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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week the School Council have introduced a new initiative. As you can see by the posters and boxes pictured below, we are collecting empty crisp packets which we will then send to Terracycle who help to recycle products. Today you will also receive a letter written by the School Council which will give you more information.

Well done to all the School Council who have demonstrated RESPONSIBILITY towards reducing the impact of packaging on our environment.



**Norfolk Academy of Gymnastics**

A group of children from Swift had the opportunity to go to Norfolk Academy of Gymnastics on Friday 18th January. In the morning, we were able to use the amazing equipment at the centre; they particularly enjoyed swinging and jumping off the bars, landing in the soft foam! In the afternoon, they showed a huge amount of courage as they had to perform a floor routine in front of an audience and compete in a vault competition. It was a superb day and as always, we were really proud of our children's kindness and attitudes. A big thank you to

Mrs Browning and Mrs Green for your help on the day.



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



## Wymondham Cluster – 1<sup>st</sup> in the Swimming Gala

I just wanted to let you all know how well the children from our school and our cluster did at the South Norfolk Swimming Gala. They were a credit to our school and swam fantastically to help the Wymondham Cluster win the event.

Well done to; Orlando Everitt; Krish Chilleystone; Matthew Phoenix—McGlynn; Ciaran Leverage and Grace Downing.

The cluster results are below and we are awaiting the individual results. The medals for the children who finished first in their races and certificates for those who finished second and third will be arriving soon!

Thank you to Mrs Richardson and Mrs Chilleystone for accompanying the children and to all the parents who supported our team!

1st	Wymondham	125	4th	Long Stratton	96
2nd	Hobart	118	5th	Old Buckenham	84
3rd	Framingham Earl	103	6th	Harleston	81

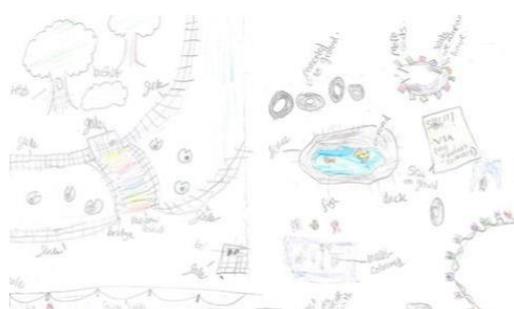
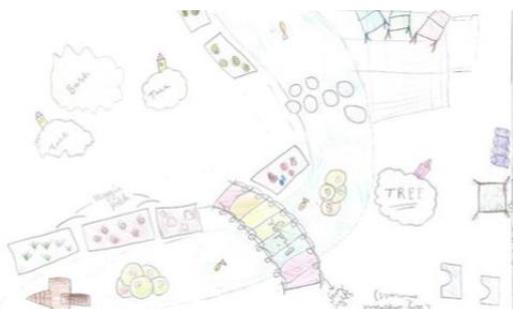
## AVIVA COMMUNITY BID - "Wicklewood School Nature & Nurture Habitat"



I am delighted to tell you that we have been successful and awarded £5000 to develop our wildlife area! Thank you so much to Ann Wilson (mum to Chloe in year 3) for being the driving force behind this bid and thank you to everyone who voted. Please let all your friends and relatives know that their votes really counted and will now enable us to provide another exciting area for our children! The email we received stated that 'The standard was extremely high this year, but our judges saw something special in your project – well done!'

To move this project forward we will need your help! Watch this space for more information!

## The children's vision!



## **Bad weather – what happens**

In the event that school closure becomes necessary, this decision will be taken based on the safety of our pupils and staff travelling to the school site, as well as the condition of the school grounds. This decision will be made as early as possible (from 6.30 am) based on communication with the school caretaker and will be notified to you in the following ways:

Norfolk County Website ([http://disruptions.norfolk.gov.uk/ncclosures\\_schools.html](http://disruptions.norfolk.gov.uk/ncclosures_schools.html))  
Parentmail

If the site is open, pupils and staff should endeavour to attend but not if travelling through poor conditions places them at risk.

## **Mrs Kennedy visits Wren Class**

The children in Wren Class have been learning about the Arctic and Mrs Kennedy kindly came in to talk to the children about her experience of living in Northern Canada when she was a child. The children were treated to a wonderful selection of photos which showed how life is different when surrounded by so much snow and the children also got to see the Northern Lights in one photo which they were very excited about as that was the question they most wanted to ask her. Mrs Kennedy had also brought in a super selection of objects that the children could handle including some whale bone, a small seal made of seal fur and some Inuit snow shoes.



It was fantastic to hear such a personal account of what it is like to live there and we are very grateful that she took the time to come in to share it with us. Thank you!

## **Smoking, vaping, alcohol and other substances** (excerpt from Parent Code of Conduct)

Please can I remind you of the following:

- Parents will not smoke, or vape, on the school grounds (including when at Friends events)
- Parents will not smoke / vape whilst working with or supervising pupils off-site, such as when on educational visits or during school events.
- The taking of illegal drugs whilst on the school premises is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.
- Only alcohol which has been supplied by the school can be consumed on the premises (at Friends of Wicklewood School events).
- If the school believes that a parent's alcohol or drug usage is impacting on the safety and wellbeing of a child, the school has a duty to raise a child protection concern and take appropriate action in accordance with the school's Safeguarding Policy, including referral to Children's Services.

## Coming Up!

4.2.19 Safer Internet Week. Years 4, 5 and 6 will be involved with a 'Gripping Yarns; Thinking Bubbles' production.

14.2.19 Valentines Biscuit Sale

The Friends are planning to have a school 'Valentines' ♡ biscuit sale on Thursday 14th February.

♡ This will take place at break time and after school if any are left (which there normally are because of everyone's generosity!)

So, just a heads up really for the date, (so you can pop it in your diary and remember some money on the day) but also a request from me to see if you would be willing to bake any cakes or biscuits to sell....

I am always so overwhelmed with how many people bake and how wonderful all the creations are....so I would love it if you could do the same in a couple of weeks. All you need to do is bring in some biscuits on the day of the sale in a named container and put your tub in the staff room.

These can be collected from the outside classroom after school.

The children love a biscuit sale and as it's on the day before the start of the half term holiday too, it will be an exciting treat for them all!

Let's hope the love ♡ of baking (or buying!) is in the air for the 14th February!

♡ Thank you in advance because I know you will be brilliant! Jen Martin

7.3.19 World Book Day – West End productions will be in school to enhance our enjoyment of books

## Dates for your diary

SPRING TERM	
<b>18.2.19</b>	<b>Half term</b>
<b>1.4.19</b>	<b>Learning reviews 3.30 – 7. 00p.m</b>
<b>2.4.19</b>	<b>Learning reviews 3.30 – 5. 30p.m</b>
<b>5.4.19</b>	<b>Last day</b>

SUMMER TERM	
<b>23.4.19</b>	<b>New term starts</b>
<b>8-10.5.19</b>	<b>Lapwing residential - Holt Hall</b>
<b>13.5.19</b>	<b>KS2 SATs week</b>
	<b>Kestrel residential - Peak District</b>
<b>27.5.19</b>	<b>Half term</b>
<b>3-6.6.19</b>	<b>Kingfisher residential - Hilltop</b>
<b>13.6.19</b>	<b>Kingfisher bell ringing</b>
<b>19.6.19</b>	<b>Sports Day (same format as last year)</b>
<b>2.7.19</b>	<b>KS2 dress rehearsal</b>
<b>3.7.19</b>	<b>KS2 play evening</b>
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<b>24.7.19</b>	<b>Last day</b>

Kind regards,

Miss Brooks