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Dear Parents,

I am incredibly proud to work with such a fantastic community. This has been a very busy few weeks and I would like to thank you all for your enthusiasm and support.

George Freeman visit

Last Friday afternoon, George Freeman, the Member of Parliament for Mid Norfolk, met with myself, Peter Meacock (Chair of Governors) and Andrew Thurston to discuss some 'topical' education issues. We also visited a few of the classrooms before venturing in to Kingfisher where the children questioned him about how and why he became an MP as well as his opinion on Brexit! He didn't get off lightly and was very impressed by the standard of behaviour and attitudes of the class.



We have also received an email about a Christmas card competition that he has organised.

The winning design and two runners-up will appear on the front and reverse of the 2016 Christmas Cards. He is also offering the winner an invitation to join him for a tour of Parliament and tea on the Terrace of the House of Commons with three other guests of their choice. The two runners-up will be awarded a £10 book token. Mr Freeman hopes he might be able, in a small way, to help inspire some budding artists (and democrats!) in the next generation.

- The card itself must be **hand drawn** on a **blank white A4 piece of paper/card**.
- Every entry must have the child's **name, age, school name** and **card title** written on the **back** of the card design.
- Return to school by Friday 4th November 2016.

Good luck!



Wymondham Cluster Extended Schools
www.wymondhamcluster.org

Headteacher: Miss Julia Brooks
Chair of Governors: Mr Peter Meacock



Harvest Festival



Thank you to all the parents that joined us for our harvest festival. The children enjoyed sharing their poem, facts and songs with you. And yes, we did manage to raise enough money to fund the Magic Square. A grand total of £228.73



Book Week

During this week we have introduced Readathon, decorated our classroom doors with well-known book covers, read favourite books, met an author, practised books in different languages, shared books, introduced competitions and bought books from Kett's books in Wymondham. Hopefully these photographs shed a little more light.



KS 2 with
Luke Temple



Yesterday I received an email from Luke complimenting the School: Thank you for our visit to Wicklewood on Tuesday. We were thrilled to be back again ... and to have such an enthusiastic audience. KS2 involved themselves thoroughly in the presentation, both 'on and off the stage'. The book signing went well and all the children waited patiently to have their books signed. A big thank you for helping to make the visit such a success.

Reading Café in Wren



Querido Zoo (Greenfinch)



And of course the book characters!



If you haven't had a chance to look at the classroom doors please find a spare few minutes to do so.



The **Aviva Community Fund** offers communities the chance to secure funding for an important cause so The Friends have kindly put together a bid for us to enter a £25,000 to help us to develop our library and ICT provision.

PLEASE can you find a spare moment (or two) to vote for us. The more votes we get the more chance we have of 'winning'. Everyone can cast 10 votes!

This is the link <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/16-1359>

Watch Tilly Butler and Anna Wayne voice our wish!

Coming up!

School biscuit sales!

Hello my name is Jenny Martin and I, along with an excellent team, help to run the biscuit sales throughout the school year. We have lots of new parents and children at the school at the moment and so I thought it would be a good idea to let you know some more information about the biscuit sales if you don't know already. (Plus a gentle reminder and plea if you already do!)

The biscuit sales take place on a Thursday at break about 4 times a year (and after school if any biscuits are left). Donations of homemade or shop bought biscuits are brought in to school in the morning of the sale and placed in the staff room in a named container. These then need to be collected at the end of the day.

Anyone is welcome to contribute to the 'Stock' even if you are not a member of the FRIENDS. In my experience it is a really nice way of getting involved in school events if you haven't got much time or you do not want to commit too much. The biscuits are then sold to our children for 50p or 30p and the money raised is pumped back into the school. Last year the biscuit sales alone raised an amazing £455!

The next biscuit sale is on Thursday 3rd November and I would love it if you could let me know if you would be happy to help with baking (buying) some biscuits. Our theme is 'Bonfire Biscuits' but please don't feel any pressure as it isn't 'The bake off!'.

My email address is jvivers@hotmail.com.

Don't forget to send your child in with some money that day too. Flyers will be in book bags to remind you!

The Christmas Disco – Friday 9th December



Dates for your diary

- 2.12.16 Decorations Day
- 4.12.16 Christmas Fayre (**now confirmed**)
- 7.12.16 KS1 Christmas performance - evening
- 8.12.16 KS1 Christmas performance – afternoon
- 9.12.16 Christmas Disco
- 13.12.16 Wren Nativity
- 14.12.16 Carol Service at the Village Hall

And finally, I'd like to wish you all an enjoyable half term holiday.

Kind regards,

