

Wells-next-the-Sea Primary and Nursery School

Newsletter

7th July 2016

Year 6

We had a fantastic time at APHS on Friday afternoon

participating in the Mahogany Opera Group's re-telling of the tale of Rumpelstiltskin. We were invited to



become involved as part of the Young Norfolk Arts Festival. Years 5 and 6 were lucky enough to take part in a music afternoon in preparation for this, when the singers and puppeteers came in to school and taught us some warm up techniques and gave us a sneak preview of some of the songs. Please keep hunting for old photographs of the children for our Leavers' Assembly.

Year 5

This week we are looking forward to our visit to Holkham where most of us are camping out for the night – what an adventure!!



We have been busy again in the garden and enjoyed eating the first of our juicy strawberries. Our potato plants are coming on well and we are looking forward to sampling these too very soon.



Year 4

We have had a great week this week at Holkham Hall for our woodland week. In the next week we will be looking at persuasive letters and trying to convince people to come to our eco restaurant that we are going to create. In maths we are going to look at the relationships between numbers and have a look at measuring the weight of food.



Year 3

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the class will be with their Year 4 teacher, Miss Dowler, so they can begin the process of transition from Yr 3. The children are also going to Holkham Hall again this week on Wednesday, on this occasion to learn about being in the woodland and how not to leave any traces behind when they leave at the end of the day. Fire-lighting may be on the list of activities, so that sounds like lots of fun!

Year 2

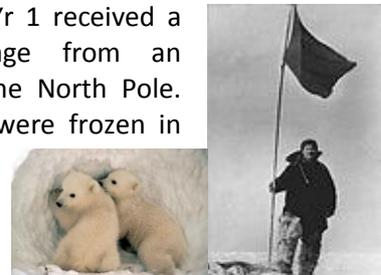
We all enjoyed our visit to Hunstanton. We have designed our holiday islands and written about them, using what we have found out about places to go on holiday.



Our reading café is on Monday July 11th at 2.00pm in the Yr 2 classroom. We hope you see you there.

Year 1

On Monday Yr 1 received a video message from an explorer in the North Pole. The animals were frozen in the ice and he needed our help to get them out. We used a stop watch to time how long it took to rescue frozen animals using warm water, salt, the sun and chopping with spoons. We then wrote letters to the explorer to explain our findings.



Reminder

End of term please make sure that you return all reading/library books to your child's class teacher. Thank you.

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Nursery

School had a great time at Holkham Park. We enjoyed collecting natural things to make our own mini beasts, they were well hidden in the woods.



Our Mud Monsters looked great sitting on a log! Thank you to all who helped us!



Beach Day

Our whole school visit to the beach will take place on 19th July 2016. There is a separate letter with more detailed information.



Attendance

Each year we have to report on our absence record to the County Attendance Officer. Our registers are scrutinised, and a report written. I would like to share some of the results with you. Our overall attendance is currently 94.02%, {95% is the acceptable level set by the Department for Education}.

Success success We have 8 children who have attained 100% attendance throughout the year and over ¾ of our children have their name entered for the end of year prize draw. However, from September 2015 until today

- we have clocked up an astonishing **1287** minutes late.
- and
- 1.08% of unauthorised absences

I am sure you would agree with us, especially our 'minutes late' data requires improvement. School starts at 8.50am and I would encourage you to bring your children to school promptly for the start of the day. With an increased effort from us all, I am sure we can reduce these figures significantly by the end of the Autumn Term. Thank you for your continued support.

Absences

Please remember to contact school on the first day of your child's absence, also if your child is not going home by bus we do need to be informed of this. Thank you for your co-operation.

Thank you to all our talented children for taking part in the Lunchtime Concert in the Church on Wednesday. It was lovely to hear confident playing and singing from all our young music students, as well as some very impressive pieces from the music teachers. Looking around at all the smiling faces in the audience, it was something we need to repeat.

MUSIC MATTERS!

