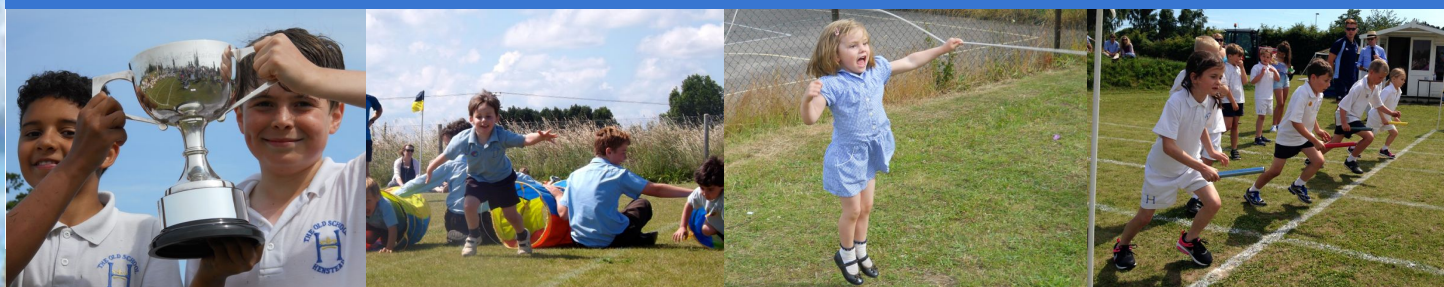




# The Old School Henstead

## Newsletter

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**NOTE:** The School Photograph will be re-taken on Monday. Order of dress is summer dress with blazers.

### Calendar for next week

Monday 7 July

Wednesday 9 July

Thursday 10 July

Friday 11 July

10:50 School Photograph (summer dress with blazers)

2pm Senior Show - '59 Caddy

6.30pm Junior Show - *The Undoing of Squire Wrekin*

9am Leavers' Assembly

2pm Junior Show - *The Undoing of Squire Wrekin*

7pm Senior Show - '59 Caddy

Speech Day (all pupils should wear summer uniform with blazers)

12.20pm collect children for family picnics on field

1.35pm children return to classrooms

2pm Speech Day ceremony begins

Term Ends

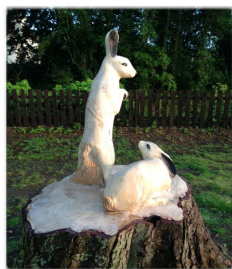
### Dates for your diary

Monday 14 - Friday 18 July

Monday 8 September

Holiday Club (must be booked via the Office)

Autumn Term Begins



### Message from the Headmaster

The two Sports Days have certainly showcased excellence - Nursery led the way with a range of hotly contested races, warmly supported by the school and an excellent turnout of family members and supporters. The field was in fine nick, thanks to the tireless efforts of Messrs Hunter and Baxter - even the vegetable garden had begun to flourish! House spirit was very much to the fore in the main school events and there were indeed excellent performances in many of the events. We are greatly looking forward to the children's cycling activities and to the Henstead Hundred.

Mr McKinney





# Animal Magic.



Years One and Two headed off to Henstead Arts and Crafts Centre last week to immortalise their class mascots in pottery.

Year Two kicked off the creativity with a colourful range of Dart the Dolphins, while Year One sat in the open-air courtyard of *The Shed*, eating Ellen's homemade chocolate cake and drinking squash. After an hour of painting, the groups swapped and Topper led Year One into the art room. There were lots of traditionally painted giraffes, as well as a few rainbow versions.



The pottery will be returned to school before the end of term, so hopefully we'll be able to include a picture of their handiwork in the final newsletter.

Huge thanks to Sally, at *Paint and Create*, and Ellen at *The Shed*. Delicious cake!

*Miss Coxon, Miss Kay and Mrs Mills*





# Year One explores with woodland friends.



Year One had a fun-filled morning at Ringsfield Hall with Molly Mushroom and Carol Squirrel. The children were in their old clothes ready for an adventure in the great outdoors. Molly Mushroom was already waiting to greet us off the minibus and then took the children to make their Tree Cookies! Each child was then crowned king or queen of a particular plant or animal.

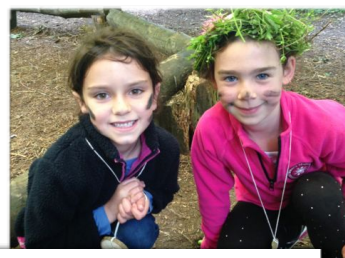
Molly Mushroom explained to the children that she was off on holiday to visit some woodland friends and the children eagerly helped her pack her suitcase and were given a map of the woods to help them on their journey. Using the map, they guided Molly Mushroom to meet her first friend Carol Squirrel.

Using magic, Carol turned all the children into little squirrels and set them straight to work; building her a home, finding her food and then burying it for her to enjoy later. They then set off

again to meet a very elderly owl. She needed help to hunt so the children were taught to swoop and glide before they pounce!

After all that hard work, the children were invited to have refreshments. They consisted of pond water, goat's wee, beetle juice and mud biscuits! After many strange and uncertain looks from the children, they were assured that it's all just pretend!

After more imaginative activities, we all had our lunch on picnic blankets and then enjoyed exploring the rest of the grounds. It was a marvellous morning and we all got into the imaginative woodland spirit. A huge thank you to Molly Mushroom and Carol Squirrel for giving us such a memorable trip. Also well done to all of Year One for once again being a delight to take out on these adventures. *Miss Coxon*





# SPORTS ROUND UP

## Nursery Sports Day



### NURSERY SPORTS DAY... READY STEADY GO!

The children were brimming with excitement as they prepared for the launch of the nursery sports day.

On a Space theme, it began with a Moon and Spoon race and ended with a spectacular Pass the Planet relay.

All the children embraced the spirit of sports day, whether it meant running the races or cheering for their friends.

We would like to thank everyone who helped us, Mr Hunter, Miss Coxon, Miss Goddard, Miss O'Mara, Mrs Holcombe and of course all the parents for their continual support. The biggest cheer must go to the children!

*Mrs Rawlings and Miss Butcher*



# SPORTS ROUND UP

## Sports Day



## SPORTS DAY RESULTS

Place	Team	Points
1st	Waveney	79
2nd	Orwell	76
3rd	Yare	59
4th	Deben	45

It was a splendid day. Glorious sunshine and the house teams were in fine voice in support of their competitors. After the morning events of Long Jump, Shot Putt,

Rounders Ball, Cricket Ball, High Jump and the 600m race, the afternoon schedule was devoted to Hurdles, Relays, 50m and 150m races, plus several spectacular fun races.

The boys and girls gave of their best, whether it was over hurdles or on the flat over shorted or longer distances. The fun races from the younger years were a real highlight, with Reception and Year One choosing the cycling challenge theme and year Two the World Cup. Most keenly contested were the inter-house relays and it was the final one of these that ultimately decided the destination of the trophy. Well done to all those who took part and thanks to all the teachers and Mr. Hunter in particular for the organisation of the day.  
*Mr McKinney*



# SPORTS ROUND UP

## Cricket Trip



### NORTHANTS T20 CRICKET BLAST

On Friday afternoon a very excited bus full of children and adults set off for Northamptonshire. Their destination was the County Ground to watch The Steelbacks take on the might of The Durham Dynamos - between buying the tickets and attending the match, Durham had decided they had had enough of being dynamic and had changed to being The Jets - in a T20 blast cricket match.

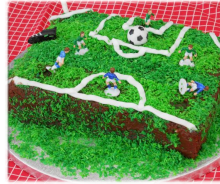
The journey was uneventful, but the moment we pulled up for dinner, the heavens opened up in biblical proportions. Thunder, lightning, and rain that the best windscreen wipers in the world could not have kept up with, caused the start time to be postponed by one and a quarter hours. We used this time to take a good look around the ground, peruse the gift shop and meet some of the players. After a display from the cheerleaders, of which the children were very keen spectators, the match finally got underway at 7.45pm.

The Steelbacks were on fire. The first wicket fell in the second over and three more followed in quick succession, the biggest scalp being Paul Collingwood going for a golden duck. Unfortunately, the sun soon disappeared to be replaced by black clouds and the match was called off after only 9 overs played. It may have been short, but so very sweet. An absolutely fantastic experience for all.

A midnight return to school and a sleepover, (if you could call it that!) was followed by a breakfast of bacon rolls and orange juice before everyone went home. It was truly the longest school day ever.

*Mr Hunter*

# Summer Fayre Fun



## Henstead Hike



May we ask families to submit their sponsorship funds for the Henstead Hike as soon as possible - either by cheque (payable to *Walking With The Wounded*) dropped into the school Office (no cash please) or online at [www.virginmoneygiving.com/team/HensteadHike](http://www.virginmoneygiving.com/team/HensteadHike). So far we've raised £1,495. We're aiming to beat last year's total of almost £3,000.

## Henstead Hundred



To sponsor today's Henstead Hundred fundraising event, simply click on the link below or speak to any of the cyclists taking part. All contributions to the school's building fund are appreciated.  
<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/displayEventDetails.action?eventId=18524&charityId=1006950&invocation=evt0050>

**Thank you**



Thank you to Mr & Mrs Bird for the generous donation of Fruit Shoots last week.

## Retirement



Pupils from Reception and Year One gathered to wish Mrs Freakley a happy retirement and to thank her for all wonderful dance classes over the years. We send our best wishes for a healthy and restful retirement.

## Next Newsletter

Next week's newsletter will be published during the week following the end of term, to ensure that photographs from the shows and Speech Day can be included.

## PTFA

### News Extra

**Summer Fayre** A huge thank you to everyone who created, contributed to or manned a stand at Wednesday's Summer Fayre.

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