

HEADMASTER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents

The week started with the children arriving in school with odd socks to mark the beginning of anti-bullying week. This is a great way of highlighting the differences between us all and the importance of celebrating what makes each of us unique, something that the Town Close community seeks to do at all times.

Over the course of the week, through tutors, assemblies and within academic lessons, the children had the opportunity to discuss what constitutes bullying and how we can all play a part in preventing it from happening within school and indeed beyond the gates.

In the classroom, the focus of the previous seven days has continued as the children at the top end of the Prep Department ready themselves for their upcoming exams in a little over a week's time.

Now that we are settled back after the half-term break, I am very pleased to report that Mr Andy Smith, who spent the first half of term recovering from prostate cancer surgery, has returned to work and very quickly got back up to speed with the routines and rhythms of school life. It has been a joy to see him back with us and seeing him enthuse the children again with Geography.

While on the subject of the teaching staff, Mrs Rhiannon Marno will be leaving us this term to take up a full-time position at Flegg High School as a teacher of English. We will be sorry to see her leave but fully understand her desire to find full-time employment and the certainty that this brings with it and wish her all the very best for the future. Mrs Marno will leave us on the 5th December.

I am delighted to announce that following a very competitive recruitment process, Mrs Abby Mansfield will be taking over from the 5th December. I am sure that many of you will be keen to meet her and as such, we have created some opportunities towards the end of this term. Please refer to the letter that has been sent out this evening which contains further details.

It was joyous to see the school turned spotty today as we celebrate Children in Need, a very worthy cause that helps support some 37 charities in Norfolk.

Finally, thank you to those of you who have managed to find time to answer our parent survey. We are keen to get as much feedback from you as possible, so if you wish to provide us with your thoughts, please try and complete the survey this weekend as it closes on Monday.

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With best wishes

