

HEADMASTER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

The weeks are flying by with the final day of January already upon us. As soon as term begins it can feel that life becomes a busy blur of school, work and activities, our days defined by what comes next in the calendar, making it hard sometimes to pause and appreciate all of the special moments that make up each of those days. However, each moment plays a part in helping our pupils to become the best versions of themselves. At Town Close, we want to ensure that we appreciate and celebrate each and every moment, to guarantee that 'every moment matters' for every child in our care.

You may have noticed the launch of our new website this week that focuses on just this premise:

We cherish childhood and embrace every single moment of every day for every child: from their smallest accomplishment to the crucial childhood milestones, we wish to capture the wonder, magic and joy of each moment at Town Close.'

At Town Close, these moments are numerous and varied; this week alone, our U11 girls hockey team enjoyed a special 'moment' finishing 3rd in a competitive regional hockey tournament, rising to the challenge of a shuffles shoot out to secure their final position. Year 1 and 2 pupils were engaged with yoga and forest school; our Year 8 Mandarin pupils celebrated the Chinese New Lunar Year, welcoming in the Year of the Snake with costumes, food and activities that brought the significance of this cultural festival to life for them; our Pre Prep welcomed a scuba diving instructor as part of their topic work on 'The Frozen North', considering how research and experiments are carried out in these icy landscapes; and teams in Prep took on the SATIPS General Knowledge challenge, testing themselves against children from across the country. As I write this, our Colts A team are enjoying their IAPS moment, competing at Ipswich, battling against some strong hockey teams as well as the great British weather! All of these moments, alongside the simple pleasures of playing with friends, learning something new and trying out new activities, ensure our children have a childhood filled with opportunity, growth and fun.

I do hope you have the opportunity to peruse the website and you welcome the new functionality it offers. The 'Parent Hub' is a page to bookmark but, equally, we hope you enjoy exploring all of the pages, viewing the facilities, the people, the curriculum and activities that make Town Close such a special school.

As I look ahead to next week, Storytelling Week looks set to deliver a multitude of moments to treasure, alongside the numerous sporting fixtures and our Year 4 Production, we and our children are in for a treat!

I wish you a happy and restful weekend together.

Mr Nick Tiley-Nunn

