



Dereham Church of England Junior Academy



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New Year – New Start

We are all busy preparing for the next school year the children will soon find out who their new teacher is when they spend some time with them next week. The Year 6 children will also be spending time in their new high school and we will be welcoming the year 2 children here.

As well as the year 6 children leaving us at the end of the term we will also be saying good bye to Miss Wright and Miss Arnold as they move to new schools to carry on their careers elsewhere. We wish them both every success. We will also be saying good bye for a short time to Mrs Swetman who's leaving at the end of this term and is expecting her baby during the summer holiday time. Mrs Gardiner is also expecting a baby and although she will be returning at the start of next term she too will soon afterwards be leaving to have her baby. Again I am sure you will join with me in offering them our best wishes. That means we will be welcoming 3 new teachers to our school staff next term; Miss Nicholson, Miss Holmes and Mr Allott.

Next Year therefore, Mrs Everett (Year Leader), Mrs Bodiam, Miss Theil and Mr Jenkinson will be teaching in year 3.

Mr Allen will be teaching in year 4 as will Mrs Waymouth who will be sharing a class with Mrs Hook, Mr Williamson will be sharing a class with Mrs Lee who is returning from her maternity leave and they will be joined by Miss Nicholson.

Teaching in year 5 will be Mrs Stuart-Shepherd, Mr Allot and Miss Holmes and Miss Mckay will continue to work with Mrs Clarke.

Mr Wade (Year Leader), will be moving to year 6 with Miss Guy-Ragan and Mr Blenkin and they will be joined by Mrs Henman and Mrs Williamson who will be working together.

Mrs Bunkle will be leading year 5 and also year 4 for the short term while we look for a replacement for Miss Wright.



Dates For Your Diary



Wednesday 6 th July	Y5 Ukulele Concert
Thursday 7 th July	Y4 Recorder Concert
	Y5 trip to Duxford
Thursday 7 th July	Y6 End of Year Party -6.30-8pm
Friday 8 th July	Y6 Trip to Wells
Wednesday 13 th –Friday 15 th July	Y2 & Y6 Transition
Thursday 14 th July	Y2 & 3 6-7pm; Year 4 & 5 7.15-8.15pm
Monday 18 th July	Y6 Leavers Church Service 9.30-10.15
Wednesday 20 th July	School Closes for Summer Break
Monday 5 th September	School Reopens

House Points Certificates

Well done to the following children who have received House Point awards recently:

25HP:- Rodrigo Costa, Grace Stacey, Blake Woodcock, Maisie Hooks

50 HPs: Headteachers Award:- Chopper Lee, Oscar Jarman, Seth Still, Megan da Silva,

100HP:- Bronze Award:- Sammy Farmer, Teagan Cooper, Amber Bateman, Ruby Morgan, Max Smith, Leanne Taylor, Oliver Moore, Alice Schofield

150HP: Silver Award:- Maddison Proctor, Jack Jarvis, Megan Summer, Dalton Walpole, Evan Vargeson

200HP Gold Award :- Kailyn Cooper, Jacob Vincent, Ella Rogers, Lilly Baker

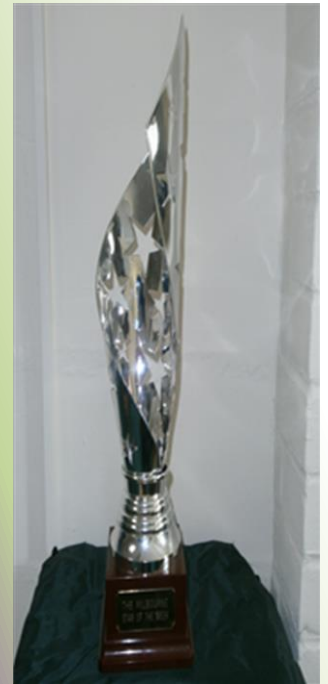
250HP Platinum Award:- Demi-Lee Barrett, Oliver Park-Silva, Freya Mottley, Sarah Smith, Thomas Blyth

300HP Amethyst Award:- Harry Smith, Georgia Eglen

350HP Crystal Award:- Ben Riglar, Hannah Williams,

400HP Ruby Award :- Lucy Walpole,

Milbourne Star of the Week



Well done to Jack Ayton and James Taylor, the most recent winners of our 'Star of the Week Award'

The next Newsletter will be sent home on Monday 18th July

Do you care about your child?

Do you care about your child's school?

Do you want the school to provide the very best for your child?

Do you want to have a say in the future of the school?

If the answers to the questions above are Yes, then please consider becoming a school Governor. Just give in your name at the school office if you would like to find out more.

Y4 Visit to the Eco Centre

On Monday 27th June 2016 Year 4 went on a visit to The Green Britain Centre in Swaffham. We began by watching videos about pollution, we found this very interesting and it made me aware of how much pollution there is in the world.

Next, we went on the windmill tour, there were 305 stairs to climb to the top. It had a spiral staircase that made us feel dizzy by the time we reached the top. When we reached the top it was worth it because the view was eye catching. After the windmill tour, we went on an Eco Trail and we answered questions on the information boards around the centre.

After lunch, we went to look at some Eco cars, one of them was called a 'Nemesis' it could reach speeds of 151mph we thought this was spectacular. Ms Mitchell got to sit in it, we were very jealous! At the end of the day, we learnt how to build our own windmills, we put them in front of a fan and watched them spin round. We tried to find out which design would create the most energy.

All in all we had a fantastic day and would like to visit there again.

By Dalton Walpole and Logan Davison (Malabo Class)



Year six's trip to the Lake District!

We left for our amazing trip to the Lake District at 8:30 am and after what felt like a very long time travelling, we stopped at Sherwood Forest and took a walk around. We got back on the bus and waited till we arrived at our Hostel where we would be staying for the next five days. We had tea and then went to our bedrooms to look around and unpack our suitcases. Our rooms were amazing and so were some of the views.

On Tuesday we woke up and went down for breakfast feeling excited for the day ahead at Wray castle. There was an awesome tyre swing there; the only down side was to get out of the swing, you had to get a bit muddy. We also went on a four mile walk around part of the lake; to get home we went on Miss Cumbria (a boat).

One activity we did was a 3 mile walk up a mountain trail up to Wansfell. The sights we saw were astonishing. Another activity was Ghyll Scrambling where you had to climb up a rocky water fall, there were three points where we could jump into water pools it was **FREEZING!** In the afternoon the groups swapped round and the group that did Ghyll scrambling then did canoeing. We were in groups of five and we played lots of fun games.

We went to the park every night after tea and had fun climbing rocks, skimming stones and playing fun sports like rounders and football before writing in our diaries about our day and getting points for behaviour and team work.

By the time it was Friday, everyone had to go home but some of us didn't want to as the week there was so much fun. We packed our suitcases and left back to Dereham Church of England Junior Academy.

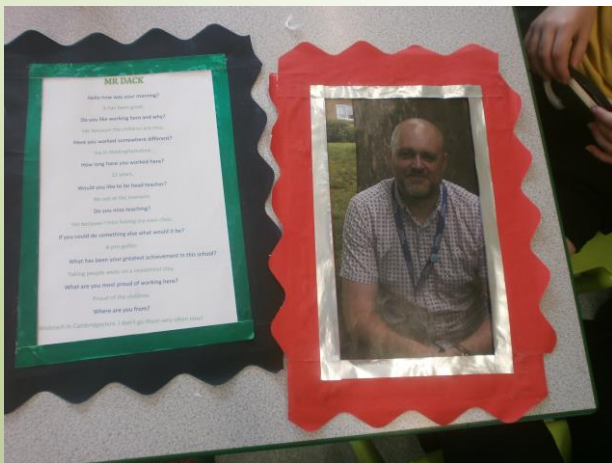
We had a fantastic time and will remember it forever!

By Maddison Mower and Sam Nicholson



WCET day Celebration in Kings Lynn:

On Tuesday 28th June, 15 children from Year 4 travelled to Kings Lynn to perform their recorders at a WCET celebration day in the Corn Exchange. They sang and played 6 pieces in front of an audience of other schools within the area. They also listened to a guest brass band and enjoyed performances from the other schools. They did a fantastic job at representing the school, well done year 4's!



Year 4 Photography Week:

Last week, the year 4's took part in a special photography week. Their task was to photograph and interview a member of staff who they felt had contributed a lot to the community of our school. This could have been someone who had helped them, raised money for the school or worked here for a long time. They enjoyed a visit from a local photographer, Katherine Mager, who talked about her work and helped them with their final photographic portraits. The work will be exhibited in the Millennium Library in Norwich from 4th – 8th July and also in Dereham library from 15th July so make sure you go and have a look if you are nearby!

Behaviour Awards

Bronze:- Joshua Blackburn, Jack Saunders, Macey Day, Thomas Blyth,

Silver:- Aimee Pearce, Poppy Taylor, Elvin Varghese, Harry Attfield, Megan Kiersey, Harley Howard, Niall Vargeson, Lily Watson, Skye Butters, Maisie Hooks, Holly Morter, Jessica Swann, Bethany Roper, Berrie Lusha, Ernesta Kucinskaite, Leah Walker, Emma Mackay

Gold:- Aisha Elouassi, Ben Riglar

125 stars – Rebecca Ratukove, Ella McKenzie, Laila Moon, Charlie Summer, Lydia Taylor, Jessica Day, Caitlin Thurston

Congratulations to Alyssa Baines who has entered and won a bedtime story completion run by Dreams Beds. Alyssa has won herself a new bed and trophy and also a book voucher worth £100 for the school. Please enjoy Alyssa's story below.

Strictly Between You and Me!

It was dark and cold when Alyssa woke from her dream. Around her she could see the faint silhouettes of her school friends still sleeping soundly in their dorm room. It was hard to focus with only the thin shards of moonlight edging through the curtains but still, something caught her eye on her bedside table that had not been there when the girls had finally stopped their chatter and begun to drift off to sleep. It looked like an envelope! "That wasn't there before?" she thought, trying to see it in the moonlight.

Alyssa quietly slipped out of bed and took the envelope into the corridor so she could see it more clearly. As she opened it she was amazed to find a lift access card (only teachers were allowed to use the school lift!). The envelope didn't have a name on it!!! "Who gave it to me?" She thought

Intrigued, she went to the lift and swiped the card through the access point. Immediately the doors opened and she stepped inside, only to find this was no lift at all - it was a long corridor lit by glitter balls! She loved glitter balls!!!

Suddenly, Alyssa spotted a door with a glittering gold star on it and opened it to see a room full of beautiful, sparkly dresses!!! 'WHY did the teachers keep this from ME...I mean US?' Alyssa thought, staring at the pretty gowns. She loved pretty gowns. She never had one before and she always had wanted one.

After looking through all the costumes, Alyssa decided her favourite one was a black, strappy dress with a crystal covered bodice and a skirt made entirely of soft feathers. As there was no one around to ask, she decided to try the dress on - it fitted perfectly, like it had been made just for her! It was awesome!!!

Still wearing the dress Alyssa decided to explore further, she twirled and skipped along the corridor only to finally find herself standing in what looked like the Strictly Come Dancing ballroom! As she stood there, gazing around awestruck at her surroundings, she never noticed the footsteps that were approaching until a hand slipped into hers. She looked up only to stare into the kind eyes of her favourite professional dancer Kevin Clifton!

He smiled and gently led her out onto the dancefloor. Kevin carefully led her into a slow, graceful waltz and after dancing and spinning for what felt like forever he spun her one last time, a much bigger spin than before, Alyssa felt like she was never going to stop. In her dizziness, she never noticed the dimming of the ballroom lights or the fact that she was no longer dressed in the beautiful ball gown.

When she finally came to a stop, she found herself back in her bed with the dawn starting to peek through the dorm room curtains. She felt that it must have all been a wonderful dream but when she pulled back her bed covers she found she was still wearing her dancing shoes and she still had the lift access card. Staring at her picture she had with Cinderella at Disneyland, she giggled, feeling a bit like Cinderella herself, and hugged herself as she thought about her amazing midnight adventure. Perhaps it wasn't a dream after all!

Northgate MFL TV Quiz Game Show Competition

(NMFLTVQGSH for short!)

Yesterday, Alyssa Baines, Oliver Park Silva, Kaiya Wright, Evan Vargesson and Keira Jones rushed home from school so they could arrive promptly at Northgate High School for the Year 5 MFL TV Quiz Game Show Competition at 4pm.

We were introduced to our International Leader, a very proud ex-pupil (Thomas Moss-Hobbs) who provided us with drinks and biscuits. The format for the event was explained and the games began.

Our first quiz was 'The Chase' translating French to English and vice versa, of the 2 games we played, we drew and then won; earning 20 'notes.' Our skills and confidence in this round impressed everyone.

Then we had 'The Million Pound Drop' – testing our geography skills, despite great efforts we left with nothing.

Next was 'Pointless,' having just learnt new Spanish and French words and phrases, our team worked well but there were some 'interesting' bending of the rules which didn't help us!

The final game, "Are you smarter than a 10 year old?" allowed us all to work well together so Mrs Williamson could win full marks for the team.

Everyone worked hard last night and leading up to the event, practicing our words and phrases and – we proudly came 2nd

A great event, enjoyed by all –can't wait till next year!



On Wednesday 29th of June Year 3 went to Gressenhall to learn about the Stone Age. First, we went with Katie to test our hunting skills. Miss Thiel pretended to be a deer and we sneaked up on her. Next, we threw spears at pretend wild boars.



After that, we went with John to look at some Stone Age objects. Then we went back to the chapel to have our lunch. After lunch, we went outside with Rosie to do some farming. Using Stone Age tools was really hard work!

Finally, we made dens out of wood, string and covers that were supposed to be animal skins. We had lots of fun at Gressenhall and learnt lots about the stoneage!

By Elinor Riglar and Summer Harker-Foster