



# NEWSLETTER



May 2018

SATs testing is now completed ...we were very impressed by the Year 6 children's calmness and commitment to do their very best. The national tests for both Year 2 and Year 6 are very challenging and so it is a 'well done' to the children in Oak and Willow class that they worked hard under what have to be 'exam conditions.' As with every year, we ensure that Year 6 are well prepared, and that as much as possible, the children are not made to feel under any pressure – especially in Year 2 where we ensured that the children were not even aware they were being tested.

Year 1 children will have their statutory National phonics assessment after half term, during the week beginning 11 June.

Next half term is extremely busy, with a whole range of activities planned, especially around our topics, including our 'Round the World Day' music and dance from around the world, and a Buddhist visitor to Oak class. Sports Week will also include lots of activity. Please keep the diary dates handy, and keep a check on book bags/ website for information so that children have what they need for the events and activities.

FOLS Film Club – Following on from the success of the last film club event, FOLS are running a further two next half term for both KS1 (Willow class) and KS2 (Willow and Oak). Numbers are limited, so make sure you book your ticket/s. Details for the first, on the 8 June, have been sent out to Willow pupils. The KS2 event will be held on 6 July.

## New teacher

We are delighted to confirm that Miss Phillpot will be the new Cherry class teacher from September. She will be joining us from a village school in Norfolk, where she is the Reception class teacher. She will be taking over from Mr Rafftree who will be moving to his new school.

## Moving up and moving on

This term we prepare to welcome our new Reception children. Reception class teachers will be visiting the Nursery. The children will then have visits to school and their new class. This will ensure they are familiar with their new surroundings and well prepared for their 1<sup>st</sup> day at 'big school'! Parents are also invited to attend the Activity Day and Welcome Meeting. All children have the option of starting full time from September. As always, we will have a gradual start in the first few days for new Reception children.

Our Year 6 pupils will also be prepared for their next step with a visit to Reepham High School for two days on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> July. We are also hosting an informal meeting about starting High School for parents and children on 21 June at 6pm.

All other children in the school will have their school moving up day on July 11<sup>th</sup>, where the children will spend the day in their new year groups with their new class, with some children also moving classroom and having a new teacher! New Reception children will join us for the morning.

## **Library Competition** Closing date 13 June:

Design a mythical creature and win a copy of Greatest Magical stories;

Write a magical story and win a £10 book token.

Details are on the parents' notice board and all pupils are eligible to take part.

*Go Go Hares – we have learned that our school hare will be in the Castle Mall for the sculpture trail. We hope you will get an opportunity to see it during the event!*

## General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

New regulations come into effect from today, 25 May 2018. Further information has been added to our website

**Congratulations to Mrs Rant and Mrs Youngs who have just opened the new look 'Lyng Stores'**

## Our Values

Next half term we will be learning about Truthfulness. Children will be learning about Truthfulness as: telling the whole story, searching for the truth, having the courage to be honest.



**RESIDENTS AND PARKING** –Just a reminder to everyone to show consideration at busy times at the start and end of the school day. Park safely around the school and do not park or wait in the car anywhere on the yellow lines, or near a junction.

### Summer term weather

Please make sure that your child is wearing their uniform each day, and suitable shoes for school. It is especially important to check sweatshirts are named as these are taken off in warm weather. A sun hat is especially important when the weather is very sunny- again it helps if they are named. Children are permitted to bring sunscreen and apply it themselves. It should be named and kept in their tray during the day. Water bottles: please remind your child to bring it home every day, so that it can be cleaned and refilled with fresh water daily. We do have a water fountain in school in the event of them not having their bottle with them.

### Sports coming up

There will be dodgeball, football, tennis, netball and tri golf tournaments for different classes with our sports partnership schools.

We also have a return of our popular Skipping Day, as well as a new activity- a 'Hoola Hoop day. All classes will be involved in these two events. Parents are invited to attend Sports day on Friday – either the Clockwork sports in the morning or the Races in the afternoon, or both!

To launch the world cup, all children will participate in an Intra School World Cup Football tournament.

**Tennis opportunity in Lyng** – Sam the tennis coach visited us this week with a tennis taster session for all pupils and information about local tennis coaching happening soon (at Lyng sports area). Children new to tennis can attend, and for £25 receive: coaching sessions as well as a tennis racket, ball set and a fab personalised Adidas T shirt –all to keep! All children were given a flyer- spares are available at the reception office.

### Dates for your diary

5 June – KS2 team to Netball tournament (rescheduled)  
7 June – 'Live Music Week' visit from musicians  
8 June – Round the World Day – Don't forget to wear your 'holiday clothes'  
11 June –KS1/2 Team to tri golf tournament (rescheduled)  
13 June - 'Health assembly' led by Matt - sports partnership visitor  
14 June – World Cup intra school football tournament  
19 June- Buddhist visitor to Oak class  
21 June 6pm High School meeting (at Lyng School) for parents and Y6 pupils  
22 June – Cherry class visit to Wells  
25 June- 29 June – sports week - includes Skipping Day, Hoola hoop day, Sports day  
25 June – Dodgeball competition Oak class  
26 June – Football competition – Willow class  
28 June – Family lunch – parents of Year 2 children (information to follow)  
29 June – Sports day – clockwork sports 10.45 – 12pm races 1.15-3 pm  
4 July – Music and Dance workshops for Oak ( Brazil) Rowan ( Spain) Cherry ( India)  
10 July – UEA ambassadors to visit Oak class  
10 July – Tennis tournament – Cherry class  
11 July – Move up day (all pupils) Y6 to high school  
12 July – Y6 to high school  
12 July – Willow class 'Africa' exhibition 3.10-3.45 school hall  
13 July – African Music and Dance – Willow  
20 July – Whole school Outdoor Day  
24 July – Leavers' assembly  
School closes today- 25 May- and reopens at 8.55am on Monday 4 June  
Closed for the summer on Tuesday 24 July at 3.05pm ; reopens at 8.55am on Thursday 6 September.



Have a good half term