



# The Drake News

6TH JUNE 2025

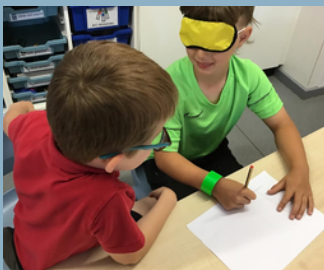
Where a World of Opportunity Awaits

Our value this half term is...



## friendship

This week we have been exploring the value of friendship. In class children have been completing activities and having discussions about how to be a good friend.



## Every Day Matters



It is a statutory requirement for children to attend school every day.

This week's winners are...

Tabei with 98.33%

## Sports Day!



A huge well done to our children for participating in Sports Day. A big thank you to all our families for coming to support and making it a wonderful event. Our children worked hard to prepare for sports day, learning new athletic events and skills. There was lots of fabulous achievements and competition. Well done to the winning teams! However, we are most proud of the team spirit the children demonstrated, congratulating and cheering their team mates on!



## Hickling Broad!



Before half term, Year 2 visited Norfolk Wildlife Trust's Hickling Broad. The wetland has a mix of open water, reedbed, fen and woodland habitats which our children enjoyed exploring for wildlife. The children found and identified a wide variety of life. This trip supported Year 2's science learning on living things and their habitats.



We found tiny fish and also bloodworms - Cayce



Bats use their ears instead of their eyes to help find food, I loved playing the bat and moth game - Emily



I found a lesser spotted boatman in my pond dipping tray, it only had two legs but swam really fast - Conroy



# WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2025

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June, it was World Environment Day and this year the theme was 'Beat Plastic Pollution.' We found out about single use plastics and microplastics.

We discussed:

- What is plastic pollution?
- Where do we use single use plastics in school?
- What is plastic doing to our environment?
- How can we stop plastic pollution?

"We should use less plastic and throw away less plastic. We can recycle any plastic we do use." Cai

### Reduce

Reducing the number of plastic things we buy means we end up reducing the amount of rubbish we produce.

### Reuse

Reusing things multiple times is a great way of reducing the rubbish we throw away too.

### Recycle

Lots of things can be recycled and made into something else. Look at the label and find out how recycling works in your local area.



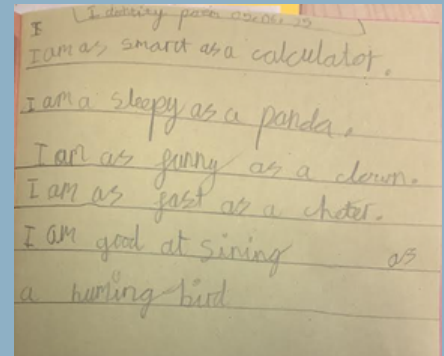
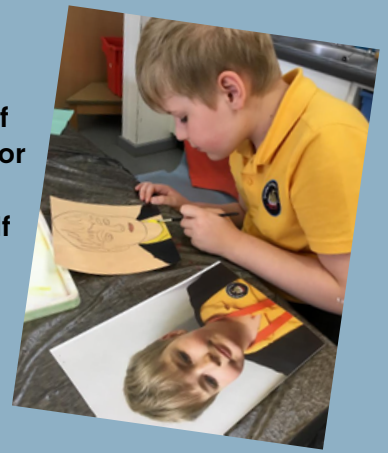
This week's podcast -

"Daniel and co are back at the Pokéstop to discuss surprising Pokémon types!"

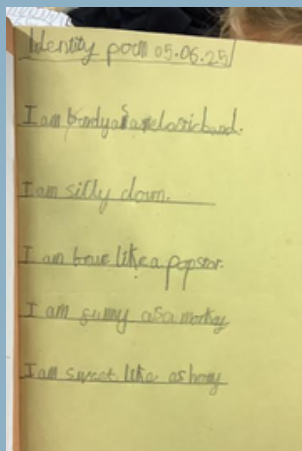
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## Art's Week!

This week we held our Diversity through the Arts week. Arts Week is a celebration of the diversity of the Drake School Community and an opportunity for children to explore their identity. The children expressed aspects of their identities through a self portrait, a poem and a mind map.



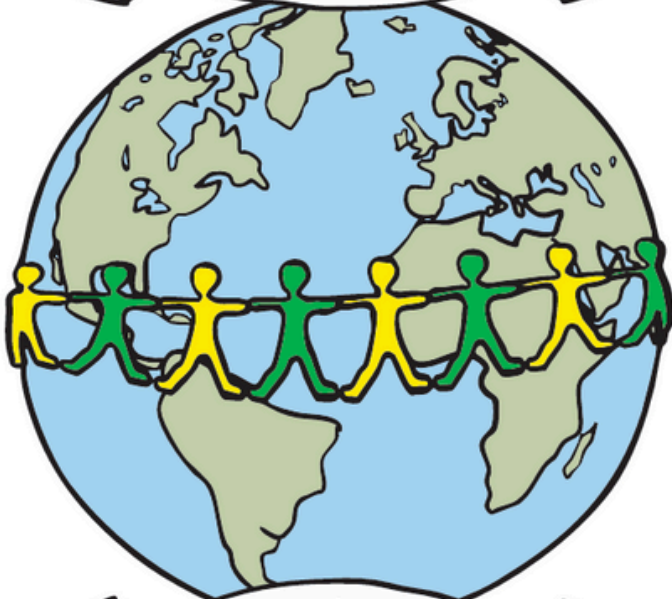
The children will add their identity maps and poems to their journals and have an opportunity to look at their work from previous years. The portraits are incredible and will be displayed in Thetford, The Royal Norfolk Show and at our Summer festival exhibition.



We look forward to inviting you to see our work soon!

 A DAY OF WELCOME

**WE WELCOME**



**THE WORLD**

 Refugee Week



A Day of Welcome

**Friday 13th June 2025**

A Day of Welcome is an annual day of solidarity and learning to build a culture of welcome and an understanding for people seeking sanctuary.

To mark a day of welcome we will be participating in live lessons delivered in collaboration with VNET, and Amnesty International. As part of the day, children are invited to wear non-uniform with a superhero theme in exchange for a donation. We will also be creating the word welcome using ourselves on the field!

Details about how to donate to follow.

A message from our kitchen...



Our wonderful kitchen is led by Carole and her team Pauline, Tina and Rachel.

We wanted to let you know more about our meals. We are accredited with a Silver Food for Life award. This means our food is local and ethically sourced.

We use many organic ingredients including our beef, flour and pasta.

We also make our own bread on a daily basis.

Our team are welcoming and approachable and would like you to know that they can cater for every child's individual dietary requirements and allergies. Please do come and talk to our team.

More information can also be found on the Norse website -  
<https://norsecatering.co.uk/primary-school-catering/>



# Summer Concerts

FEATURING

Year 2 Wednesday 18th June 9 am

Year 5 Thursday 19th June 9 am

Y6 Thursday 19th June 2.45 pm

Reception Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2:45 pm

Year 1 Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2:45 pm

Year 4 Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 9 am

Year 3 Hansel and Gretel Performance

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1.30 pm

June & July  
2025



# MAKING SENSE OF SEND.



## FREE INFORMATION EVENT

For parents/carers of young people with SEND and the professionals who work with them.



Friday 27 June 2025



10am-2pm



County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2DH



Have your questions answered



Attend talks



Share your experiences with leaders



Get information & advice from services

Find out more and book your place:



<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/40579/Making-Sense-of-SEND>



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