

# Rackheath Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2014



**Next Year's Y5/6 Residential** – Following a visit from Mrs Grogutt and I, we are delighted to inform you that we have booked to go to the Kingswood Centre at West Runton between Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2014. We do not have the final cost but it is likely that it will be £10 to £20 cheaper than the Brancaster trip. The Kingswood Centre really impressed us because the children really get value for money and a real mix of activities. Some of the activities are inside and some out. Most will be on site but we could also walk to the beach and carry out work linked to geography, art and science. We are in the process of arranging the activities but the children will have:

- ✓ 3/4 activity session on arrival and 1 evening activity (arrival day)
- ✓ 6 activity sessions and 1 evening activity, 70 minutes per session (full days)
- ✓ 2 activity sessions on departure day plus lunch (departure 1.30-2pm)
- ✓ Fully qualified Instructors, all CRB checked
- ✓ Three healthy cooked meals per day with a choice of 3 dishes at lunch and dinner
- ✓ Juice breaks
- ✓ Evening entertainment

Mrs Grogutt is putting together a more detailed letter which you will have soon. We will also arrange a parent meeting after Easter. In the meantime you can find more information on their website [www.kingswood.co.uk/centres/west-runton](http://www.kingswood.co.uk/centres/west-runton)



### **Trespass on to School Grounds**

Over the last few weeks it has come to our attention that older children from the community have been getting into the school at night and over the weekend, recently some damage was done to school property. Our main concern is that something could happen that might put our children at risk if property is damaged or inappropriate items left on school grounds. Today the police have been in school and they have been round to visit children alleged to have been involved.

**Please can I ask you to help us by calling 999 if you see anyone on our property outside of normal school hours, or alternatively you could report any concerns to the school.**

**Numeracy cafes** – As usual it was great to share a numeracy lesson with parents this week. It was lovely to see so many of you in during the week. Next term's literacy cafe will be between Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April and Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May with the exception of Year 6 who will not be having one due the close proximity to their SATs.

**Football v Holt** - On Tuesday the football team set off to play Holt in the Quarter Final of the Small School's Norfolk Cup. Resplendent in their new blue and yellow kit the team performed brilliantly to win 4 - 0. At half time the score was 0 - 0 but in the second half great attacking play led to goals from Charlie (2) Sam and Oliver. What made the difference was the super team work and spirit of all involved, which also included Lydia, Charlotte, Toby, Salvu and Ebony.



**Choir assembly** – On Thursday the choir performed a special assembly to the school and the families of choir members. As always they sang beautifully. A special mention goes to the Year 6 Choir who sang solos and a big thank you to Mrs Grogutt and Mrs Chapman for all their hard work and effort with the choir.

### **Celebration Certificates**

On Wednesday we had our second termly celebration assembly. Two children who have done particularly well in school this term were chosen from each class and family members were invited in to share the celebration. Well done to the following children who got their special badge, certificate and pencil as a reward:

- Reception: Liam Moll and Brooke Halsey
- Year 1: Isabelle Mann and Oliver Grimmer
- Year 2: Amelie Thomas and Marshall Newton
- Year 3: Oliver Firman and Ellen Hughes
- Year 4: Alfie Mann and Elinor Grimmer
- Year 5: Charlotte Abramson and William Grant
- Year 6: Erika Grimmer and Salvu Keeble



**Grounds update** – after Easter we will finally be able to open up the mound and the tunnels for the children to use. Also the grass area outside the back of the Year 5 and 6 area is going to be turfed as the seeding did not work. Hopefully, soon the school will be an orange-fence free zone.



**Donation** - I would like to say a big thank you to Mr Chris Yates, a Rackheath resident, who has very kindly donated £1190 towards our defibrillator fund in memory of his wife Julia Yates who used to work at the school as an MSA. Arrangements for this are currently being made by FORS and we will let you know when it is in place.



### Calling Rackheath Dads!

#### Rackheath Golf Society

If like me you rarely get to speak to any of the other fathers whose children currently attend or have attended the school, I thought it would be a good idea to arrange a game of golf in the summer for the Dads.

The intention for the day would be - a bacon sandwich to start , 18 holes and a bite to eat afterwards. Depending upon numbers we may provide some prizes, otherwise it will just be a sociable day out. Everyone is welcome but it would help if you have played a bit beforehand, otherwise it can be a long walk spoilt - trust me! I think somewhere like Barnham Broom would probably be best - good facilities, good course, not too far away, but am open to suggestions.

If you are interested please text Stuart Brown (07826 517741) and we can take it from there.



### Our Eco-School

On behalf of myself and the Eco Committee I would like to thank all parents for their hard work in trying to reduce their child's lunchbox waste. I, as a parent, know this can be difficult so appreciate all of your hard work. I am pleased to say that we have reduced our waste over the week. Results will be displayed on our Eco-Board soon as well as in our Eco-Committee Newsletter.



Thanks again Mrs Goddard.



## Cluster Netball League / Netball Club

Well done to all of you who have played in the Broadland Cluster League this year. The results are now in and we came joint 2nd along with St. Johns with 7 points. The winners were Salhouse who were only 1 point ahead of us! As you will all remember we also came 2nd in the Cluster

Tournament so give yourselves a big pat on the back. You should be really proud of what you have achieved. Also a big well done and thank you to everyone who has attended Netball Training this term, you have all worked very hard. Please let me know your thoughts on what we can do next term, would you like to continue with Netball or try something different such as Rounders?

Mrs Pilbrow

## School Dinners

There will be a few changes to the menu next week due to the catering provider changeover:

Monday Beefburger instead of Chicken Kiev

Tuesday Chocolog instead of Pancake and Ice Cream

Thursday Cupcake instead of Apple Crumble and Custard

Friday Fish Fingers instead of Tempura Battered Fish Fillet and Meringue nests instead of Rice Krispie Cake



**Star, Angel and Diamond Certificate Winners** – Well done to the following children who got their certificates in assembly today.

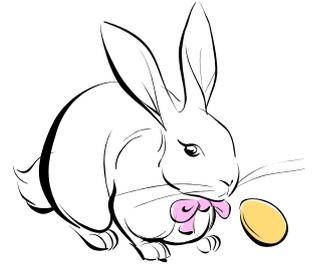
	<b>STAR</b>	<b>ANGEL</b>	<b>DIAMOND</b>
Reception	Millie McAulay	Felicity Hughes	Brooke Halsey
Year 1	Isobel Crisp	Ethan Royston	Josh Rivett
Year 2	Dylan Cullum	Calum Buckingham	Charlotte Hunn
Year 3	Taylan Harris	Charlie Hayhoe	Holly Whayman
Year 4	Millie-Rose Addison	Luke Mayes	Holly Warrington
Year 5	Lucy Cowey	Maria Braithwaite	Ben Finch
Year 6	Annalise Mason	Jennifer Spurling	Toby Grime

Best wishes

Chris Ashman

**As always you can view this newsletter in full  
techni-colour on our website!**

# **FORS EASTER HUNT**



On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April we will be holding our annual Easter activity. This will take place after school on the playing field and tickets cost 50p. All siblings are welcome to participate. There will be a chocolate treat at the end for every child that enters.



**Please come and join in the fun!**