

THE TACOLNESTON FLYER

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*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace
1 Peter 4:10*

Week 23 – 15th March 2024

Our Value for Life this term is Perseverance.

Message from Mr Phoenix

This week I have been pleased to welcome our team of school Governors into Tacolneston for a full day of whole-school review. Together we visited lessons in the different classes, reviewed work in children's books, met with children and committees and spoke with staff. This identified many strengths of the school, including the quality of writing across the curriculum, the benefit of cross-curricular links in deepening learning and the school's Christian values being reflected in behaviour and attitudes around school.

We also identified areas we will be focusing attention on going forward. One of these is the value we have seen children place on practical hands-on experiences, and the evidence of this making learning meaningful, relevant and memorable. We will be looking at ways to develop more active learning in coming weeks to enrich the children's learning experience across the Tacolneston curriculum.

A great example of learning through first-hand activities is the Easter Experience all children took part in today. The Raise Kidswork team literally took over the school with exciting immersive experiences to enable the children to understand and explore the different parts of the Easter story. Thinking about concepts such as sharing through a 'last supper' experience, and who we can stand up for in a 'Gethsemane' garden, really made the Easter story relevant to the children's own lives as well as being memorable.

Thank you again for your support for World Book Day last week - there was a fantastic array of book-related costumes and the children had a great day sharing enthusiasm for books and authors. Photos from World Book Day are now on the school website 'Latest news' page, so do have a look!

Have a great weekend everyone,
Mr Phoenix

Payments



We have payments outstanding from last year, we would be very grateful if you would settle any outstanding accounts on School Money immediately or please see the office if you have any difficulties.

Sports Club

Premier Sport have issued details of their multisport club for next term. This club will run for 13 weeks. If you would like your child to take part please collect a form from the office. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Choir success at Norwich Cathedral

A huge well done to all pupils in the School Choir who took part in the Spring Celebration at Norwich Cathedral on Wednesday. The children had been rehearsing in school before coming together with over 300 pupils to perform a variety of Spring inspired songs in the wonderful setting of Norwich Cathedral.

The pupils represented the school so well and it was a delight to see their enthusiasm throughout the rehearsal and performance. Having only one joint rehearsal, (on the day!) before singing in front of hundreds is incredibly daunting and especially in such an enormous building.

I was so proud of each and every one of them and the performance itself was absolutely fantastic.

Choir are always looking for new recruits and it is open to pupils from all year groups. Please see Miss Grant if you would like any further information.



STEPS Training for Parents

Banham Primary School have arranged with the schools and community team to go into school on Monday 22nd and 29th April, from 1-3pm, to run STEPS training for parents.

Please see the posters attached for further information, if you think you would like to attend please email nclarke@cee.coop to book a place so they can keep a rough idea of numbers.

Eggs

Thank you to those of you who have donated chocolate eggs for the Easter Hunt. We still need more so would be grateful for **small, solid, foil wrapped eggs**. **Please remember no nuts or alcohol, these will only find their way to the staffroom!**



Menu Change

On the last day of the Spring Term, Wednesday 27th March, the kitchen will provide a different meal to that advertised on the menu.

Fish Fingers or Vegetable Goujons
Chips and peas

Easter cupcake. No Jacket potato available
There are adaptations to this menu for allergies, please see the office.

Sparrowhawks Duxford Trip

We would like to thank FOTS for paying for the coach for this trip.

Our coach pulled out of the car park at 08:30, reaching Duxford at 10. The visit commenced with a tour of the 101 prototype Concord, which still holds the World Record for the fastest passenger jet and the quickest journey time - London to New York.

However, our main focus for the day was the WWII planes and the Battle of Britain. We got to see Spitfires, Hurricanes, Messerschmits, a fragmented Japanese Zero - one of type used at Pearl Harbor. The children also got to experience sitting in a cockpit, an Anderson Shelter and close up viewing of searchlights, anti-aircraft guns and the Barnes Wallace bouncing bomb.

The children were able to experience an audio re-enactment of a Battle of Britain scrambled response, as would have happened at Duxford. It was played out in the actual control room used during the war.

Our day finished in the American hanger after the class respectfully walked past the thought provoking memorial built to honour all of the America crews lost in the war.

"It was fascinating learning about World War II planes," remarked one pupil. "Best day out ever," said another. An enjoyable and informative time was had by all.

Mrs Livermore and Mr Merryweather



GRAFFITI CLASSICS

The Comedy String Quartet

PRESENTS

PLAYGROUND PROMS

POP-UP SHOWS IN NORWICH

SATURDAY 23 MARCH 2024

10:30 – Norwich Cathedral

11:30 – Chantry Place

13:00 – Norfolk and Norwich Hospital



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Spring Coffee Morning & Easter Egg Hunt

MARCH 23 • 10 AM - 1 PM
at the **Star Throwers Centre,**
30 Melton Road, Wymondham

Join us for a very special Easter celebration!

There will be a raffle, tombola, stalls, refreshments, the Treasure Trove shop will be open and this year there will be an egg-hunting activity organised by the Wymondham Rotary Satellite Group.

To donate a raffle/tombola prize
or baked goods please contact:
victoria@starthrowers.org.uk



**Wymondham Rotary
Satellite Group**

Supporting you with your child's behaviour: A Norfolk Steps Approach

Sessions run from 1pm – 3pm

Session 1: Monday 22nd April

Session 2: Monday 29th April

Please attend both sessions



Banham Primary School (mobile)

Supporting you with your child's behaviour.

What's the best way I can handle this?

Why are they behaving like that and what can I do?

What is my child trying to tell me?

Parenting doesn't come with a manual and can be the hardest job in the world:
Come along to 2 informal sessions where we explore tried and tested ideas that may help. Have a chat with other parents to share ideas.



Refreshments provided!



Trivia quiz night

Hosted by Mandy Shaw in association with
The Woodlands Club

Saturday 30th March 2024

Doors open 7.00pm

Quiz starts 7.30pm

Teams of upto 6 players

£10 entry fee

Prizes & Raffle

Book with Mandy 07775 574386
or pop in to the club and see Denise

Woodlands Club, Hall Rd, Tacolneston, NR16 1AL

PS See Mandy Skipping between each round as part of a
nationwide, month long skipping challenge - its not as easy as it looks!

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