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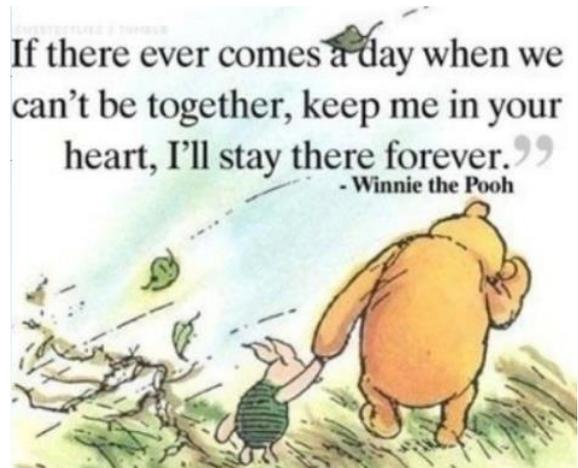


23.2.18

Dear Parents and Carers,

OUR NEW VALUE

Hopefully your child will have told you about our new value. This half term the children will be learning about how to show understanding. The assembly that was shared with all the children and staff on Monday is now on the school website. Encourage your child to watch it again with you and discuss some of the things that they have already learnt this week. Winnie the Pooh is our 'character' of choice as there are so many wonderful quotes and behaviours that link to this value.



Sports for Champions

On Friday 9th February Laura Samuel, British Triple Jump champion, visited our school. The morning was very active and loud, with motivational music keeping the children going! She was an incredibly motivational speaker and will hopefully have motivated some of your children to try something new or continue to do more of the same. We raised a staggering £687 of which we keep £157.20. This money will be spent on games and activities for playtimes. Thank you to everyone who supported this event.



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



New lunch time arrangements

This week we have introduced a new lunch time arrangement with all children, whether packed or hot dinner, eating in the hall with their peers. The younger children continue to eat at midday, with years 2, 3 and 4 eating at 12.15p.m and years 5 and 6 at 12.30p.m. Children are encouraged to take their time to eat and socialise, with no one rushing out to play! This has also 'freed up' more of the midday supervisors to interact with the children outside and help them with their play.

Greenfinch gain 2 ... guinea pigs!

Before half term, Holly Barger and her mum kindly brought in their pet guinea pigs, Susan and Elsie, to show Greenfinch Class. The children learnt a lot about these animals, from their diet to their exercise routine. The children were very respectful of the animals and thoroughly enjoyed getting to see them up close.



Lapwing gains 1... dog!

Just before half term Lapwing had a visit from Luna, a very well behaved husky who as you can see from the photos had a very clear understanding of RESPECT and UNDERSTANDING! Thank you to Elissa for sharing her with us.



Children's safety

It has come to our attention that a few children who come to school by car are not wearing seatbelts. I am sure that I do not need to remind you that this is against the law and I would hate to think that any of you got in to trouble with the police or, even worse, were involved in an accident where you and your children were seriously injured. Please do drive safely.

La Chandeleur – 21.2.18

What an amazing day! As you will see from the comments below, the children were totally engaged and enthusiastic about all the activities.

"I enjoyed all of the games because you had lots of fun whilst learning" Georgie
"I have learnt the ingredients and toppings on crepes. I loved everything we did" Ellen
"I loved today especially the topping part learning the names of them" Liam
"I've enjoyed everything! Especially the pancakes! I've learnt so much, thank you to Miss Downing, I'd really like to do this again!" Helen
I really enjoyed today. It was really fun. I learnt a lot of new words and a lot of things about Le Chandeleur" Poppy
"I really enjoyed the Mission Impossible and the P.E" Hugo
"I liked PE and the music and the dance" David
"My favourite thing was EVERYTHING" Milly
"I liked eating the pancake and the scavenger hunt. Thank you Mrs Downing" Holly
"I loved all of it. Today it was great" Theo



A special 'thank you' to Mrs Downing for arranging the day, and to the Hingham and Wymondham Co-op for the very kind donations of the pancake ingredients.

Chinese New Year in Robin Class

We have been exploring the value of understanding this week in Robin class. Charlotte's Mum Marisa, visited Robin Class on Thursday morning to help us extend our understanding of another culture by looking at the Chinese New Year. We learnt about the story behind the Chinese New Year and the Chinese zodiac. We have lots of little Rabbits and Dragons in Robin class! We then made pellet drums, practised



our chopstick skills and learnt to count and



say some simple phrases in Cantonese. The children also got to bring home a fortune cookie, a lucky red envelope and special coin to bring luck and wealth. We had a great time and would like to say a big thank you to Marisa for providing all of the resources, her time and expertise.



Oscar Woodeson – Breaststroke Champion!

Yesterday Oscar represented Wicklewood in the South Norfolk Cluster event. As you can see he did incredibly well. A 2nd place (missed 1st by a whisker) in his year 4 breaststroke & a 1st in the year 4 relay (won with 1/2 pool length to spare). Wymondham Cluster were declared overall winners out of the seven Clusters who entered!!

Apparently Oscar has the taste for gold, as he says he is going for the double next year!! We can't wait!

Learning reviews

Thank you to everyone who completed the questionnaire whilst at the review evenings. Your thoughts and comments are well received and appreciated. Once I have reported the information to the Governing Body I will share it with you. I will then arrange some Parent Forums where we can discuss how we continue to improve our school. There were a few comments made that I would love to follow up but unfortunately these were anonymous. For those of you who did add your name and had a query I have hopefully managed to contact you but if I haven't please do call me. If you would like to discuss anything further and forgot to add your name please do the same.

The winner of the prize draw was Catherine Warburton, mum to Emily in Wren class.

Coming Up

World Book Day – Thursday 1st March 2018



Just to remind you that we would love the children to dress up as their favourite book (not film) character to celebrate this event.

SPORTS RELIEF – watch this space!

We will be doing something during the week of March 19th 2018 to recognise this charity.



100 Club – January winners

£15 Karl Pocock
£10 Lesley Robbins
£5 Bruno Silva

Dates for your diary

27.2.18	Robin visit to Pizza Express	Easter holiday	29.3.18 – 13.4.18
2.3.18	Quiz and Chips ('Friends' event)	Summer half term	28.5.18 – 1.6.18
W/B 5.3.18	Nursery - Learning Reviews	Summer holiday	25.7.18
	Nursery – Mother's Day breakfasts		
	Road Safety events across the school		
12.3.18	Kestrel attend Robotics event		
14.3.18	Greenfinch and Lapwing – Map Skills		
15.3.18	Swift visit Seamere		
23.3.18	Holt Hall parent meeting (Lapwing)		
26.3.18	Kingfisher attend Robotics event		

Year 6 transition dates - Thursday 19th, Friday 20th, Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th July for Wymondham High Academy, and Thursday 19th, Friday 20th July for Wymondham College.

Kind regards,

Miss Brooks

