

# Rackheath Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2015



**Parent lunch month** - In March we are again offering parents the chance to come and have school dinner with their children. Each day in March there will be a maximum of 8 spaces available for parents to have lunch in school. The sign-up sheet for this is in school reception. Parents of children in Reception Class should arrive at 11.50am. Parents of children in Year 1 and 2 should arrive at 12.00pm and parents of children in Year 3 to 6 at 12.25pm.

**Talent Show** - before half term the school council did a great job organising our annual talent show. The audience were treated to some amazing acts. Everyone who took part deserves great credit for getting up in front of a large audience. I would like to say well done to Ben Finch and Daisy Stone who hosted the event and a big thank you to Mrs Goddard for helping the acts prepare.

*"A big well done to everybody who entered the Talent Show. We had an amazing 21 entries which included some gymnastics, puppet shows, singing, dancing, karate and acting. Our judges were Revd Sandy, Mrs Howard and Mrs Roe. I wouldn't have liked their job at all. It was a hard decision but they had to choose."* (Mrs Goddard)

The winners were:

### **Key Stage 1 Winners**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> 'Let it Go' - Mia Jenkinson, Anise Batchelor, Brooke Halsey, Darcey Wright, Millie McAulay (singing)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Alfie Betts (dancing)
- 1<sup>st</sup> 'The Ones' - Jacob Avery, James Clarke, Jay Barrett, Lewis Mann (dancing)

### **Key Stage 2 Winners**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> 'Flips for a Day' - Charlie Clarke (gymnastics)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 'Diva Girls' - Holly Warrington and Ella Poole (dancing)
- 1<sup>st</sup> 'Kung Fu Boys' - Taylan Harris and Carter Daniels (karate)

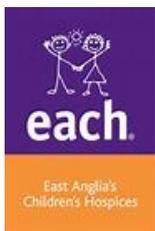




## Cluster Rugby Tournament

Well done to the 20 children who took part in a Cluster Rugby Tournament on Wednesday. We were very proud of their efforts and the attitude they showed throughout the day. The children all looked very smart in the new Rugby shirts which were purchased with the vouchers we received from attending the Rugby Final at Twickenham last May. A big thank you goes to Mr Ettridge and Mr Buckingham for helping out with their training / coaching.

**School Brochure** –The school brochure has been totally re-vamped. There is a lot of new written content and new photographs and thanks to Mr Edwards a fantastic new design. You can see the new brochure by clicking on the link from the homepage on the school website.



**Helping Others** – This week we had special assemblies led by representatives of 2 local charities that the community have generously supported. On Monday Pat and Hayley from the Norwich Food Bank joined us to show us what happened to the food we donated at Harvest time. Then on Wednesday, Carol from the East Anglia Children's Hospice, the charity chosen as the recipients of our fundraising this year by the school council, came into school to explain about the work they do.

**Football v Hoveton St John's** – The school team completed the cluster league with a hard fought 4th win in four games to finish top of the league. Goals from Sam Watts, Dylan Parnell Crook and Alfie Mann gave the team a 3-2 win. As a result we now go on to play in the quarter final of the Small Schools Cup against Colby School.



## Comic Relief (Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March)



We are starting our support for Comic Relief on Monday by selling Red Noses. These are £1 each and will be available in reception. There are 9 different noses this year but each comes in a bag so you don't know which one you will get! On the day the children can join in the fun for a donation of £1 by dressing up. The theme this year is "Make your face funny for money!" We will also be filling a giant face with small change and there will be races at lunchtime for a 10p per race entry fee. Further details on the day will be sent in a separate letter.





## Dates for this Half Term



<b>Assemblies</b>	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Mother's Day Service in the Church – 2.30pm Reception Year 1 – <b>Note this is a change of date</b>
<b>Numeracy Café</b>	Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception Year 5 Year 3 Year 2 Year 4 Year 1 Year 6
<b>Trip Dates</b>	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 and 2 to Norwich Cathedral Year 3 to Norwich Castle
<b>FOR\$ Dates</b>	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> / Weds 11 <sup>th</sup> March	School Disco Mother's Day Craft 3pm til 4pm
<b>Other Dates</b>	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day Mother's Day Service 2.30pm in the Church Comic Relief

More details about these dates will follow where appropriate

### Please Help!! – School Lunches

A few of the children have been getting upset at lunchtime because they aren't sure what they are meant to be eating. For example they think they are having a jacket potato when it hasn't been ordered. Where possible please help us to help the children by reminding them what they are eating every day before school.



The biggest source of confusion is jacket potatoes. We asked EATS to put these on to give children this choice and they kindly agreed to do this, this is not something they routinely do. However, late orders for jacket potatoes is leading to a lot of wasted food as it is all cooked from fresh. From Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March all orders for jacket potatoes must be in for the week by Monday. The office will then be able to give clear numbers for the week to the kitchen to enable them to order their supplies. If your child wishes to have one on a set day of the week every week you can complete a slip for the whole term if that makes it easier for you. Hopefully this will stop food being wasted and we will be able to continue to keep jacket potatoes as an option.



We have had some complaints about **parking** before and after school. PCSO Paul McAllister has been in to school to see me and he is going to sending a letter on the subject soon. I appreciate that it is very difficult to find a space but please consider the school's neighbours when you drop off and pick up. Hopefully as the weather improves more children will walk to school minimising the congestion.

We are beginning to use the field at break and lunchtime. Currently children from Year 2 to Year 6 can go on the field if they wear **trainers**. At the moment these trainers are getting quite muddy so if they are then going on to a club that use the hall, for example squash, it would be really appreciated if they could have another clean pair of trainers / plimsolls to wear.



**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	Hattie Smith	Ewan Poole	Adam Houston
Year 1	Darcey Wright	Dylan Quinsey	Logan Adam
Year 2	Isabelle Mann	Louie Bond	Caedn Huckle
Year 3	Dylan Cullum	Mia Westley	James Nurse
Year 4	Ellen Hughes	Annabelle Horan	Rosie Milligan
Year 5	Henry Adam	Freddie Smith	Ethan Cullum
Year 6	Charlotte Abramson	Kacie Banwell	Carter Daniels



**This week he gets to spend the week with Reception who had an attendance of 98.1% before half term.**

**Well done Reception!**

Best wishes

*Chris Ashman*