



# Hethersett Woodside Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

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## Summer Term at Woodside

We've had a busy start to the Summer Term. Science workshops have already taken place as well as a day in school for the Governing Board and Multiskills at Easton College for Reception.

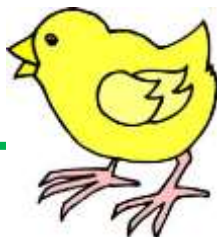
During this term we have lots of exciting activities including visits to various places; Nursery are off to Thetford Forest; Reception are going to the Sealife Centre; Dance show for some of the Year 1s; Year 1 will be visit Cromer and Year 2 are off to Brandon Park.

The Year 2 children will also be completing the new tests throughout May as part of ongoing Teacher Assessments. If you would like more information about this please come and ask.



## Eggs in Reception

The Reception children have again been excited by the arrival of eggs and an incubator in school. They will be learning about the full life cycle from egg to chick.



## May the 4<sup>th</sup> be with you!

We were totally overwhelmed with your support yesterday's



We raised a fantastic

**£513.48**

For "Finnbar's Force"

If you would like to donate, please pop by the office.

There was a lot of media coverage on the day so please check out the EDP and Radio Norfolk Websites

## Staff News

We would like to welcome Mrs Sharon Watts to our staff. Mrs Watts has been working with some children in Reception and Year 1 and will now be working with Miss Catton in the afternoons in Nurture and Forest Friends.

Rachel Hughes will also be joining us in Nursery to complete her final placement before qualifying as a teacher. She is completing the PGCE with the UEA.

### Science Workshops for Parents

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the Science workshops last week!

There was a lot of excitement in school as children shared learning with adults and all had a thoroughly enjoyable time finding out about things from worm hotels to bubbles



### Inset Days for Next Year

The Norfolk County Council 2017/18 term dates have been published. Please note that the inset day 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017 will be a normal school day

Instead school will be closed on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018 for Inset.

### Sainsbury Active Kids Vouchers

Please bring all your vouchers in as soon as possible

Thank you!



### COMPOST CORNER

We have a pen, printer cartridge & stamp recycling bins in school.

Please donate your used items.

Reduce, reuse and recycle!

### Eco Schools

The Eco Council have been extremely busy monitoring the waste in our school. Notices have appeared around school reminding everyone about switching off lights and encouraging all to re-use and re-cycle.

Upcoming events:

12<sup>th</sup> May - Eco-Council litter pick. HEAT are supporting the Eco-council in keeping our grounds clear of litter.

15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> May - Walk to school - The children will be challenged on how many times they can you walk to school during this week.

Outdoor learning day Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May

## The Mary Kerslake Award for Attendance

Mary was a very important part of Woodside for many years.

She taught in Reception when the family first moved to Hethersett in the early 70s and continued to support the school as a member of the Governing Board and coming in to talk to the children during class and assembly times.

Following her death, her husband Harold, donated an award to the school in remembrance of Mary. We chose to make this award the Class Attendance Award.

The winners of the award this Spring Term was Chestnut Class with an average attendance of 96.2%. Well done Chestnut Class.

Average class attendance for the spring term were as follows:

Rowan Class – 95.1%; Hazel Class – 95%; Sycamore Class - 94.9%;

Laurel Class – 94.3%; Beech Class – 94.1%; Maple Class – 93.6%;

Our school target is 96%. Please support us in achieving this target by the end of the year!



## Multicultural Week

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June sees the start of our Multicultural Week here at Hethersett Woodside.

If there are any parents that could help us this week, talking about their experiences, places they have visited or lived. It could be from the different things that are eaten around the world, clothing worn, photographs to share, this would be fantastic.

It's lovely to have parents in school sharing their experiences.

If you can help please speak to your class teacher.

Thank you

## Year 1 Dance Show

Some of the year 1 children are once again getting ready to participate in the Norwich Sports Partnership Dance Show. This is a fantastic event held at the Open venue on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2017

There will be 2 performances and tickets are currently on sale at the Open.



# Dates for your diary

**Please also see front page of the Website for all dates**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May** - Litterpick

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May** - Walk to school week

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May** - Year 2s to Brandon Park

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May** - Dad's Forest Schools for under 5

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May** - Year 2 leavers' photo

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May** - Year 1 Dance Show at the Open in Norwich

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May** - Dress up day - bring a tombola prize for the Summer Fayre

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May** - School Closes at 3.05pm for half term break

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June** - School reopens for second half of summer term

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June** - Bags2Schools clothing collection

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June** - Purple Picnic - Nelson's Journey

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June** - Year 2s to Stranger's Hall

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June** - Dad's Forest Schools for under 5s (last session)

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June** - Reception trip Sea Life Centre, Great Yarmouth

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June** - New Reception Parents Evening 7pm

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June** - Nursery pm to Thetford

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**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June** - Nursery am to Thetford

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June** - Summer Fair

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June** - Year 1 & 2 Sports Day & Picnic Lunch starting 10am

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June** - Reception Picnic Lunch & Sports Day from 12 noon

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June** - Multicultural Week at School

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June** - Multicultural Day for Year 2s at Mulbarton Infant School

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July** - Year 2 visit to Junior School 9.30am - 12noon

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - Year 2 visit to Junior School all day

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - Transition Day in school, Move up day

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July** - Open Evening 5-7pm

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July** - Canary 4s - more information to follow

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July** - Hearing & Vision checks for Reception

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**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July** - Leavers' Assembly

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July** - Leavers' Disco 3.30pm

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July** - School closes at 3.05pm for Summer Holidays