## Rackheath Primary School Newsletter

Friday 10th February 2017

Year 3 Horstead – Everyone had a fantastic time at Horstead last week. The children were amazing and had a great time. The staff even got quite a bit of sleep! A big thank you to all the children and staff for making it such a lovely few days. See below quotes from the children and a few photos.

"We walked on and under ropes; it was like being on an adventure trail! It was lots of fun."

Roman Carey



"We canoed on the River Yare. Me and Max drifted off down the river! Max got stuck in a tree!"

Jacob Avery

"On Thursday, we went create stacking. First, we put our harnesses and helmets on and got into place. When it was my turn I was very nervous but I got up to nine crates!"

Bethany Dampier



"My best bit was when someone said 'Mr Ashman has split his trousers!' but he hadn't really!"

Chloe St Hill



**Parent Teacher Evening** – It was great to see lots of you at Parents Evening this week. From talking to children, parents and staff I know that there were lots of excellent achievements by the children that were shared.

**Thrive Training** – Congratulations to Mrs Goddard, Mrs Wooltorton and Ms Bartlett who have completed their Thrive Training and are now qualified Thrive Practitioners. They already successfully use Thrive as an Intervention to support children and will continue to do so as we are now a Thrive School.



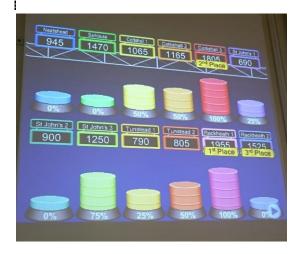


On Wednesday two Rackheath teams took part in Quiz Club at Coltishall. In all, 13 teams from the Cluster took part in the general knowledge quiz. Each team comprised of four children, one from each Key Stage 2 year group. From the first question both our teams were in contention and by the end the excitement and tension was "almost unbearable"

according to some of our parents who were there to watch.

As the final results came in Rackheath could celebrate as our two teams came third and first! What a fantastic achievement. I would like to pass on a great big well done to our two teams Darcey Wright, Rory Watts, Montie Mann and Elizabeth Ritchie who finished third and to Jay Barrett, Bethan Lancaster, Molly Broadwater and Cian McAulay who came first.

I would also like to thank all the parents who went along to support, as well as Mrs Diaper and especially Ms Holmes who organised practice quizzes for the teams. Jay, Bethan, Molly and Cian now go forward to the Regional Finals!





**Rugby** - Well done to the 20 Year children who took part in the Cluster Rugby at North Walsham Rugby Club. In freezing conditions the 2 teams all performed really well.





Squash Club — Broadland Squash Club in connection with Squash England have again offered 6 weeks of squash coaching for Year 3 to 6 on a Wednesday after school for free. This is an exciting opportunity for the 16 pupils who have signed up.

## Staffing

Mr Cavender is due to become a father again soon. As such it is likely that at some point next half term he will be on paternity leave. During that time I will be teaching the class every morning and some afternoons. I am really looking forward to being in the classroom with Year 6.

We are working on arrangements for Miss Brannan's maternity leave in Year 3, which is likely to begin after May half term and we will let you know once we have news.

Whole School Trip - We are working with the Friends of the School to organise another exciting whole school trip in the Summer Term. The date pencilled in the diary is Tuesday 27th June. More exciting news to follow soon!



100 Club - Congratulations to our winners this month.

1<sup>st</sup> (No 20) Sharon Dale 2<sup>nd</sup> (No 28) Hannah Thor

2<sup>nd</sup> (No 28) Hannah Thompson 3<sup>rd</sup> (No 72) Helen Grogutt



## Well done to Year 3 who had 99% attendance last week!

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

	\$TAR	ANGEL	DIAMOND
Reception	Lila Ing	Lacey Hudson	Yuan Staley
Year 1	Joe Barrett	Amy-Leigh Knights	Lily Key
Year 2	Ewan Poole	Evie Cleminson	Joshua Hill
Year 3	Rebecca Burrows	Charlie Crisp	Ellie Collin
Year 4	Bethan Lancaster	Emily Addison	Josh Rivett
Year 5	Niamh Harris	Calum Buckingham	Molly Broadwater
Year 6	Joe Turner	Amelia-Mae Evans	Cian McAulay

Have a lovely half term break. We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 20th February.

Chris Ashman