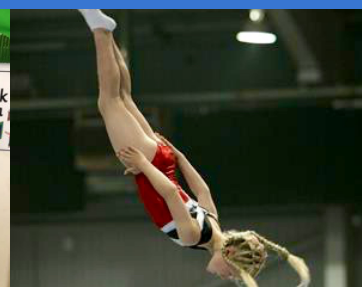




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Newsletter

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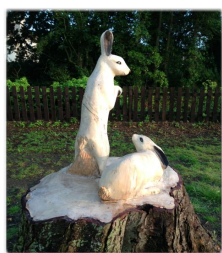


Dates for your diary

Monday 6 June	Term Resumes after Half Term
Tuesday 7 June	1.30 School Photograph
Tuesday 28 June	2.00 Nursery Sports Day
Wednesday 29 June	2.00 Sports Day
	3.00 Summer Fayre
Wednesday 6 July	Summer Shows
Thursday 7 July	Summer Shows
Friday 8 July	Speech Day
Saturday 9 July	Trinity College Music Examinations
	Henstock Festival

Message from the Headmaster

It was a pleasure to welcome so many members of the Henstead family to our Open Morning last Saturday. There was something for everyone. The Head of School, Charlotte, had special leave of absence, as she was winning trophies (along with her sister) at the IAPS finals in London, but our Year Six Leavers were in fine form and guided our guests skilfully. There was great interest (and some trepidation) as the Year Five dissection progressed - for some it was 'eyes down.' Year Four read from a selection of their literature spine texts and coped admirably with the challenge of outdoor lecterns and an adult audience. Our budding environmental artists from Year Three produced some fascinating results in a short time, whilst Year Two entertained us with their creative writing. Ms Thomson's classroom was transformed into a dig, as Year One demonstrated their palaeontological skills. The Reception Garden centre was open for business and doing brisk trade, ably supported by the Nursery children who were making some very fine bird feeders. Many of our guests commented on how well the older children helped to look after the younger years and this was clear from the fun of the House activities. A wonderful barbecue lunch thanks to our gallant PTFA to finish. Not one drop of rain. Jubilate. *Mr McKinney*



Are you ready?



Registered Charity 1083876

Our annual **Henstead Hike** takes place today in aid of **East Anglian Air Ambulance**.

In line with tradition all pupils (including Nursery) will take part in this challenge, starting at age-

appropriate points along the stunning 11 mile coastal route, between Benacre and Dunwich (via Southwold). Once again parents and grandparents are invited to join us on the walk.

Sponsorship forms for pupils have gone out. We have also set up a fundraising page online at:

www.virginmoneygiving.com/hensteadhike

Let's get fundraising!



Nursery News.



Super Veg!

To end our growing theme this half term Nursery decided to turn their vegetables into... Super Vegetables!

We read our 'Supertato' book for inspiration and then got creating. Lots of amazing superheroes emerged and we had fun naming them.

Some of the favourites were 'squash man' who squashed all the baddies and 'shark fast boy' who could swim deep underwater and jump higher than a kangaroo!

We suggested that perhaps if we ate our Super Vegetables we would get their super powers too, who knows?

Please report any Super Veg sightings!

Miss O'Mara and Miss Butcher



Transition Day – Which Way?.

Year Six



On Tuesday we went to Norwich for a transition day. We were challenged with a number of tasks to complete with no assistance from the teachers.

Our first task was to arrange transport to get to Norwich. We decided to catch the 9:52am train from Oulton Broad North to Norwich station. Izzy had the task of buying the tickets.



The train arrived on time and we made our way to Norwich Cathedral.

We easily found the cathedral and came across a company looking at the Peregrine Falcons on top of the cathedral. They had just had chicks and it was an amazing sight to see.

We then learnt about the two famous cathedral gates. The Erpingham gate at the left and the Ethlebert gate on the right.



Our main activity for the day was to find landmarks in Norwich which included: the market, the Royal Arcade, Castle Mall and Chapelfield Gardens. We also had a shopping list comprising baby socks, a pig's ear, a pocket sized notebook, a phillips screwdriver, a bar of soap, a pair of shoelaces and a 13 amp fuse.

Our first destination was Castle Mall. While walking we spotted a Boots store in which we bought a bar of soap for 50p.

We came out into Castle Mall and found a Poundworld, where we managed to buy the pig's ear, phillips screwdriver, baby socks

and seven pocket sized notebooks. Now only two items left!

After all this walking, Miss Clifton and Mr Jensen were in need of a drink so we temporarily stopped at Starbucks to buy them a drink.

Back on track and we went in to the Royal Arcade and spotted the market and Norwich Castle.

We made our way over to the market in search of lunch and shoelaces (which we managed to obtain for free) with only £2.00 to spend. Sausage and chips were a favourite and all of us had one or the other.

We asked a Norwich tour guide where we could buy a 13 amp fuse. He replied with a positive answer of "Thorns".

We wandered over there and bought the last items on our shopping list. We somehow managed to do it for £5.49!

We had enough money left over to buy each of us a McFlurry from McDonalds.

After the delicious treat we headed towards Chapelfield Gardens. We found it smoothly thanks to Theo but unfortunately didn't have enough time to reach our last destination, Elm Hill.

We took the 2:55pm train back to Oulton Broad North. We were all shattered and exhausted.

All in all a successful day!

Year Six



SPORTS ROUND UP

Trampolining & Rounders



TRAMPOLINING

Whilst the rest of the school was busy at our Open Day, the Warnes sisters were competing at the IAPS National Trampolining Championships at the Royal Russell School in Surrey.

Charlotte was up first. With a class of 71 girls, there were three groups over the course of the morning. Topping her group - the first one to jump - we waited nervously until after lunch to find out the result. Pike, straddles, half twist on to seat.

As Charlotte slipped to second place, it was Rebecca's turn to take the stage. She has been jumping for less than a year, so a top ten finish would have been an excellent result. There were shouts of delight and amazement as she shot up the leader board to take second place.

The tension in the group increased as we sat through the last Under 11 group to jump. Charlotte was now in third place. Could she hold on? Of course she could. Two girls, two medals, that is a success by any standards. I'm sure the school will be back again next year. *Miss Goddard*

ROUNDERS

On Friday afternoon we played host to Hethersett Old Hall, the first mixed rounders fixture against this school. With an eye to the Inter-house competition

later this term, we tried to give as many of the children an opportunity to play.

At the bottom of the field, our Under 9's took control of the first match, with both Freddy and Archie getting rounders. Skye was a demon with the ball, displaying a level of bowling far superior to her age. Joe found himself in the perfect spot at the perfect time and took a beauty of a catch.

The second match was memorable for the tremendous teamwork displayed. Most noticeable were Rachael, Tabby, and Matthew, who united to stump several of the opposition out.

At the other end of the field were the Under 11's. Put in to bat, it was not long before the opposition realised that they were in for a bumpy afternoon. Our batting was absolutely phenomenal and it was only the superb fielding from Hethersett that kept the score in single figures. The use of the 'Goddard Rule', where rounders can be scored in the field, ensured that all players were fully focused on the game. Particular mention must go to Jack who terrorised the right field and also contributed to the many catches of the day.

A change of personnel at the break saw a slight reversal of fortune and Hethersett began to influence the game more. A 6 rounder lead soon got reduced to only 1 and a half, but a last minute catch secured the well-deserved win for the home team. Congratulations to all the children on a super afternoon of sport. - *Mr Hunter*





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Summer Fayre

Wednesday 29 June

3.30-5.30pm following Sports Day

Children's Art

Exhibition - theme "Summer" - with art on sale at the end of the day.

Afternoon teas

Mini Produce Show - children's baking, crafts, miniature garden, home grown fruit & vegetables. Don't forget to enter!



Gunge the Headmaster

Football Shoot Out

Face Painting

Plate Smashing

Coconut Shy

Welly Wanging

Bottle Stall

Frog in a Bog

Lucky Dip

Raffle

Cakes

Popcorn & Candy Floss

and much, much more!





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Mini Produce Show

at the Summer Fayre

As part of our Summer Fayre, there will be a mini produce show, giving pupils the chance to show off their culinary, gardening or creative skills!

All entries should be home made or grown, and be the work of the entrants themselves.



Class 1 - Miniature Garden
(children all ages)
Maximum size 30cm x 30cm

Class 2 – Baking (age 7 and under)
6 decorated home baked biscuits -
theme - 'The Queen at 90'

Class 3 - Baking (age 8-11)
6 decorated home baked cupcakes -
theme - 'The Queen at 90'

Class 4 – Home Grown Produce
(children all ages) Best group of home
grown fruit or vegetables

Class 5 – Home Grown Produce
(children all ages) Most unusual fruit or
vegetable

Class 6 – Decorated Flower Pot
(children all ages)



Winners will be announced at the end of the Summer Fayre. Unless otherwise requested by entrants, all entries will be sold or auctioned off at the end of the Summer Fayre, and any monies added to Summer Fayre funds.

**Submit your entries to the School Hall
between 1.15 & 1.45pm on Wednesday 29 June**



Pedagogical Ponderings.

Today marks an important day in the Henstead calendar – our annual Henstead Hike.

This year, we are raising money for the East Anglian Air Ambulance service, a worthy charity that deserves to be well supported. With fundraising comes the responsibility of searching for sponsors, collection of money, and of course actually taking part in the event itself – all 11+ miles! But we must reassure ourselves, it is all worth it. Service to the community, such as tomorrow's hike, is an integral part of educating young people. Without dedicated public support and financial backing for NGOs, many crucial services that are offered to our communities would cease to exist. I believe that we have a moral obligation to support these whenever we can. The sooner pupils learn this, the

more likely they are going to support charities as they get older.

Many of our young people will continue to learn and demonstrate service when they move on to their senior schools through programmes such as the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. I hope that throughout the hike today, our pupils will think about the service that they are doing for our East Anglian community, from King's Lynn to Colchester, Cambridge to Cromer. I also hope that they will consider other ways that they might be able to offer some service in the years to come, whether it be as part of a school, or service on their own.

Mr Jensen

Worm Ways



Ask any Year Three pupil what they were up to in this photograph? Clue: It's linked to their wormery in the Science Lab (see pic below)!



Turning the Tables



Thank you to our wonderful PTFA for the gift of a collection of superb wooden picnic tables for our garden. They provide great social spaces for pupils to enjoy their break snacks and discussions as well as for our many outdoor social and sports events.

Mascot Awards

The mascots will be back after their half term break, when they will be awarded each week to pupils best demonstrating our last value of the year - Excellence.

New Menus



Menus for the delicious lunches planned for our return after half term are now viewable on our website: (click on link below)
<http://theoldschoolhenstead.co.uk/lunch-menu/>

PTFA News Extra

Queen's 90th Birthday Tea Party Friday 10 June 3.30-5pm
RSVP by 3 June please.

Summer Fayre, Mini Produce Show & Children's Art Exhibition Wednesday 29 June (Following Sports Day)

Henstock Festival Saturday 9 July Save the date!



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