



MESSAGE FROM MR OLNEY, HEAD OF SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers,

We know that pupils who have a positive attitude towards their learning will make good progress and be successful. Therefore, instilling all our pupils with 'growth mindsets' is very important.

We want all our pupils to relish challenges, embrace their mistakes as part of the learning process, value the importance of effort, respond carefully to feedback and take inspiration from others.

This will help them to achieve, not only with us, but also in their future lives as adults. We know that in order to fulfil the potential of our pupils and to encourage them to become confident and resilient learners we, as a team of parents and staff, need to be modelling the mindset of a learner who is not afraid of making mistakes but who thrives upon them, knowing that this is all part of the learning process. The way in which we encourage children to learn and explore is vital to their success, not only at school but at home as well.

At Bure Valley, we consistently endeavour to challenge and develop the attitudes of all pupils and staff towards learning by considering what makes a successful learner. Our school and your home should be buzzing with talk of perseverance, challenge, risks and celebrating mistakes. Help us and help your child by helping them to develop a growth mindset.



[Growth Mindset vs. Fixed Mindset - YouTube www.youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KUNw_TJTrnU&safe=active)

There are two types of mindsets we can cultivate. One that embraces problems as opportunities to learn, and one that avoids them, often out of fear to fail.

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I also want to take this opportunity to make parents and carers aware that I am expecting my third child very soon and that following the birth of my daughter I intend to take two weeks Paternity Leave to support mum and to help look after our other children. I want to reassure you that the school will run smoothly in my absence under the leadership of Mr Spalding, Mrs Howard and Mrs Pope. In the meantime, if any 'outnumbered' parents want to pass on some advice - I am all ears!

J Olney





25 HALOS - as at 8/2/19

Well done to all those who have achieved
25 & 50 Halo stars this week

France - Logan P (25)
Lacey B (25)
Ella T (25)
Elliott N (50)
Thomas M (50)

Spain - Lexi G (25)
James R (25)
Max B (25)
Ruby R (50)
Lucy E (50)

Australia - Zack P (25)

UPCOMING EVENTS

12 Feb - Family learning afternoon

13 Feb - Yr6 Gressenhall Trip

14 Feb - Spain Assembly

15 Feb - Star of the half term assembly

15 Feb - Last day of half term

25 Feb - Back to school

6 Mar - Italy Assembly

18 Mar - Book Fair week
(info to follow)

19-20 Mar - Parents evenings

21 Mar - Brazil Assembly

27 Mar - Mexico Assembly

29 Mar - Spring Fayre

4 Apr - France Assembly

5 Apr - Last day of term

EDP LEGO TOKENS



We are collecting the EDP/Archant Lego education tokens (a scheme similar to the book tokens) which is launching in February. We will, at some stage, have a collection box, which will be placed in the front entrance, but until it arrives, please bring any tokens to the office.

Thank you

ATTENDANCE WATCH

Our target school attendance figure is 97.2%.

Our current figure is... **95.4%**

Our class of the week is:

FRANCE Class with 97.7%

See our website for important dates later in the term.

BVS Fortnightly available online, or via paper copy from reception





YR3 CASTLE MUSEUM TRIP

My Castle Museum Trip

On Thursday, 31 January 2019, I went to the Castle Museum in Norwich with my school friends. The museum was huge, it had three floors, it looked like a massive mansion. We looked at the Egyptian mummies. The man at the museum told me they put salt on them for 30 days and then dug it off them. They also put scents on them as well to stop them smelling. It was so interesting.

I loved my trip to the museum. I am going to go again with my family.

Elias J, France Class

A day at the castle

On Thursday we went to Norwich Castle. When we got there we went to a room which had a mummy in. The man told us about mummification. He told us they have to tear out the lungs and brain. They mash the brain up and put it in a bin. Then they put salt on the mummy and wrap it up with bandages.

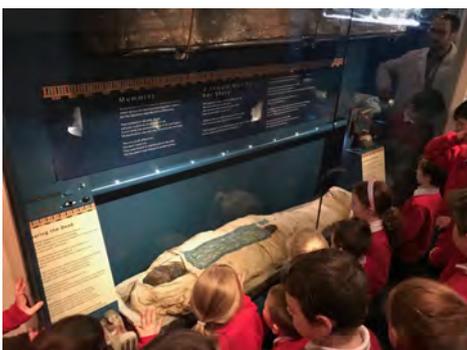
We got to look at and touch Egyptian goddesses.

We had lunch and we made a collar which was fun.

We learnt about Egyptian life and we dressed up in Egyptian clothes and pretended to dig up food.

We then got on the bus and went back to school. We had fun.

Ben B, Spain Class





YOUNG VOICES 2019

On 29 January, the BVS choir headed off down the M11 to the O2 for the 2019 Young Voices concert. After several months of rehearsing, all their hard work would be rewarded with a chance to sing with over 8100 other children! The children spent the afternoon rehearsing and meeting members of the show - which would normally have worn them out! However, their adrenalin had obviously kicked in and by the time the evening performance started they were all still going strong. The parents in the audience were able to locate the children thanks to Mrs Taylor's signage!!

The concert was absolutely amazing with guest performances - the main one being Tony Hadley from Spandau Ballet. However, for the audience, the stars were the children!

The finale was an amazing selection of songs from the Greatest Showman, which can only be described as 'spine tingling'.

Well done to everyone and a big thank you to our Mrs Taylor, for the hours spent organising everything, and Mr Brookes. Also to the members of staff and parents who helped at the O2 - Mrs Timmins, Miss Larkins, Mrs de Ville Shaw and Mr Olney.

As always the children did us all proud!

Thank you also to the parents/carers/families who have been so positive with their feedback about the day.





RUN OF SUCCESS

Well done to our 16 cross-country runners who braved the freezing weather and fog at Blickling estate on Monday, 21 January. Despite the weather they all ran their best and cheered each other on, although they were ready to make a quick exit after all the races. These races were run by North Norfolk School Sports partnership with the top 10 runners in each event being invited to the Norfolk school games finals. Each year group had a girls and boys race starting with the year 3's with each year group having an extra 200m to run. Their hard work was rewarded with eight children qualifying for the finals at Holkham Hall on Wednesday, 6 March; these included two gold medals and a bronze.



MAKING A BIG SPLASH

Friday, 25 January saw more success in a busy week of sport when 38 pupils represented the school at the North Norfolk School Sports Partnership's swimming gala at Victory swimming pool. All the races were swam in great spirit with lots of support for all the swimmers and group joy at others successes. Medals were once again being won by pupils, with an amazing 28 medals being won over all (9 gold, 9 silver and 10 bronze). These included a clean sweep of medals in the year 4 boy's backstroke and year 4 girl's butterfly. A magnificent effort by all.



NEW KIT

Thanks once again to the friends committee who have helped purchase more sports kits for the pupils to wear when representing the school. Last year we saw 153 of our pupils have the opportunity to do this last year and we hope to have similar numbers again this year.

