

### **July 2021**

We are coming to the end of a second disruptive school year, due to covid19. Despite school and bubble closures this year and lots of online learning at times, the children and their families/carers have been amazingly adaptive once again. Sadly sports day, Y2 Leavers' assembly and transition visits couldn't happen in the usual way, but it was particularly lovely, that 2 of the postponed reception and Y2 educational visits were able to finally go ahead at last this summer.

# Year 2 visit to Hoveton Broad









The children initially visited the Sainsbury Centre of Visual Arts, to look at a range of sculptures and how they interacted with the environment. Their visit to Hoveton Broad some weeks later, helped them appreciate the natural environment, which included a ride on a wherry. The children collaborated with each to develop their creative ideas and the project ended with a celebration of what they had learnt, by making their own flag.

## **Reception visit to Gressenhall**









Reception children had a lovely time visiting Gressenhall Farmhouse recently, taking part in lots of activities around fairytales to tie in with their recent learning at school. The staff at Gressenhall were very impressed with the children's knowledge of fairy tales and their behaviour. A fun time was had by all and the Reception team couldn't be prouder of all our children.

#### **Nursery**









As always, nursery children have enjoyed lots of playful, hands on experiences to support their learning this term. A 360 virtual tour of our nursery is now available on our website.

## Staff changes

The end of this school year sees a number of staff moving on. From September, Mrs Wood has a new job as Teacher of the Deaf. Mr Kiddy and Miss Evanson are leaving to begin teacher training, our site manager Mr Demartino retires and Miss Ward is moving to North Norfolk. I am sure you will join us in wishing them all the best for the future. In September we welcome, Miss Mayne teacher in Chestnut class, Miss Benton teaching assistant in Oak, Miss Harvey teaching assistant in Chestnut, Mrs Mehta pupil support in Y2, Mrs Hewitt Early Years Educator in nursery and Mr Jones site manager.

#### **Safeguarding**

No one can guarantee the weather is going to be perfect this summer holiday, which means that many children may be on their tablets and online more than usual. Please ensure that you activate **parental settings**, to ensure that your child is not able to access inappropriate websites and material. For more information please go to the **NSPCC website** on 'Keeping Children Safe online'.

#### **Uniform**

It is an expectation that children in main school wear school uniform. The exception to this, is dress up days and PE days in Y1 and 2, when children can come to school in their PE kits. You can purchase our uniform with our logo on, by going to myclothing.com and searching for our school. We do permit plain sweatshirts/T-shirts as long as they are royal blue and polo shirts are white or royal blue.

Uniforms are as follows:

- Plain Royal Blue sweatshirt or cardigan
- Plain White or Royal Blue polo shirt or T-shirt
- Plain black/dark grey trousers, leggings, shorts, skirt, or pinafore dress.
- Summer dress in pale blue check
- Flat Black shoes or trainers that children can do up on their own

### Arrangements for the new school year

As you will be aware, all Covid19 restrictions and measures in school are set to be lifted. This means that from the first day of the new school year on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September**, we will no longer be operating staggered start times. School will be **open from 8.40am for breakfast**, for families/carers to drop their child at the classroom door. **Registration** will be prompt at **9am**. For reception and nursery please refer to the letters families were sent about the first few weeks in September, as timings will be slightly different initially.

# School/Nursery closes for half term and what to do if your child displays symptoms

School/nursery closes on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July.** If your child **develops a temperature, persistent new cough, lack of smell or taste** which are recognised covid19 symptoms on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July or Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, please notify the school by emailing **covid19@weins.co.uk**, so that we can inform any close contacts. **Anyone displaying symptoms** should book a **PCR test** online and **self isolate** with those that they live with, until the result is known. A positive test would mean that the person and all their close contacts, would need to continue to self isolate for the full 10 days.

## **And finally**

For Y2 and some of our children in nursery and those in main school, moving to schools nearer their home, we wish them all the best for the future. For those families whose children are returning in September, please can you ensure that **if you change phone numbers or other personal details** over the summer, you **let the school office** know as soon as possible.