



# DOWNHAM PREPARATORY SCHOOL AND MONTESSORI NURSERY

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## **Newsletter to Preparatory & Nursery School Parents – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022**

### ***UPCOMING DIARY DATES***

***Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Pre-Primary to visit Reception class (all day)***

***Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Music Workshop for classes 5 & 6/7***

***Monday 27<sup>th</sup> / Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> – Lunch choices swapped for this week***

***Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Y6/7 Leavers' trip to Treetop Adventure Thetford***

***Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June – All show costumes to be in – in a named bag on your child's peg, please***

***Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Last swimming session for this term***

***Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Classes 3 & 4 visit to Kentwell Hall***

### ***Celebratory Lunch – Nursery & Prep – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July***

Please remember to return your forms by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June at the latest. Thank you.

### ***Foodbank***

We will be making our final delivery to the Foodbank next week. If you would like to bring in any more donations, please do so by Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you for all your contributions so far.

### ***School Show – Reception to Y7 - Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July at 1:30pm and Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 6:00pm***

Please remember to order your tickets for the school show as soon as possible.

We are very pleased that we are able to offer refreshments at the evening show on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July.

Mr & Mrs Wilson (from Wenn's & Bank House) have very kindly offered to bring their outdoor bar to the Friday evening performance, and will donate any profit made to the school. (Please note: we are unable to offer refreshments at the afternoon performance on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July.)

### ***Staff Training***

Miss Lovick has recently completed a 'Nurturing Norfolk Play' workshop and training session delivered by Norfolk County Council.

### ***West Stow***

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June, Class 2 had a wonderful day visiting the reconstructed Anglo Saxon Village at West Stow. They identified artefacts in the museum and learnt about daily life in Saxon England. After lunch they walked around the village and saw how their houses were built in different designs.

At the end of the visit the education officer asked the children what they had learnt. He was very impressed with their knowledge of the Saxons.



## ***Sports Day***

Wow! What a fantastic Sports Day we had on Monday. It was so lovely to see parents there once again, cheering their children on. The weather was perfect, as were the children's performances. Well done to everyone who took part and did their best. Certificates will be awarded (in due course) for everyone who took part, including the parents and toddlers! The final scores were: -

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Boudicca 95
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Walpole 81
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Nelson 52
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Carter 42



## ***Sports Reports***

### ***U11 Girls Rounders Report – by Mrs Rockcliffe***

On Friday 10th June the U11 girls hosted an U11 Rounders match against Thetford Grammar school.

We were lucky to be able to go and use the beautiful Stow cricket grounds.

We lost the toss and were put into bat first. Isabella scored 3 fantastic rounders, with the other girls all hitting well and making lots of half rounders. Thetford did field very well though, and got a number of our players out. We didn't have our best innings fielding, with a few misfields, meaning Thetford led at the end of the first half, 10 – 7 ½ .

After a constructive team talk and a few pointers, we came out to bat strongly and quickly and soon scored 3 full rounders. This positive attitude continued and we scored well.

Ruby caught a great catch and we kept the fielding very tight in the second innings, not letting them score many at all. The final score was: Downham 15 ½ - Thetford 13 ½!! A great come back.

Well played all, with a special mention to the "birthday girl" Isabella, whom Thetford named their player of the match. Well done!

### ***U11 Mixed Rounders Report – by Mrs Rockcliffe***

On Wednesday 15th June Downham Prep hosted an U11 Rounders fixture against the Glebe School. We had a mixed team, but Glebe opted to bring all girls.

We won the toss and chose to field first. We worked well together and Oliver W did some great consistent bowling. We did have a few "mad moments" and silly misfields, but kept The Glebe to a score of only 10. We batted well, with rounders from Isabella, Oliver, Hector and Sam. We led at the end of the first half - 11 ½ to their 10.

So, all to play for in the second half, and the fielding was much better. Communication between all the players was excellent and they really worked tactically.

Again, some excellent batting from Downham and pressure on the Glebe's fielders saw many forced errors. Well done to Sam N, whom Glebe named their player of the match.

Final score: - Downham 26 - Glebe 18 ½. Well done to everyone that took part!



### ***U11 Cricket Report- by Mr Lane***

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June, the U11 Cricket team also played against the Glebe School at Stow.

We scored 241 runs and Glebe totalled 264 runs. Although we didn't win this time, the batting and fielding were much improved and everyone played well and enjoyed the match. Well done!

