

Newsletter Christmas 2020



We have had a lovely final week together in school, with lots of festivities for the children- virtual Panto, including the Norfolk Music service livestream lockdown panto, Rapunzel; Christmas musical performed by each class with Miss Berners, Christmas through the ages with the Norfolk Museum Service, Christmas lunch for everyone, and to end our week, Christmas jumpers... hats, antlers, bells, smiles and laughter!

We have missed seeing all our families for school events, and send all our good wishes for a lovely Christmas.

Keep safe and well everyone.

Happy Christmas!



FOLS

Raffle - Thank you to FOLS for organising a Christmas Raffle with a difference, and securing excellent prizes in this more challenging time.

Over £600 was raised by this single event.

Our school is currently looking to redevelop the 'Wildlife Garden' (the area behind the parent's shelter) Funds will be greatly needed to make this area into a wonderful outdoor space for all pupils and classes to use, and FOLS have agreed to support this whole school project.

In addition, FOLS have provided a chocolate gift for each child this Christmas, which will be brought home today.

Congratulations to Toby in Year 6.

He has been Highly Commended' in a Christmas Card design competition, run by MP for Mid Norfolk George Freeman.

Along with a letter from parliament, Toby receives a £10 voucher to spend. Well Done Toby!

Update: It is difficult to predict what may happen next term , there may be government changes.

Primary schools are <u>not</u> included in the recent government announcement on testing in schools- this relates to secondary schools only.

Our school will reopen as planned on Monday 4th January. Don't forget our arrival times are 8.40am- 8.50am.

We forsee no changes to our school day times, Class Bubbles or staffing, which we have been able to maintain this term.

Rowan and Oak pupils will be able to have a hot lunch from the start of term. The cost remains the same. For all the details, please see the December newsletter and menu on our school website.

If your child attends this school and develops symptoms or has a positive test, please follow the guidance on the letter sent out by email to all parents. Please use only the office email address provided for this purpose.

During the school holidays, please do not send messages to the class emails as these will not be accessed during the holiday.

Please email either the <u>office@lyng.norfolk.sch.uk</u> or <u>head@lyng.norfolk.sch.uk</u> if you need to contact school. These will be checked regularly during the holiday.

At this time of year, we hope for the best but prepare for the worst! We aim to keep the school open whenever possible. In the event of school closure due to exceptional circumstances we will inform County Hall who publish it on their website: www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk.



Finally ... Christmas continues with a range of events planned by the local church, many suitable for children. We hope you will be able to join in with some of them, such as the Zoom Christingle or the Drive In Carols!

We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday 4th January.