

Newsletter Easter 2017



We have reached the end of a busy term. We have enjoyed an author visit, visit by the ambulance service, scientist visit, dentist visit, Safer internet day, Crucial Crew, World Book Day, Skipping Day, karate taster sessions, an Easter Service at church, Puppet assembly, class assemblies, Netball, cross country, ks1 multiskills and ks2 sportshall athletics tournaments this term. The school council have organised an Easter Fair for the children. All these activities contribute to the varied and enriched curriculum, developing children's learning and skills, as well as opportunities to meet and learn with others.

Teachers have held parent workshops for reading and phonics, parent consultation meetings, weekly Drop In Sessions and this week you will have received your child's Spring Term report. Thank you to all parents & carers for your continued partnership, working with us to support your child or children in achieving their very best!

FOLS -The children have received some wonderful new items for school from funds raised at events organised by the Friends of Lyng School (FOLS) These have been presented in assembly, and the children are looking forward to using them at playtimes in the summer- We have a new set of football goals, log seats for the woodland glade, an Arrows archery set and a willow den.



FOLS EASTER EGGS The children have received an Easter egg each to take home after the Easter egg hunt today !

Also this week, FOLS held an Easter Bake Sale



Sporting events

<u>Netball</u> – our team of Year 3 and 4 pupils from Rowan class took part in the Schools Cluster tournament at Reepham High School this week. They came 2nd! Eden May was awarded the Sportasaurus Star of the Competition award, receiving her

own Sportasaurus Dinosaur toy! Well done team Charlotte, Eden May, Heidi, Joshua, Phoebe F, Oliver, Rhys.

Cross Country Finals

Ben, Nona and Thomas from Oak got through to the Norfolk finals held at Greshams in Holt. Over 600 children took part! As always, it was a bitterly cold day. Our Lyng pupils came a very respectable 12th, 40th and 47th positions from more than 100 competitors in their age group.

<u>Skipping</u> - all the children took part in our Skipping Day last week, ending with a skipping demonstration by selected pupils – particularly impressive in this were Amie (Cross over skip) Maisie (long rope standing start) Evelyn (Wrap up skip) Phoebe and Phoebe (side by side) Faye (Teddy Bear) and Ben and Thomas (Cat and Mouse). Coach Marilyn has written to the pupils, commending them on their efforts and achievements.

<u>Sports Club</u> In our after school sports club this term , the children have been working towards their <u>Decathlon Sportshall awards</u> – Congratulations to all children who have worked towards their Badges. Sam achieved her pentathlon award step 10. Improver Award Steps 5 -10– Charlotte (10), Daniel (7), Eden May(9), Ethan (5), Hamish (8), Heidi (9) , Oliver (9), Owen (5) , Rhys (8) . Bronze award -Elliot K and Grace R Silver award- Nona



100% Attendance!

22 children have achieved 100% attendance for the whole of the Spring Term! All children with 100% attendance take home their certificate today..





Create a Plate competition Winners – congratulations to Bluebell and Elliott Bone for designing the winning dishes. They won an Easter Egg and Easter Hunt Game as a prize. Ms Lane cooked their dishes on Monday – chicken and vegetable noodles, followed by Rainbow fruit kebab!

New addition to school meals – new pick n mix style packed lunch option for all Rowan and Oak pupils – see flyer. This is on a trial basis. Please order this or jacket potatoes at the start of each week, so that the kitchen can stock the right ingredients and avoid waste. We are also introducing a new salad bar , and all children have the option of main pudding , yoghurt or fruit for dessert.

Parent Questionnaire – Thank you to all those who completed this at parents' evenings. We had 27 responses. The results indicated that parents/ carers felt their child enjoyed school and felt safe at school, that their child was well looked after and making good progress. Parent comments for improvement focussed on areas such as reading, availability of staff, rewards. There were positive comments about : range of activities and topics, friendly atmosphere, children supported with extra work when required.

Before and after school club survey.

Thank you to those who replied. There were sufficient responses for governors and staff to look further into the options available for before/ after school provision.

Our Values

Next half term we will be learning about Friendship. Children will be learning about friendship as : encouraging one another , sticking together, making time for each other, and learning to listen. We will focus on Pentecost as a Christian festival that celebrates togetherness.



Diary Dates	Clubs next term
Children back to school Tuesday 18 April at 8.55am Half term: school closes 3.05pm Friday 26 May and reopens 8.55am Monday 5 June Summer Holidays: school closes 3.05pm Friday 21 July and reopens 8.55am Wednesday 6 September 2017	Athletics, Singing, Football for Ks1 and 2 Coming soon Tennis (after ½ term) Gardening (after ½ term) Kwik Cricket (after ½ term) We continue to use our Sports Premium fund to subsidise all our sports clubs where we buy in professional coaches – each club is £1.50 per session to enable participation the children have said this helps them to take part. LATEST NEWS- COACH YVONNE who leads our Athletics/Sports club has been awarded Norfolk Athletics coach of the year!