



The Old School Henstead

Newsletter

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Calendar for next week

Tuesday 25 June	9.00 Nursery Photograph 1.30 Nursery, Reception & Year 1 Swimming 2.15 Years 4,5 & 6 Swimming Gala 2.30 Years 2 & 3 Gymnastics
Wednesday 26 June	10.30 School Photograph 1.30 Sports Day & Summer Fayre 4.00 Tea followed by Pupils v Parents Cricket
Thursday 27 June	New Pupils' Afternoon (current pupils also spend the afternoon with their new form teachers for the Autumn Term).

Dates for your diary

2-4 July	Summer Shows
Friday 5 July	Speech Day
Saturday 6 July	Henstock
	Trinity Music Examinations
8-12 & 15-19 July	Holiday Club (please return your booking forms as soon as possible before 3 July)



Message from the Headmaster

The sheer enthusiasm and energy of our children is a constant source of inspiration to us at this most busy time of the year. It is the season when reports are being written, timetables planned for the year to come and developments for the future of the school moving forward, but also one in which the excitement of the shows and the preparations for Speech Day, the Summer Fayre and Henstock have really caught the imagination of the boys and girls. We could not ask for a better finish!

Mr McKinney

Rehearsals are well underway for our Summer Shows - *Caddy '59* and *Peter Pan*. Booking forms out now.



Dress to Impress.

We were delighted to launch our new summer dress - designed and tailored for us in the UK. The delicate blue floral print, manufactured in Europe with eco-friendly inks, complements our brown blazers, with the Peter Pan collar fitting neatly at the neckline.



Special Delivery.



We were delighted to welcome a new minibus this week, to add to our fleet!

We are most grateful for the support and generosity of parents and the PTFA, who have contributed to this wonderful new asset.

It has been fitted with the latest safety, comfort and technological features and will be a great support to our curriculum - be it trips for our youngest learners to local venues and sports fixtures, or our boldest adventurers on the latest outdoor challenge.



Nursery News.

Trip to Redwings Horse Sanctuary



The boys and girls enjoyed their afternoon at Redwings Horse Sanctuary this week. Horses and unicorns have always been very popular and used in role play. The children were excited to get the chance to see and stroke the horses and ponies. Some of the children were a little apprehensive to touch the horses at first, but after watching their friends enjoy stroking them, everyone enjoyed touching the soft noses and stroking the horses necks. One little pony was particularly playful and put on a performance especially for us, running back and forth flicking his head from side to side.



We also met two poorly horses - Donna and Arthur - who unfortunately have laminitis. The children noticed the horses were not on a grassy field like the others and asked why. One of the Redwing employees caring for the horses told us that they need to be on softer ground and also have special medicine to stop their joints from hurting. He showed us how, by hiding the medicine in something tasty, they persuade the animals to take it.



Another successful trip out into the local community with very happy, well behaved children who make us proud.



Nursery News.

Urban Visit



What a well behaved group of children we took to Beccles Town.

They were interested in all the sights and sounds, asking questions about their surroundings and pointing out new things that they were seeing.



We made our shopping list for our lunch before we went and headed into the minibus, which when you are small is one of the most exciting ways to travel! We visited Tesco, St Michaels' Church, the playground area for lunch and an ice cream, then the library for some restful story time before heading home!



Mrs Vorster and Miss Butcher





Reception Roundup.



As we head into our final weeks of Reception we have enjoyed reflecting on the year and all that we have achieved. A genuine example of this term's values of excellence and explanation in practice, as the children see how their reading, writing and maths have developed.



We continue to enjoy the fruits of our labour and radishes continue to be enjoyed at snack time - we even got to sample some raspberries from James' garden.



Sunflowers continue to grow and are a welcome topic in maths and English. We created our own bar chart to compare the heights of our flowers.



Fantastic clean fun was had on Tuesday as we played with mouldable soap and on Friday we made our own slime. In art we made clay tiles and collected different objects from the school field to create patterns.

Mrs Scriven





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SUMMER FAYRE

3.30PM

WEDNESDAY 26TH JUNE

Family Cricket

Wood-fired Pizza

Bar

Baking Contest

Raffle

Games & Stalls



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SATURDAY 6TH JULY FROM 1PM

HENSTOCK 2019

Children's Entertainment
from 'The Tricky Twister'
Music from 'Catch 22'

Seniors Playlist Party!
Pop-up Gin Bar
Auction of Promises



Adults £10 Children £5
Early Bird Discount
until Friday 7th June
(£8 and £4)

Pitch tents from 1pm
Entertainment from
3.30pm
Food available to
purchase. BYOB

Mascot Awards.

Mascots were awarded this week to the pupils best demonstrating our school values for this half term - **Excellence & Explanation:**



Reception: Rohan for a clear explanation of his time in Reception.

Year 1: Caitlin for her excellent writing and times table work.

Year 2: Georgina for an excellent start to her new school.

Year 3: Amelie for excellence in maths - having a go at an extension assessment.

Year 4: Wills for excellent development in his cricketing skills.

Year 5: Francis for excellence in attempting to speak publicly whilst debating.

Year 6: Rebecca for excellence in her year-long job as Head of the School Council.

Gold Awards



Congratulations to Samuel and Ariane for achieving Gold Certificates for 15 A1's.

Summer Show Tickets



Please return your booking forms for tickets for the Summer Shows as soon as possible.

Cricket



Our annual Pupils v Parents & Staff cricket match will take place directly after Sports Day and the Summer Fayre at 4.00 on Wednesday 26 June. It is always a fun event and Mr Hunter would be pleased to hear from any parents interested in playing. Spectators are also most welcome.

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Times
Term Time

Mondays 8.15-9.15
Thursdays 3.15-4.15

PTFA Prize Request



The PTFA would be very grateful for any of the following donations for the Summer Fayre and Henstock:

- Raffle prizes
- Toys or games for the games tombola
- Any small patio plant pots or bedding plants for the plant tombola
- Lots for the Auction of Promises!

Volunteers Needed!

If you are free to help man one of the Summer Fayre stalls this week, even for part of the time after Sports Day on Wednesday afternoon, there is a sign-up sheet in the office with the list of stalls where help is needed. We thank you for your support.



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