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Local Memories, Broadening Horizons

20th November 2026

Hunstanton Rotary Club

We would like to say a big thank you to Hunstanton Rotary Club for generously gifting our year 3's with a dictionary. We look forward to welcoming you again next year.

Thank you from North Norfolk Food Bank

Thank you to everyone who donated food at this year's harvest festival. As you know the food went to the North Norfolk Food bank, part of the Trussel Trust charity. They provide emergency food parcels and support to people in crisis across North Norfolk. Our donations were weighed and we raised an amazing 66.10kgs worth of food!



Parents Evenings & SEND meetings.

Thank you to the many parents that attended our parents' evenings over the last two weeks. It's been lovely to welcome in so many families and share your child's/children's learning journeys with you all. Thank you to everyone that came to see Class teachers and Mrs Beck, our SENDCO, for SEND parents' meetings last week. It is a great opportunity to work collaboratively together.

Thank you as always for your continued support of the school 😊.

It was great to see so many families attending our parents' evenings this week. If you would like to see your child's teacher but were unable to make an appointment for this week please do dojo your class teacher directly to arrange a time to meet with them.

FOBS

Non-Uniform Day (today!): Thank you for all your wonderful tombola donations that were brought in today, we really appreciate your support.

Winter Fair – Friday 27th November: It's our Winter Fair next Friday! We are still taking in donations for the toy, Bric a Brac and jumble stalls, thank you to those that have already brought in items, your support is much appreciated. Please keep bringing in your jam jars too! There will be tombola's, Christmas games, refreshments, Christmas craft making and our usual toy and jumble stalls. Doors will open at 2.30pm, come along and get into the festive sprit.

Big Raffle: As you know we launched our 'Big Raffle' last week, we have over 40 incredible prizes this year, there is definitely something for everyone. Raffle sheets went home in bags last week, where you can request tickets, if this hasn't made it home or you have lost it, please request another from the office. The draw will take place on 9th December at the evening school performance. Please can we ask for all forms and money to be returned to the office by 8th December. Please remember that friends and family can also purchase tickets online at www.tiny.cc/fobs (please note there is a minimum £3 online purchase). Thank you, as always, for your incredible support. Good luck!

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Burnham Market stars in BBC festive film

Having won several film-making awards, our school has now starred in a BBC feature film itself, with pupils and staff appearing as extras alongside leads Rhys Ifans and Laura Linney.

Burnham Market Primary was the chosen location for Onwards and Sideways, the latest film release from the Oscar-nominated John Madden, which relates the story of a teacher who discovers he has Parkinson's Disease.

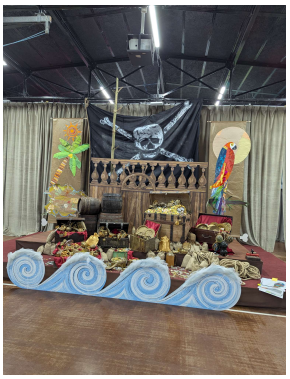
Our Senior Teacher, Ash WIlliams, assisted with the production process, as well as playing a supporting role in the filming at the school.



"Following the success of previous film-making projects at Burnham Market Primary School, including our award-winning productions S.I.Superficial Intelligence and SpaceBop, the school had developed a reputation for providing exciting film-making opportunities," he said.

"When the production team began looking for schools in Norfolk, a contact at the County Council recommended Burnham Market and myself as potential contacts for them to approach, as they were aware of how important film was to us.

"Following a number of location-scouting meetings and technical visits, Burnham Market was chosen for its fantastic and picturesque setting. In the words of the film's location team, it was an ideal setting. In fact the whole crew fell in love with the school."



Children from Reception to Year 6 created art to be displayed in the film, while many featured as extras – and one even took part in a stunt.

Mr Williams explained: "All 115 children in the school helped produce artwork for the film, with the production crew and BBC providing art materials and classroom supplies. This involved creating Peter Pan and autumn-themed artwork, which featured throughout the school scenes.

"Many of the children also auditioned to appear as extras in the film, with a number being selected to take on supporting roles as school children.

"One of our children, Quinn, was even chosen to perform a stunt. This involved pretending to fall and crashing onto a crash mat during one of the scenes. Rhys Ifans was so impressed that he even commented: 'This guy's a pro!'"



Following the world premiere at the Toronto International Film Festival, the UK premiere of Onwards and Sideways took place at the Odeon in Leicester Square on 1 November, where Mr Williams and his fellow teacher and co-star, Ivan Bates, were invited as special guests to represent Burnham Market. Mr Williams continued: "Having our school feature in such a high-profile film, working alongside such an incredible calibre of acting and film-making talent, is something truly special.



"We even showed the trailer in assembly, which was a very exciting event, with many of the children freeze-framing it to find themselves."

Onwards and Sideways is currently on nationwide release, and is also due to be shown on the BBC over the festive period. Mr WIlliams added: "It was a pretty amazing experience. The production team were incredibly warm, creative, and accommodating – and I honestly don't think they could have chosen a better setting.

"In recognition of the support provided by the school and myself, we both received special thanks in the film's end credits. I'm not sure how many primary schools or teachers can claim to have their own film credits!"

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Good Work Awards/Values Awards

	Good Work Award	Values Award
SEALS	Una – thw effort you put into your reading has really paid off!	Archie – you took great pride in your English work.
TURTLES	Lexie – you have worked hard in every lesson	Albie – you have worked hard and took pride in your English work.
DOLPHINS	Kya – for your impeccable work in all your learning.	Kitty – for the consistent effort and pride you take in all your work.
KITTIWAKES	Frankie – amazing work in English & Maths.	Keegan – fantastic pride in his home-learning and art. Brilliantly creative!

Out of School Awards

Logan – for representing Kings Lynn Town FC Academy u12's Football club.
Finn - for representing Kings Lynn Town FC Academy u12's Football club and being awarded MOTM.

Lunchtime Clubs

Tuesday	Girls Football	Y3-6
Wednesday	Football	Y4-6

After School Clubs

Tuesday	Fencing	Y3-6	3.15 - 4.15	£3.50 per session
Wednesday	Choir	Y3-6	3.15 – 4.00	
Wednesday	Dodgeball	Y4-6	3.15-4.15	

Dates:

21st November – Burnham Market Christmas lights switch on
26th November -King's Lynn Area Football
27th November – Winter Fair
2nd December – Cluster Quiksticks Hockey Yrs 4-6
4th – December – Look to Christmas concert 4pm
8th December – Christmas Performance 1.30pm
9th December – Christmas Performance 6pm
10th December – Christmas Jumper day
11th December – Whole School Pantomime
15th December – Christingle
17th December – Christmas Lunch
18th December – Last Day of Term

5th January – School Starts for 2027
5th February – Valentines Bingo
12th February - Last Day of Spring 1 Term
22nd February - First Day of Spring 2 Term
4th March – World Book Day
5th March – SEND parents meeting
25th March - Last Day of Spring 2 Term
13th April - First Day of Summer 1 Term
3rd May - Bank Holiday Monday-School Closed
28th May - Last Day of Summer 1 Term
7th June - First Day of Summer 2 Term
21st July - Last Day of Summer 2 Term

Designated Safeguarding Leads in school: Mrs Stroulger, Miss Clarke, Mr Williams, Mrs Beck and Mrs Baker-Milne