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Dear Parent/Carer,

Worstead will be taking part in the Eco Schools programme this year, kindly funded by the Diocese. This involves undertaking an environmental review of the school and how it operates, then creating and delivering an action plan for sustainable improvement, starting with three projects this academic year.

The programme covers different areas:

- Decarbonisation – energy, waste, marine, litter, transport, healthy living
- Climate adaptation – water, biodiversity and green infrastructure, school grounds
- Climate education – global citizenship

It will pick up on our federation's vision of hope, particularly for the children's learning and for the world around them, whether that is immediately around them in the school and local area, or further afield.

At the heart of it all will be the children and my first task for before Christmas is to introduce the programme to our school and eco councils who I hope will work together on it. We will then undertake our environmental review and do our action planning in the new year. This work is collaborative, and we will be supported by the Diocese and other Norfolk schools throughout.

If you would like any more information, have a look here: [Home - Eco Schools](#). Otherwise, watch this space: the children will be in touch across the year with details of what we are doing and why 😊

Have a fantastic week.

With kind regards

Steven Boast

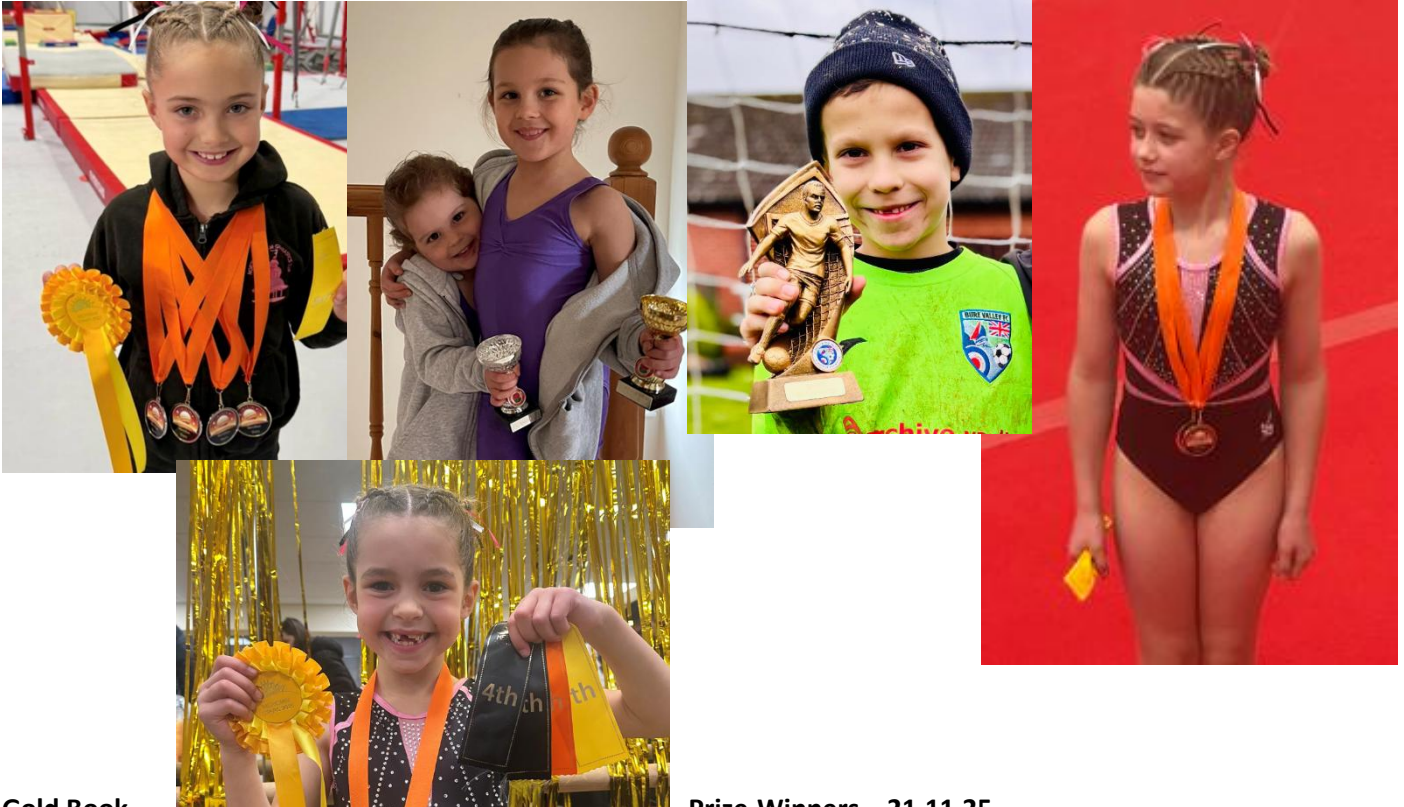
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Out of school success

Congratulations to the following on their success outside of school (and we have so many this week!):

- The Joint Service Cadets Corps boys from Kestrels class (Cody, Monty, Jack and Riley) who gave up their Friday evening to support and help out at the local food bank drive. They did over 50 bags this year, which is fantastic. They helped people less fortunate than themselves at this time of year. They have also fund-raised last weekend at the Flegg Xmas fair made everyone proud during the remembrance service earlier this month. From the parade drill, uniform presentation, and conduct. There was a lot of compliments. Well done boys!
- Esme and Ava, whose efforts and performances earned them each a dance trophy. Well done, girls!
- Jenson for earning the Octopus 1 swimming award last week – great job!

- Alex S who was picked as Player of the Game after his football team won 5–1 against the Aylsham Avengers on Saturday. He had a fantastic match, allowing the opposition to score only one goal. A well-deserved achievement!
- All of our competitors at the Meridian Gymnastics Competition in Peterborough:
 - o Darcie for her 1x 3rd, 2x 4th, 1x 5th and 6th overall
 - o Harper who achieved: Vault – gold, Bar – silver, Floor – silver, Beam – fifth and Overall – silver
 - o Ivy Bird who came away with a 5th on vault, 2nd on bars and 1st on floor with a 5th place overall.



Gold Book

Prize-Winners – 21.11.25

Kindness

- Robins – Rosie, for always being a kind friend to everyone in the class and sharing the toys with them.
- Swifts – Ivy for listening to others in her science group and helping them to write down their ideas when listing all the changes in nature that they could think of.
- Hérons – Lily, for showing great kindness to Mrs Swales by always offering to help in the classroom; even during her break and lunchtimes.
- Kestrels – Evie, for being able to work with any partner and who is always will to support and offer her opinions.

Perseverance

- Robins – Barney, for trying hard to get his coat on by himself and succeeding even though he found it hard at first.
- Swifts - Josie for trying hard with her writing about her Autumn picture and not giving up.
- Hérons – All of Herons, for persevering when making their own pizza dough; it took time to get the consistency just right, but you worked well with your groups to mix and knead the dough to perfection!
- Kestrels – Harry, for continuing to build and edit his story; it was lovely to see how proud he was when sharing it.

Perfect Presentation

- Robins – Rosalie, for always carefully writing her letters and words during phonics.
- Swifts – Merlin for carefully forming his letters, using a cursive style and writing letters of a consistent size.
- Hérons – Rose, for making a beautiful start to her published diary entry.
- Kestrels – Eva, for beautifully formed letters during her draft and published versions of her story.

Reading Prizes

Hérons: Lily, Jessica, Ginny

Forest School

Groot goes to Rosalie for being kind and giving a leaf to Mrs. Alexander and for her magical Robin encounter as she watched the bird quietly.

Bowtruckle goes to Evie for having a helpful attitude and showing kindness to others. Well done Evie.

Diary dates

DECEMBER		
Wednesday 3rd December	12:30-2:30	Panathlon Bowling Event- Selected pupils
Wednesday 3rd December	2pm	Hérons' family café
Wednesday 3 rd December	Pm	Swifts walk around the village
Friday 12 th December	5-7 pm	Friends of Worstead Disco
Monday 15 th December	2pm & 6pm	Christmas performances
Tuesday 16 th December		Hérons trip to Time and Tide Museum
Wednesday 17 th December		Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day
Thursday 18 th December	2pm	Christingle at the Church
Friday 19 th December		Last day of term
JANUARY		
Tuesday 6 th January 2026		Pupils return to school
Friday 16 th January		School photographer- class photos
Monday 26 th January	2-4pm	Football tournament at the Nest- Selected pupils
FEBRUARY		
Friday 13 th February		Last day of term