

NEWSLETTER November 2016



Poppy appeal

The British Legion provided the school with a selection of poppy items to wear which proved very popular. We hope to have raised lots of money for their appeal, which will go to help veterans and their families.

The children have learned about Remembrance, why we have the poppy as a symbol as well as pausing and reflecting for the 2 minute silence on Armistice Day last Friday.

Children in Need

Friday 18th November

To raise money we will be once again creating a Pudsey bear with coins in the hall. Parents and children can bring their coins on Friday between 8.30am and 8.55am. All the money will be sent to Children in Need.

Drop in is usual time 8.45-8.55

A busy term so far... Oak pupils attended the Science Quiz at Reepham High School, Mr Blencowe has visited Rowan class to tell them all about the village hall and they have raised some funds towards it; they have learned about the Lyng Paper Mill and a visiting artist has helped them to make their own paper! Oak class have visited Gressenhall to find out about life on the home front in WWII, Rowan class have spent the day as Victorian school children at Great Cressingham, Willow class have been planting, growing and cooking their own produce, as well as finding out about Tractors during a tractor visit and talk by Simon. Willow have investigated techniques for colouring cloth using natural products and been amazed by exploding materials.

Cherry class have been learning many skills as they have settled brilliantly into school life. They enjoy being the 'Manager' for the day or in a team, helping each other to become responsible learners.

All children have taken part in Languages Day, Science Week, Harvest and Anti Bullying Week activities.

NEW! Our new school activity trail is now completed. It will provide an additional fun physical activity for the children at playtimes, helping them especially with balance and coordination. The children are really keen to test it out once the School Council have created some rules for using the new equipment.

STUDY AT COUNCIL

<u>School Council</u> Candidates have made their presentations, elections have taken place and votes counted. We are pleased to announce our elected Councillors are:

Marni, Ruairi, Phoebe P, Callum, Brandon, Jake M, Nona, Zac S

All classes are asked to share and contribute their ideas to the school Council through Class Council. The School Council's first role is to create the rules for children using the new Activity Trail.

Well done to all our nominees and elected candidates.

Sporting Achievements

Cross Country:

Our team from Rowan and Oak class took part in the Cross Country tournament, along with 600 other children from local primary schools. All Lyng pupils completed the course, with Ben, Nona and Thomas from year 6 all reaching the county finals.

Tag Rugby

Our team gained 2nd place in the Schools Cluster tournament, missing out on 1st place by only 1 point. A great team effort!

The team will have another chance on 22 November when we take part in the Sports Partnership Tag Rugby tournament!

Mufti Day

There will be a non- uniform day on 23 November.

Please bring donation of a bottle for the Christmas Fayre tombola.

Anti Bullying Week 14- 18 November All children will be taking part in activities in their classes during the week.

On Monday, all the children watched a performance of Tom and the Trolls, all about bullying.

On Friday, Oak class will be learning a performance entitled 'Football Crazy' Parents of Oak pupils are invited to attend this performance at 2.35pm on Friday 18th in the hall

Christmas with Cherry Class. Once again, Cherry class are presenting their own performance! This will take place on 13 December, Tuesday afternoon at 2.30pm. Parents/Carers of Cherry class pupils are

Touring Theatre Pantomime presentation for all pupils 'Peter Pan' Wednesday 14th December pm

most welcome.

Christmas Nativity and Carols With Willow, Rowan and Oak classes

There will be 2 performances at St Margaret's Church, Lyng Tuesday 13th December at 10.00 am (adults only) Wednesday 14th December at 10.00 am (siblings permitted)

We hope you will be able to join us

Christmas dinner day (children only)
Thursday 15th December
Please note, this needs to be pre-booked for **all** children- please return your slips to the office.

Christmas Fair Friday 2 December 5-7pm

All offers of help in preparations, setting up or clearing the Fair would be welcome.

All funds raised provide opportunities, activities and resources for the children.

Some employers offer Match Funding schemes where employees can apply for funds to support events. Please get in touch with a FOLS committee member if you can help in any way.

Reminders:

- **School start time is 8.55am**. Children should be on time so that they can line up when the whistle goes and come in with their class. The playground opens at 8.45am.
- Classroom Water Bottles: Water only in water bottles please- no squash or juice.
- **Headlice** Please check hair once a week for signs of headlice and nits. We have a 'Once A Week, take a Peek' Guidance leaflet available (or view on line: www.onceaweektakeapeek.com.
- Uniform Please check that your child's uniform, coat, PE kit, hats etc are clearly named. All children should now be bringing a coat to school.
- Snacks in school. Children in Willow and Cherry classes receive a daily piece of fruit in school. Children in Rowan and Oak class can bring a piece of fruit from home or purchase a tuck snack (such as a piece of toast, fruit, apple and sultana bun) for 20p.
 Children in Rowan and Oak should not bring other snacks from home, or be taking things out of their lunch box for their morning break- unless they have a piece of fruit for snack.

Diary Dates:

- 17 November Rowan Outdoor day at Whitwell Hall
- 18 November- Play in A Day anti bullying Oak class- 2.35pm performance to parents

Children In Need - don't forget your donation for Children in Need – we will be making a Pudsey with our coins in the hall! (8.30 am- 8.55am)

- 22 November Year5/6 Tag rugby festival
- 23 November Mufti day... bottle donations for the Christmas Favre Tombola
- 24 November Oak class Outdoor Day at Whitwell Hall
- 25 November Willow Class Assembly
- 30 November Flu vaccinations for Year 1,2,3
- 1 December cluster football tournament (Rowan team)
- 2 December- Rowan class assembly
- 2 December Christmas Fayre

Term dates:

NB – These are the correct dates – not as stated on October's newsletter.

The last day of this half term is Friday 16 December .

Children are back to school on Thursday 5 January