

# The Old School Henstead



Newsletter  
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**Letters issued this week**      Lunches for Next Term

**Congratulations to** William Gladwell, Flynn Drinkell and Natasha Mills, all of whom received their Headmaster's Commendation Certificates this week. Also to Faye Hickey-Martin and Cameron Aldren who were awarded Silver Commendations for reaching fifteen A1 awards this year.

### The menu for next week is:

- Monday – Macaroni Cheese with peas and sweetcorn
- Tuesday – Sausage, Mash and Baked Beans
- Wednesday – Chicken and Noodles with peas and carrots
- Thursday – Cottage Pie with cauliflower and carrots
- Friday – Fish Fingers with Croquettes and Baked Beans

**Ceilidh** – Last Friday several parents, friends and children enjoyed a wonderful evening at Raveningham Barn for the Ceilidh. We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported the event and everyone who helped with the organisation to make it such an enjoyable night. It raised approximately £250 for PTFA funds.

**Community Noticeboard** – Thank you to those of you who have submitted adverts for the Community Notice Board. The annual adverts are nearly sold out but there is still plenty of space on the weekly section.



**Year 5 Assembly** – An interesting story about a rich man and a poor man, along with some naughty elves, a farmer, a king, a princess and a priest, Year 5's assembly gave us all a super start to the day. They had all worked very hard to learn their lines and they acted the story brilliantly. There was a moral there for us all as well – "Honesty is the Best Policy".

**Netball v St Felix** - In the beautiful Wednesday afternoon sunshine, the senior girls played their first competitive netball game. This was a fantastic chance for the girls to put into practice all they had been learning over the last term. St Felix were a much stronger attacking side and quickly took the lead. Although we were unable to score a goal ourselves, the passing and defensive play improved greatly throughout the game.



**Uniform Shop** – Due to your generous donations of second hand uniform, some money has been used to buy new netball bibs for the senior girls and a new match ball. They looked fantastic in their kit on Wednesday when they played St Felix. The Under 7 boys will be sporting their kit which was bought in the same way when they travel to The Abbey on Monday for their football match.

**Games Kit for Next Term** – Just a reminder that after the Easter holidays, children in the senior part of the school will need to have their white games kit.

**Lunches** – Please could we ask that all requests for school lunches for next term are handed in to the office by Monday at the very latest.

**Important Dates** – There are several important dates and times to highlight for the final part of term. Please especially note the change of date for the Easter Service. This is due to Gorleston Festival classes for our two choirs on the last day of term.

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March

- Under 7 Football v The Abbey Leave at 10 am

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March

- Years 3 to 6 to Norwich to see Horrible Histories, leaving at 9.30am. Packed lunch required.
- 2.30pm Easter Concert in the hall – Nursery, Reception and Year 1

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March

- Netball v. The Abbey (Home)

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March

- Fun swim

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April

- Non Uniform Day in aid of East Anglian Children's Hospice
- Inter House Cross Country starting with the junior race at 11.15am
- PTFA Disco (see letter for further details)

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April

- 9.15am Easter Service at church
- Verse Speaking for the Senior School

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April

- Gorleston Festival – Junior Choir at 9.40 and Senior Choir at 11.15 .
- PTFA Easter Cake Sale, Raffle and hat/egg competition in the hall
- 3.30pm – Term ends for Nursery
- 3.35pm – Term ends for children in Reception to Year 3
- 4.10pm – Term ends for children in Years 4, 5 and 6.

**Easy Fundraising** – Following last week's plea we have found that you do not need a password to donate to the PTFA in this way. This is an excellent way to contribute to our fundraising and once you have registered with the site, you simply need to select the school from the list of charities before you start any online shopping. It does not cost you anything!

**The New Field** – Work has continued this week on the new field. The mound from next to the tennis court has been moved on to the field thanks to the efforts of Mr Baxter. Miss Sindall has continued to water the new planting which is showing exciting signs of sprouting.



**Open Day** – Thanks to the hard work of the staff, the children and some parents, the school was looking super this morning as we welcomed several sets of prospective parents to look around our school. There was a wonderful feeling around the classrooms and many very positive comments saying how polite, confident and well-mannered the children are. Pictured here are the choir performing and Kitty and Lily working on the Anglo-Saxon house.

