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Double Award Winners!!

Awarded Best Secondary



and Most Inspirational Teacher goes toMr Modica!

The staff and students were delighted to be awarded the Lynn News Secondary School of the Year 2015. We are grateful to everyone who nominated us, we understand the nominations praised our pastoral support and the interventions used to support students with their studies. We are grateful to the West Norfolk Academy Trust for the support and challenge they have provided since we became an academy.

Several of our staff were nominated for the Inspirational Teacher of the Year Award. Both Mr Arndt and Mr Modica were selected as finalists in the face of tough competition from the other schools in the area. On the night Mr Modica won the award. Mr Modica joined St Clement's in September and has quickly made an outstanding contribution to the school. His history students talk of his inspirational teaching methods such as his Great Exhibition where students competed to sell the products of the Victoria age, while the parents from his tutor group praise his pastoral work.

The staff and students at our school work really hard and it is great to have their efforts so publically recognised.

Well done everyone!



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X Factor star visits and gives his anti-bullying message to our students.

Sam Callahan, a former finalist from the well known talent show met our students on Thursday 19th November.

Sam performed for students then delivered a talk about his own experiences of cyber bullying and gave advice to students on how to protect themselves against abuse on social media.

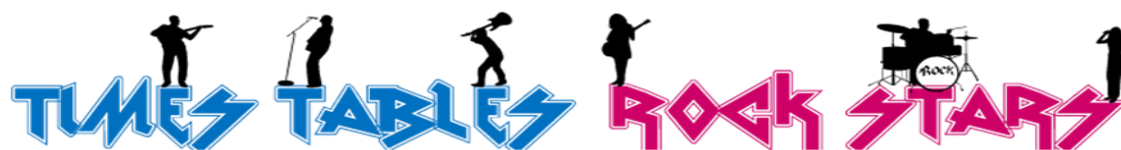
Everyone enjoyed Sam's talk and the students said that Sam and his team were very approachable.

Sam signed autographs and posed with individuals for photographs.

Many students were very excited about Sam's presence in our school.

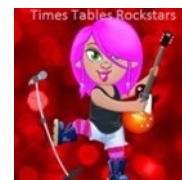


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Hall of Fame - November 2015

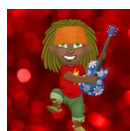
Top 10 @ St Clements



	Name	Speed q/s	Total Earn- ings	Tutor Group
1	Kate Neal	1.5	£9806	8CSC
2	Elizabeth Wood	1.5	£3822	7AMA
3	Arthur Knight	2.0	£5464	8TCO
4	Zac Hubbard	2.4	£5658	8CSC
5	Eleanor Marshall	3.3	£168	7DSC
6	Sophie Baxter	3.5	£3234	8JKE
7	Jasmine Harper	3.6	£377	7AMA
8	Charlotte Beckett	4.0	£30	8CSC
9	Bobby Bloomfield	5.0	£1379	7PWI
10	Eva Davis	5.1	£1366	7AMA

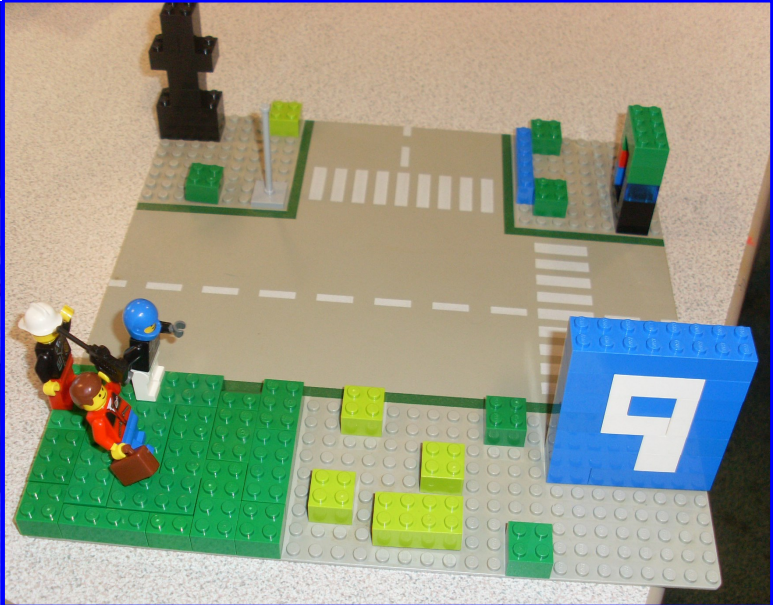
Top schools in the area

	School	Speed q/s
1	Thomas Deacon Academy	3.11
2	St Clements High School	4.32
3	Thomas Clarkson Academy	6.30
4	Wayland Junior Academy	7.09
5	Peterborough Academy	7.16
6	Ken Stimpson Community School	7.56
7	Springwood High School	7.63
8	Thetford Academy	9.14
9	Ormiston Bushfield Academy	12.04





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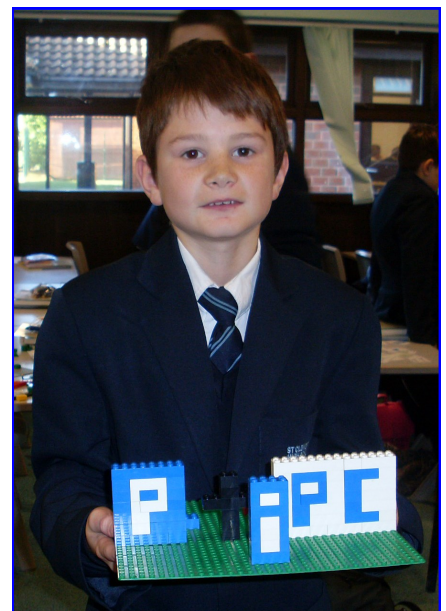
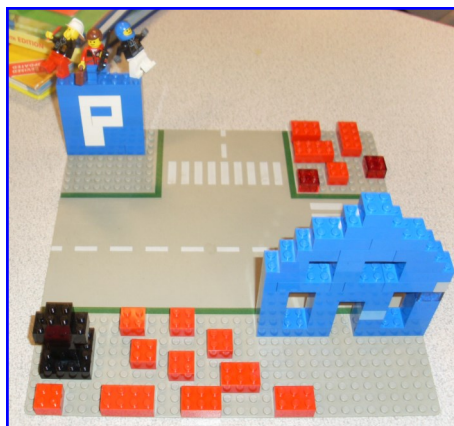
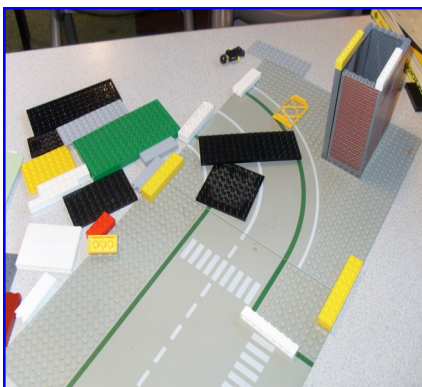


Settlement Patterns

Years 7 set 5 have been studying 'Settlement Patterns'.

They had to make either a **DISPERSED**, **LINEAR** OR **NUCLEATED** settlement and add Lego map symbols to describe the services in the settlement.

(Bold words are keywords in our Geography lessons.)





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Terrington Team Took Mid Placing!

Two Y8 teams from St Clement's took part in a regional round of the international KidsLitQuiz competition. The Quiz was held at Thetford Academy on Thursday 12th November. Four staff and twelve students went to the event. We had two teams of four, one reserve and three Y7's as supporters. LitQuiz tests the students knowledge of books, authors, characters, plots, publishers and other aspects of the literacy world. The criteria for selection was to an avid reader. Team A won a book each for a high scoring round.



Results:

20 teams took part

1st Litcham School A 89

2nd Thorpe St Andrew B
80

3rd Thetford Grammar
75.5

12th St Clement's High A
65

18th St Clement's High B
45





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NETBALL

At the halfway point of the season, the year 7 Netball team have a 100% winning record. They still have five games to play, but they are showing maturity beyond their years! The year 9 and 11 teams entered the West Norfolk tournaments. Unfortunately both teams failed to progress out of the group stage, but showed much improvement during the tournaments.

FOOTBALL

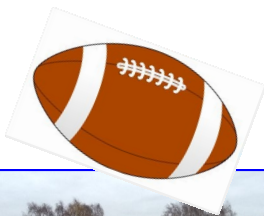
The county cup 1st round draws have not been kind, with visits to Cromer, Dereham and Gorleston. The year 7,8 and year 11 teams have successfully negotiated the first round. Year 7 made the long journey to Cliff Park, but was beaten by the home side. The year 8 and 11 teams had a home tie in the second round; year 8 against Attleborough Academy, the team that knocked them out in the quarter finals last year. Unfortunately they lost for a second successive year to a good team. Year 11 played against Hellesdon High School. For the majority of the first half they held a slender lead but Hellesdon's superior possession eventually told and they ran out easy winners.



Year 11



Year 8



Year 9

RUGBY

Under the guidance of Mr Duce and Dave Clarke (from West Norfolk Rugby Club), rugby has taken off this term. A combination of taster sessions on the curriculum and high quality coaching in after-school clubs has resulted in the formation of two teams across years 7-9. Both teams performed well in their first competition and it is hoped that they will gain more match experience next term.



Year 7



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CROSS COUNTRY

At the time of writing, the final results of the West Norfolk Schools' Championships are not available. Individually, we had 6 students finish in the top ten and qualify for the county finals;-

- Inter boys; Paul Defty 7th Place
- Inter boys; Alfie Bobbins 10th Place
- Junior girls; Jess Boxall 7th Place
- Junior girls; Tiegian Britton 9th Place
- U13 girls; Ellie-Mei Sheppardson 9th Place
- U13 boys; James Suckling 1st Place

The stand out performance came from James Suckling, winning his race in style. We wish all qualifiers the best of luck when they compete in the county finals which take place in January 2016.



Year 10 and 11 girls - jumping for joy!!



TRAMPOLINING

Trampolining has made a return this year. With the work carried out in and on the sports hall last year, trampolining was not possible. Once again, it is proving to be very popular and interest is being boosted by the enrichment programme running for the last three weeks of term

BADMINTON

Badminton has been the stand out club this term. We currently run clubs on Wednesdays and Thursdays. The attendance is often in excess of 60 over the two nights! The school hosts the West Norfolk Tournaments, with KS4 this term and KS3 next term. The KS4 Boys tournament took place on Thursday 3rd December. The boys' team of Harry Knight, Sam Thorpe, Paul Defty and Alfie Bobbins ran out overall winners, losing just one game during the whole tournament. The KS4 girls' team played on Thursday 10th December. This was a much closer competition with three schools challenging for the top slot. Our strong squad performed well and, by the narrowest of margins, finished in 1st place. It is the first time the school has won both the girls and the boys KS4 competitions in the same year. **St Clements were crowned West Norfolk Champions 2015-16.**



KS4 West Norfolk Champions!!!



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SKIING

We had three students, George Arnold, Thomas Arnold and James Suckling, competing in the West Norfolk ski trials on Friday 4th December. The fastest skiers will represent West Norfolk in the Active Norfolk Winter Games next term. They travelled to Trowse dry slope where they completed the set course in time trial fashion.



HOT OFF THE PRESS!!

James Suckling has been selected to represent West Norfolk.



VOLLEYBALL

Mr Bart has started up a volleyball club and those that attend are improving quickly. Volleyball is growing in popularity and we hope to start playing fixtures in the near future.



Christina Phan

Year 8

ARCHERY

We have run an archery club for much of this term. The participation levels are good with all attending showing good progress. There are two available spaces. Anyone interested should see R. Osler to reserve a place.

It is with great sadness I have to inform you of the sudden and unexpected death of our archery coach, Simon Underwood. He has laid a solid foundation in a relatively short time and his presence will be much missed.

MR SINGH

Mr Singh has been with us for the autumn term and has had a very positive impact on the subject area and the groups he has taught.

He now moves onto Springwood where he will complete his teacher training over the next two terms.

We would like to thank him for his contribution and wish him all the best!

PE KIT

As I am sure you are aware, the school has a compulsory PE Kit which is worn by all students. Full details of this are available on the school website and in the student planner. We are now approaching the coldest part of the year. It is vital that ALL students have the correct outdoor PE kit; we only have one indoor space so lessons are taught outside all year round. Once again, there have been a large number of un-named items of PE Kit left in the changing rooms. If you have lost items this term, please see the PE Dept. Many parents/carers have taken to writing the child's name on the back on the embroidered badge-this works very well and seems to last a lot longer!!!



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St Clement's Show Jumping Team.

SHOW JUMPING

On Saturday 12th December the school entered the North Norfolk Show Jumping Event. In awful conditions, the team of Jess Boxall, Georgia Robinson, Paige funnel & Paul Defty performed very well. In the Class 1 team event, they finished 2nd overall. In the Class 2, they finished 4th overall, with Jess Boxall the 3rd fastest individual. Many thanks to all the parents and helpers, in particular Mrs Boxall who co-ordinated the team.

SWIMMING GALA



This took place on Wednesday 9th December at St James Swimming Pool. The school took a full team with a mix of club and recreational swimmers. Overall the school finished in 4th place. The outstanding performer was Ellie-Mei Sheppardson who won the butterfly and will now go on to compete in the county finals next term.

To everyone who helps and supports us

Wishing you a Happy New Year

from Mr Osler and

the PE Dept.



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2nd December 2015 Super Learning Day



Four coaches carrying years 10 and 11 set off to Norwich to watch a production of *An Inspector Calls* by J. B. Priestley. This is a play that the students will study for their GCSE English Literature course.

The coaches arrived in Norwich at mid-day which allowed the students an hour and a half to eat lunch and have a browse around the Chapelfield Shopping Centre.

By two thirty we were all sitting in the Theatre Royal and the play began. The play was enjoyed by all and students commented that when the Birling's house started exploding and tilting it was quite startling.

The students represented the school impeccably and staff were pleased with the valuable positive feedback from this experience.





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Year 7

Super

Learning Day

Anglian Water



Year 9

Christmas

Business

Enterprise

Day





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Do you look after someone in your family who has a sickness or disability?

Do you worry about someone in your family?

You could be a young carer

St Clement's High School

Welcome's

"Emma Kandjou"

from

Young Carers

Offering support, advice and fun activities.

Next Meeting in Rm 7 during lunch break

Just come along.

12th January 2016



Any questions please see Mrs Addison-Paul KS3 Pastoral Support Officer



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The **Great Exhibition in 1851** was the first international exhibition of manufactured products. It was organised by Prince Albert, and held in a Crystal Palace in Hyde Park, London. The main idea of the exhibition was to show off the strength of the British Empire and encourage the sale of the products made as a result of our growing empire.

Year 8 have been on a journey through the Industrial Revolution, learning about the growth of factories, Britain's influence around the world and The Slave Trade. We have been looking at this from the perspective of the British Empire considering all the way through our learning 'how Britain benefited and some people suffered as a result of our growth into the biggest empire the world has ever seen.'

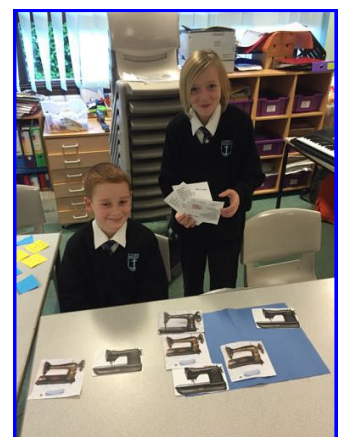
The end of our topic is the Great Exhibition, where the students got into groups and were given a company / product they needed to sell. The competition was to see which group could make the most money. There was some tough negotiating and brave deals being made to our visiting buyers who were given a chequebook to spend, spend, spend!

Our Cadbury Companies:

For example, we discovered about horrific experiences that slaves endured, but a result of their hard work in the plantations of America produced sugar, which led to the growth of luxuries like chocolate and biscuits in Britain. This helped lead to the creation of Cadbury's.



As well as Cadbury, our exhibition saw the sale of Singer Sewing Machines that even today are seen as a luxury brand. Our Singer companies were able to offer different types of products to our buyers and negotiated bulk buying deals.





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Some of our other companies in the Great exhibition:



Terry's luxury clocks:

Ranging in size and quality,
and of course price!
We found the White Star
Line buyers liked our
clocks; they told us they
had something Titanic in
mind for the future!
Wonder what they had in
mind?



Chickering and Sons:

Specialised in pianos, small and grand.
This company wouldn't have been nearly
as successful had it not been for the
potential sales market the British Empire
offered them, as well as some of the
great negotiating skills, particularly
getting an extra £500 from Mr Duce by
offering him an exclusivity deal.



BISCUITS BISCUITS BISCUITS:

Similarly to Cadbury, our biscuit
company was able to use this new sugar
and other raw materials from the
Empire countries to make biscuits and
other new products like hot chocolate,
coffee and a revolutionary idea of
adding sugar to tea! A fantastic shop set
up and great deals made.



Thanks to our visitors too, for helping to bring our Great Exhibition to life.

Mr Modica

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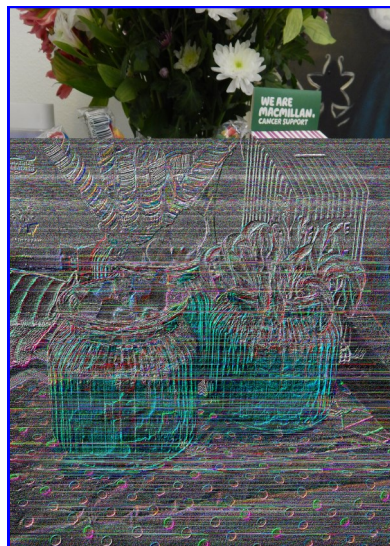


On the 20th November the year 11 students who are working towards their GCSE in Hospitality and Catering hosted a Coffee Morning.

Fresh handmade cakes, sausage rolls and other treats, as well as cups of tea, were prepared by the Year 11 students. A Charlie and the Chocolate factory theme was chosen and all of the food was prepared by the students. They all had roles during the service to make sure the guests had everything they wanted.

The event was attended by the local Women's Institute, the Rotary Club, Academy trustees and Wingland foods who enjoyed the array of sweet treats.

Mrs Clarke





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Cranmer Awards

On 17 November 2015 the RS department took 9 pupils to Castle Rising for a public speaking competition run by Lord Howard. The 6 pupils who competed had to read a passage from the 1662 Common Book of Prayer. This was a daunting task, as the language in this version of the Prayer Book is very old fashioned, and quite difficult to read. The girls who competed, and the three girls who were supporting, all did an excellent job. Unfortunately we didn't win, but they had a marvellous experience, and got to meet Anne Robinson who was the head judge.

The six competitors were Harley Stone, Eloise Rix, Eloise Cumming, Bethany Mallet, Morgane DaSivla and Elizabeth Wood. The girls supporting were Annie Robinson, Raven Wales and Asha Rice.

Mrs Wood



St Clement students meeting head judge Anne Robinson.



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Terrington St Clement pupil Ellie is crowned British Skating Champion



Ellie Sooley-Drew, 13, is the new British inline speed skating champion. The youngster, who attends St Clements High School, has enjoyed an outstanding season of competition.

She said: "I found out I was British Champion whilst I was at the Olympic Park in London and it was a feeling of shock. I still feel so proud of myself. It is a great sport and I have made many friends who are also great skaters." In March she became indoor British champion, winning 300, 500 and 800 metre races as well as beating the British record for the 2000 metre relay, held in Wisbech. At the outdoor championships, held at Tatem Park London in June, she claimed three silver medals and a bronze and, just for good measure, a gold in the relay. The British Marathon Championships were held at the London Velodrome circuit, where she just lost out on a gold medal.

This brings to an end a season which saw another bronze. With the totals for all races it made her overall British Champion, as well as competing in European races and finishing in the top 20. Added to a series of race wins in competitions against teams from afar as Birmingham, London and Derby, and with a new team (RS Pro Skate), she hopes to go on to bigger and better next year, with more European racing. "I think if you ask any skater, they would be to skate like Bart Swings," said Ellie. "The plan is to do more training as I would like to be more competitive in Europe and maybe one day be European Champion. It is hard to find places to train, as we do both on and off skate training." Ellie would like to say a very big thank you to all that helped her on the way and an extra special big thank you to her school for its support.

Well done Ellie!!



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Rotary Young Chef of the Year Competition

Tom Edwards cooked up a storm in the local heat of the Rotary Young Chef of the Year competition, held in the training kitchens at the King's Lynn campus.

Tom is a year 10 student. He wowed judges with a wide range of developed culinary skills, on Tuesday 24 November 2015.

The Rotary Young Chef Competition is a well-established and successful competition organised and promoted by Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland. It is a four-stage national competition to support and encourage development of cookery skills, open to all students in full time education between the ages of 11 and 17.

Tom with his winning dishes.

The competition was judged by Les Philp, owner of Grants restaurant in Norfolk Street and Colin Rushmore who is now retired after spending many years running his own establishments in Norfolk. They both praised the work of the students and the commitment they have made to the competition in creating such quality dishes.

This year saw entrants from both the College of West Anglia and St Clements high school .

Entrants were required to prepare a three course healthy meal comprising of a starter, main course and dessert for two people costing less than £15, within two hours.

Tom's winning three course menu consisted of salmon and dill pate accompanied by toasted granary bread, chicken and leek pie with creamy colcannon mashed potato served with honey roasted root vegetables, and lemon cheesecake served with fresh strawberries.

Tom was presented with his certificate by Trinity Rotary Club of King's Lynn President Jim Milne and representative Bert Cook. He will now head to the district round of the competition at Suffolk One Sixth Form College, Ipswich, on 27 February 2016.

Burt Cook said: "We are very pleased this year to have two school entrants from St Clements high school, as well as candidates from the college of West Anglia. Even on a local level this is a fantastic competition to support. If these young people make it through to the nationals, they will be judged by internationally known judges.

Well done Tom!!!!



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Please could parents be aware of the Governments attendance and legal intervention guidance. A letter was sent home recently from Mr Willingham outlining the guidance. A copy of the letter can be found below and on our website.

27th November 2015

Dear Parent/Guardian

Attendance at School and Legal Intervention

This is a reminder to all parents/guardians regarding the law that requires them to ensure that their child attends school regularly. The Government remains very clear that schools must aim to have the highest attendance possible for all their pupils in order for them to achieve their maximum potential.

The Local Authority operates a system where any pupil who has 10 consecutive sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absence or has attendance of 85% or less with unauthorised absence of at least 15% over a 6 week period will meet the criteria for legal intervention which could be in the form of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Any pupils in St Clements High School who meets either of the criteria will be referred to the Local Authority for action to be considered.

If a Fixed Penalty Notice is issued it is a fine of £60 per parent per child which must be paid in one payment within 21 days. If unpaid, a further notice for £60 per parent per child is issued both individual invoices would then have to be paid making a total payment of £120 in 28 days. It should be noted that a 'parent' can include any individual who shares day to day responsibility for a child.

Failure to pay the total amount within the timescale will result in legal action being taken.

Research has shown that children often do not catch up on work missed which can have serious consequences for their learning and progress. Our aim is to ensure that all our pupils receive the most from their education. I hope we can count on your support in this matter.

Yours faithfully

Mr N K Willingham

Headteacher



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As the Christmas break fast approaches we look back over another busy half term. The class of 2015 returned for their GCSE presentation evening, held in the village church. Charles Dennett from KLFM presented the certificates and prizes, his speech hit home for many students and he promised to keep in touch with the school. My thanks go to Reverend Slipper for allowing us to hold the event in the church and we look forward to returning there at the end of term for our annual Christmas Service. It was fantastic to see so many ex-students and I am very grateful for the many offers we received from those wanting to come back into school to work with our current year 11.

Strong winds battered the school in November causing a few moments of lost power and severe damage to our new cycle rack; this is currently being mended and will be back in action by the start of the new year. Sam Callahan mania broke out among some students when the X factor finalist visited the school, he was a very down to earth character who had important messages about how to stay safe online which was well received by the students.



We had a great evening at the Lynn News Education Awards and we were truly delighted to win both the Secondary School of the Year Award and the Inspirational Teacher of the Year Award which went to Mr Modica. Awards continued to come our way when Tom Edwards won the local round of The Rotary Young Chef of the Year. Tom is very diligent student who thoroughly deserves his success; we all wish him every success in the next round of this national competition.

Our Super learning day this half term saw three year groups go out on trips. The English team took years 10 and 11 to see "An inspector calls" in Norwich. This was something of a mammoth task as it was one of the biggest trips the school has ever run, the students thoroughly enjoyed the play and it should prove excellent preparation for their exams. Maths took the Year 8 team out to Norwich Castle. Year 9 became entrepreneurs for the day and year 7 enjoyed talks and activities with a team from Anglian Water. It was a really good day and a great chance to break away from usual classroom routines.

Our Christmas tree went up in the main corridor at the start of December, and the days seem to have raced past ever since. The school closes completely over the Christmas holiday so all staff can enjoy the festivities, may I take this opportunity to wish everyone a restful break and a Merry Christmas.

Mr Willingham