



HEADMASTER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WEEK 9, 15TH NOVEMBER 2024

Dear Parents

I write to you today eagerly awaiting to hear from our U11 girls team as they play in the IAPS National Hockey Finals at Repton School – whatever the result, it is a huge achievement to reach this stage of a national competition. With it being a rather busy week, as usual, it seems fitting that as I have been rushing about...on the move, there has also been lots of exciting events in Pre Prep linked to their topic 'On the Move'. Highlights include visits from both the Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service and Norfolk Constabulary, who came equipped with their amazing emergency vehicles. There was understandably much excitement as sirens went on, hoses sprayed out water and the children took turns to explore the vehicles. Thank you to our visitors for working so wonderfully with our pupils to make such a great experience for them. Not to be outdone, Year 2 have also had the opportunity to immerse themselves in the topic during their visit to Bure Valley Railway this week. The children climbed aboard the steam train for a short journey, learnt how steam trains work and completed fun activities about trains.

A theme that has resonated this week has been that of respect as we not only marked Remembrance Day with events in Pre Prep and Prep, but also got the Whole School together to celebrate 'Odd Socks Day' as part of Anti-Bullying Week, where the theme for this year was 'choose respect'. In my assembly with Prep this morning I continued the focus on respect by encouraging the pupils to not only show respect for others, something which I see in abundance during every day school life, but also to respect themselves; both taking time to be kind to themselves by reflecting on personal success but also ensuring that they put their best foot forward in every new opportunity that comes their way. This is sometimes harder to do than respecting others, but I would like every pupil at Town Close to be able to look into a mirror and be deeply proud of the person staring back at them – they have so much to be proud of, each in their own way.

I hope that you have a great weekend.

Mr N A J Tiley-Nunn

