

# Trowse Primary School

*Christmas is nearly upon us!*

## Fund Raising and Helping Others

We have had some wonderful fundraising efforts recently – the children really like to be involved and know that we are helping others in some small way:

- Macmillan Coffee Morning – We raised £247.94
- Genes for Genes Day – We raised £106.55
- British Legion Poppy Appeal – We raised £60.56
- The Norwich Food Bank were delighted with the gifts that we send before half term
- The Sugar Collection is currently underway – please bring in your bags of sugar to help provide the homeless in Norwich and Norfolk with hot drinks and food over this cold winter period.

## GoGo Hares

You may well have toured the city in past years looking at the gorillas or elephants. We will be taking part in the 'GoGo Hares' arts project next summer and are very much looking forward to how the school, and more to the point, the pupils decide on our design. This is the first time the school has taken part in the project and I am really looking forward to seeing our finished hare alongside all the other school designs.

## New School Building

I hope you took the opportunity at parents' evenings to talk to the architect and project manager for the proposed new school building. I have not really heard any feedback from you and do want to make sure that you feel that you have had an opportunity to give your thoughts. To this end, if you would like to comment- positively or not, please do e-mail me. I will compile all your comments in to one document and send it to the Local Authority on your behalf. Please send all e-mails on this topic to- [office@trrowse.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@trrowse.norfolk.sch.uk) titled 'new school building'.



## Christmas Performance Dates...

### Wednesday 6th December

9.30am KS1 Dress rehearsal

### Thursday, 7th December

2pm KS1 Christmas Production

### Friday, 8th December

9.30am KS1 Christmas Production

### Wednesday, 13th December

9.30 KS2 Dress rehearsal

### Thursday 14th December

9.30am and 2pm KS2 Productions

## Need to contact us?

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## Sporting Opportunities

The children who have represented the school this term have achieved really well! The Cross country team performed exceptionally well at the 'Cluster' level and 19 of them progressed to the South Norfolk event. This was a record for us! Then, at the South Norfolk event, two of our pupils progressed to the Norfolk Finals, to be held in January. Well done to Eloise and Freddie!



We have also had successes in Sports Hall Athletics. Both the Year 3-4 team and the Year 5-6 team have progressed through the 'cluster' round and are in the finals! In fact Trowse came 1<sup>st</sup> in both age categories, all of our cluster schools and federations have more pupils than us, so I am really proud of how fit, strong and fast our pupils are! Fantastic results!

## Some reminders...

In order to make sure we help keep all children safe and the running of the school smooth and painless for everyone, may I take the time to remind you of some day to day routines and rules we would like everyone to adhere to.

- In the morning, children should stay outside with their coats & bags until the bell goes.
- The school is an animal free zone. Please do not bring dogs on to the school site at all, or in to the building.
- At the end of the school day, please head home with your children. It is not intended that any children stay to play on the playgrounds after 3.15. There is not staff supervision and we have had injuries or upset in the past when pupils stay.
- Please do try to park in a considerate manner near the school, particularly do not park on The Dell. The yellow lines are there for safety reasons, so our children can leave school safely and the residents of The Dell can access their homes. Cars, vans and ambulances are having to go up the pavement to get past parked cars. The police will be having a more visible presence around the school shortly to reinforce this.

## READ, READ and READ some more!

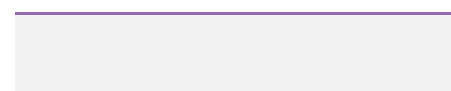
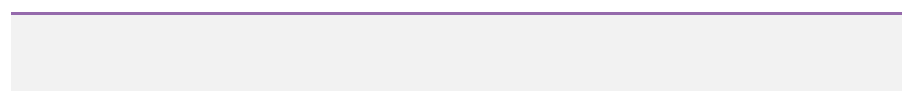
Please do remember, whatever year group your child is in, in order to achieve their full potential, children do need to read at home. This means five things:

- Reading quietly to themselves
- Reading aloud to you
- You reading to them
- Discussing what they, or you, have read to ensure understanding and explain new vocabulary.
- Keeping going on at weekends and school holidays.

All five are relevant for all ages. You can always check with your child's teacher for further advice on the expectations of reading for your child's stage and age- or what types of question to ask your child about their book.

## Don't forget about Maths too!

**Count on Norfolk** is our campaign to help families with children aged 0-11 build a really positive attitude towards maths in everyday life. Just google 'Count on Norfolk' or go to the parent links section of the school website.



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## Christmas in School

Christmas is such a lovely time of year in school and the children are busy preparing for their **Christmas Performances**. You should have received your letter asking you to order tickets for the performances. PLEASE do get this returned ASAP so we can organise the allocation of tickets. There is often high demand and the children do love it when they can see you in the audience.

**Christmas Lunch** for the children is to be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Again, letters have been sent home for you to order a lunch and we encourage all children to join in. If your child would prefer to bring a packed lunch they are of course included in the Christmas atmosphere and are in the hall with the rest of the school.

**Carol Service**. Some of you may know that historically we have an annual carol service at the village church. For a number of reasons, this year, we will be holding the carol service during the school day, for all the pupils only (not parents). School staff will escort pupils to the church and back. It will be held on the last Monday of term.

**Elf Workshop** – the elves will be busy again on the last day of term, Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> December. Please bring your donations into the school hall, there is a box to put them in. FOTS will send out more details soon.

### All Important Calendar Dates !

Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am	KS1 Dress Rehearsal
Thursday, 7 <sup>th</sup> December	2.00pm	KS1 Christmas Performance
Friday, 8 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am	KS1 Christmas Performance
	3.30-4.30	Christmassy Candle Arrangement Workshop with Libby
Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am	KS2 Dress Rehearsal
Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am	KS2 Production
	12 – 1.30	Children's Christmas Lunch
	6.00pm	KS2 Production
Monday, 18 <sup>th</sup> December	2.00pm	Carol Service for school children and staff
Tuesday, 19 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00am	Celebration Assembly
		Elf Workshop all day
	3.15pm	School closes for Christmas
Thursday, 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	8.55am	Children Return to school
W/C Monday, 8 <sup>th</sup> January		ALL AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS START UP AGAIN
Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2018		Admission forms for Sept 2018 Reception children need to be back to NCC.

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