid and box together.
- Affix a label from the leaflet (to indicate the age range and if your box is intended for a boy or girl).

Each box also requires a **£3.00 shipping donation**. You can pay this by cash or

cheque (using the envelope attached to the leaflet) and place it in your shoebox, or pay online at [www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk](http://www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk). If you do pay online, the website will automatically generate a barcode for you to print off and place inside your shoebox. Paying online also means that the charity will send you an email to let you know exactly where your gift was sent.

Your shoeboxes should be brought to school **first thing on Monday 18 November**. Any queries, please do not hesitate to ask me. I hope you enjoy filling your gift boxes with Christmas cheer!  
Miss Kay

\*No food, clothing (other than hats, gloves, caps or scarves), fragile items, liquids, sharp objects, anything of a political, racial or religious nature, medicines, books with many words or hand made or knitted stuffed toys.



# SPORTS ROUND UP

## Hockey & Football



### GIRLS HOCKEY

On Wednesday afternoon the Under 11 and under 9 girls played host to THLPS for their first competitive hockey match this year. The under 11 girls got off to a storming start with fantastic team work upfront between Honey and Lily G and by the half time whistle, we found ourselves 4-0 to the good. On the other pitch the Under 9 girls were finding the going a little harder. Irrespective of this, their heads never went down, and as the half time whistle went there was a still strong feeling of camaraderie and determination. THLPS are always tricky opponents; in the Under 11 match they staged a memorable fight back to level the game at 5-5 at the final whistle. The Under 9 girl's commitment paid off with two fantastic goals from Miss Drinkell, which gave the large crowd something to cheer about, and cheer they did.

At this level, development is the main priority and all the girls came away feeling that they had learnt a lot from the match. We look forward to putting our newly found knowledge into practice during our next fixture.

Many thanks as always for the fantastic support from parents. Irrespective of the downpour that was happening around them, they were never anything but enthusiastic and encouraging.

*Miss Goddard and Mr Hunter*

### FOOTBALL

At Youth Development level, players never pull their socks up over their knees (unless they hold a World Cup winner's medal). Nor do they underestimate the opposition, although the latter sometimes turn out to be stronger than was at first thought. It is more important to remind our young players that it is not where you start that matters, but where you finish. This tournament saw a steady improvement in game craft and skills during the course of the group matches. Angelic and Mr T (who wasn't getting in no plane, fool) were solid at the back and Gloves, Birdman and Gooner all took their turn in preventing the spheroid from entering the reticule. Beyblade, FAB and Wiley were strong up front. Penalty shoot outs are never fun for an Englishman and the Director of Football survived the occasion...just. We have further occasions to grow as a squad before the São Paulo invitation event in the summer. Henstead expects....

*From our Football Correspondent Mustafa Dribble*

# Reception demonstrate their problem solving skills on YouTube.



During Problem Solving Day last week, pupils from Reception worked in teams to get to the top of the Mound, without "falling into the water and getting eaten by crocodiles".

You can watch one of the teams in action on YouTube, either by clicking on the picture on the left, or on the following link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j6ulZePrJTE>.

They are showing tremendous potential after only one month in Reception! Well done.

## Open Morning



## Sports Holiday Club



## Parents' Seminar



Our next Open Morning will be held on Wednesday 23 October, the last day of term. Posters as well as new postcard versions have been sent out. Please let us know if you need additional copies. We would appreciate your help in spreading the word.

We will be running a Sports Holiday Club on Thursday 24 and Friday 25 October, from 9.30am to 3.30pm, for pupils from Reception to Year 6. The two days will consist of a variety of sports, including dodge ball, uni-hockey, bench ball, handball, badminton, basketball, ten pin bowling and more. Children may attend for individual days or both days. The course fee is £25 per day, bookable through the office.  
*Mr Hunter*

We are looking forward to welcoming parents to our first learning seminar *Assessment for Learning*. We will be discussing the new assessment programme at school and how it supports teaching and learning. Although aimed predominantly at parents of pupils in Year Two and above, all parents are most welcome to attend, either at 4.10pm or 6pm on Monday 21 October.  
*Mr Tiley-Nunn*

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**Friday 8 November 6.30pm**  
*Bonfire Night Party & Fireworks*  
(tickets on sale soon)

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**Monday 11 November 4.10pm**  
*PTFA Meeting*

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**Friday 15 November 11am**  
*Cake sale with choir singing in aid of Children in Need in Beccles*

**UNIFORM SHOP**

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Opening Times  
Mondays 0830-0930



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