



# THE OLD SCHOOL HENSTEAD

INDEPENDENT PREPARATORY SCHOOL



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What a delight to see so many happy faces arrive on Monday morning in readiness for the second half of the Summer Term.

The school is buzzing with excitement and anticipation as we rapidly approach a multitude of major school events. Our first being tomorrow's Open Day, an opportunity for you to join us as the boys and girls take part in a variety of specially planned engaging activities.

I look forward to welcoming you all.

- Miss Clifton





## Key Dates:

**Saturday 10th June** - School Open Morning

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**Thursday 15th June** - Year 3 and 4 trip to Go Ape and Thetford Forest

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**Thursday 15th June** - Year 4 and 6 Camp Night

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**Friday 16th June** - Reception trip to Bewilderwood

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**Tuesday 20th June** - Concert by pupils of Mrs Lincoln  
(Singing and Piano)

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**Tuesday 27th June** - Concert by pupils of Miss Bullen  
(Violin and Guitar)

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**Friday 23rd June** - Sports Day and Summer Fair

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**Thursday 29th June** - School Disco - 5pm to 6pm

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**Monday 3rd July** - EYFS Concert

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**Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th July** - Frozen Jr!

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**Friday 7th July** - Speech Day

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**Monday 10th July to Friday 14th July** - Holiday Club

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JOIN US FOR OUR

# *Sports Day & Summer Fair*

FRIDAY 23RD JUNE



BBQ,  
GAMES,  
STALLS

Sports day starting at  
1.30pm, followed by our  
Summer Fair

- Join us for lots of fun including
- face painting • cake sale
  - football shootout • hook a duck
  - sponge the teacher • treasure map • bbq and much much more!



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Year Two had a wonderful day out at Thrigby Hall this week. There were so many amazing animals to see, with our favourites being the tigers, alligators and red pandas. We couldn't believe how close we could get to the tigers! We noticed how big their paws are - bigger than some of our hands! The alligators were also huge!! However, there were also some quite small crocodiles that some of us wanted to take home with us as pets! The snow leopards were lovely and we enjoyed watching them being fed some pieces of chicken. There was a young leopard there too who was about 18 months old. The monkeys entertained us with the acrobatics, although I think we took some of our own monkeys with us too who were able to hang upside down on the ropes!! A great day was had by all!

- Mrs Solomon





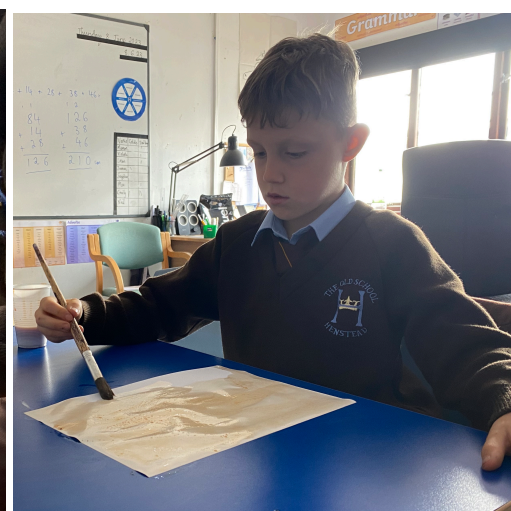






This term, Year Four are exploring stories of liberation. To begin the week, we read Jane Addam's award winning Henry's Freedom Box which explores the true story of a slave escaping their master by posting himself in a box to a safer land. The children deeply engaged with the topic and wrote letters imagining that they were the slave and recounted the inspiring and challenging story. The language and tone of the letters were powerful and moving and are indicative of how strong the children are at writing creatively and empathetically. The class rarely fail to impress me with their writing.

- Mr Hunt







# Achievements

## LAMDA Exams

A big congratulations to our pupils who recently took their LAMDA exams. A record breaking year with x8 Distinctions and x2 High Merits. Well Done Bella, Ruby, Ted, Christabel, Sam, Emily, Louis, James, Jayden and Margot.



Well Done  
to Jayden  
who  
received his  
Silver  
Certificate  
this week.







# Pony Club

This week in Pony Club the children were able to put their Road Safety training into practice, as we left the stables and went for a hack. We rode past the school and stopped to take a picture!



Ottilie with her wonderful drawing of Spotty! Featuring Spotty himself.







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# **SCHOOL** **DISCO**

**THURSDAY 29TH JUNE**

**5PM – 6PM**

**£3 PER PERSON**

**TUCK SHOP AVAILABLE  
(BRING PENNIES!)**





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