

Hethersett Woodside Infant and Nursery School Newsletter May 2017 – Issue No 9

Eco News

The Eco Council have been extremely busy in school identifying ways of saving energy and reducing our carbon footprint.

On Monday we had an assembly about "Growing Trees" and why trees are important to us. This followed our outdoor learning day on Friday which proved to be rather wet. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves developing team work skills and exploring nature as well as splashing in puddles!

Let us know about any outdoor activities you get up to over the holidays through your red home/school sharing book!



Your support is needed!!

We are raising money for Nelson's Journey. Different events will be running on Thursday 8th June culminating with a picnic in the evening.

What can you do to help?

- 1. Children to dress in something purple for the day and bring a donation to school
- 2. Bake cakes for the cake stall
- 3. Buy cakes from the cake stall
- Join with us at the end of the day to share a picnic on the school field bringing with you family and friends.

Join us for the Purple Picnic! Thursday 8th June 4 - 5.30pm



Transition

Please note that the date/s for transition have changed.

The year 2 children will visit the Junior School on the morning of Tuesday 4th July and for the day on Wednesday 5th July.

The rest of the school will meet their new teacher and visit their new classroom on the morning of Wednesday 5th July.

We have some sad news for Woodside!



Mrs Suzanne Hall will be "hanging up her wellies" and retiring from Nursery at the end of this academic year.

She is a much loved member of our school and community, having dedicated most of the last 23 years to working as a Nursery Nurse in our nursery class. Over the years she has nurtured, educated and touched the lives of hundreds of children and families.

Suzanne will be greatly missed as a colleague and a practitioner within our school but I am sure you will join with us in wishing her a happy and well deserved retirement.

If anyone would like to contribute to a memory book or retirement gift, please call into our school office or send written contributions to: <u>office@hethersettwoodside.norfolk.sch.uk</u>

"Traditional Country Fayre!"

Hethersett Woodside

Summer Fayr

Saturday 17th June 11am - 2pm

Help us raise funds by joining us for a traditional summer fayre.

If you are available to help on the day please contact Lucy by email: <u>office@hethertsettwoodside.norfolk.sch.uk</u>

Safety in the Sun!

As the weather becomes warmer, please ensure that your child has a sunhat (with name in it please!) and a water bottle in school.

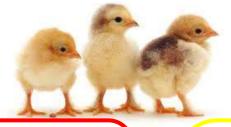
Please also make sure Sun-cream is applied before school. If your child is especially fair skinned the children may bring sun cream to school as long as it is named and handed to an adult in the classroom to store in the cupboard. The children will need to apply their own sun cream but will be supervised doing this.



Medicines in School

Just a reminder that we can only administer prescribed medicines in school.

A form needs to be filled in with the teaching assistant in the classroom and the medication needs to be in the original container with the prescribed label attached.



Brandon Park

The year 2 children enjoyed their day at Brandon Park and spent the day learning about the outdoor environment and different habitats. The children investigated where bugs and minibeasts live.

They enjoyed exploring the woods following a trail and completing a puzzle.

The children also collected lots of natural materials, such as fir cones and branches and then created their own unique pieces of art using the materials.

"Finnbars Force"

Thank you for all your support on "May the 4th"

The children had a fun day and an amazing

£519.48

was raised for the charity to support children and their families with brain tumours.

Chicks in Reception

The children have been extremely excited this week when all 12 chicks hatched from their eggs in Reception!

The reception children have been focussing their learning around the chicks and learning how to look after them.

Governor News

This is the governors' new regular slot in the newsletter, where we can keep you posted on what we've been up to at school.

It's been a busy half-term for us, the highlight being our monitoring day last month. It's such a privilege to spend a whole day in school with the children, seeing the fun they are having and the relationships they are building with each other and the staff. The children's behaviour was fantastic and they were so keen to show us what they were up to and share their learning. We are hugely grateful to all of the staff and children for making us so welcome.

We also welcomed Jamie Savage to the governing board this halfterm. Jamie is an engineer and brings lots of useful skills to the governing board. He will sit on our Health and Safety Committee.



COMPOST CORNER

We've sent home this week, a bags2schools bag. This is a donations bag to be filled with unwanted good quality clothing. If you have anything you would like to donate, please returned to school by 9.00am on Tuesday 6th June.

It all helps to raise funds for our sustainability work in school.

Dates for your diary

Please also see front page of the Website for all dates

Friday 26th May - Dress up day - bring a tombola prize for the Summer Fayre Friday 26th May - Petting Zoo visit for Year 1s Friday 26th May - Nursery parties Friday 26th May - School Closes at 3.05pm for half term break Monday 5th June - School reopens for second half of summer term Tuesday 6th June - Bags2Schools clothing collection Tuesday 6th June - Junior school visit with uniform for Year 2s to try on **Thursday 8th June** - Purple Picnic - Nelson's Journey Friday 9th June - Year 2s to Strangers' Hall **Saturday 10th June** - Dad's Forest Schools for under 5s (last session) **Tuesday 13th June** - Reception trip Sea Life Centre, Great Yarmouth Wednesday 14th June - New Reception Parents' Evening 7pm Thursday 15th June - Nursery pm to Thetford **Thursday 15th June** - New Nursery Parents' Evening 7pm Friday 16th June - Nursery am to Thetford Saturday 17th June - Summer Fair Thursday 22nd June - Year 1 & 2 Sports morning & Picnic Lunch Thursday 22nd June - Reception Picnic Lunch & Sports afternoon Monday 26th June - Friday 30th June - Multicultural Week at School **Tuesday 27th June** - Year 1 violin taster session 9.15am Tuesday 27th June - Year 2 violinist to do assembly to their parents 10.20am Friday 30th June - Multicultural Day for Year 2s at Mulbarton Infant School Tuesday 4th July - Year 2 visit to Junior School 9.30am - 12noon - please note the change of date **Tuesday 4th July** - Year 1 Cromer trip Wednesday 5th July - Year 2 visit to Junior School all day - please note the change of date Wednesday 5th July - Year 1 ukulele children to do assembly to reception Wednesday 5th July - New reception children to visit Thursday 6th July - Open Evening 5-7pm Friday 7th July - Canary 4s - more information to follow Monday 10th July - Hearing & vision checks for Reception **Tuesday 11th July** - Hearing & vision checks for Reception Wednesday 12th July - Leavers' Assembly Please note change of date Thursday 13th July - Leavers' Disco 3.30pm Friday 21st July - School closes at 3.05pm for Summer Holidays