



P Parking arrangements on Recreation Road

During last school year, we informed you about the potential introduction of permit parking on Recreation Road by Norwich City Council. I met with local councillors and the Transportation Planner at the time to express the school's concerns about the initial plan. As a result of feedback from us and other local schools, some amendments were made, and all on-road parking opposite the school's frontage will now have a 4-hour maximum time limit, rather than being permitted. However, some parts of Recreation Road will still become permit parking from 6th January onwards. To help reduce demand for on-road parking, school staff and visitors will use the additional spaces created within the school site during the summer. We hope this will help to lessen the impact of permitting on families dropping off and collecting children.

Norwich in Bloom successes

Congratulations to our Gardening Club, who helped the school to win several awards at the Norwich in Bloom presentation:

- 1st place – Best Fruit and Vegetable Garden
- 2nd place – Best School Scarecrow
- 2nd place – Best School Record and Diary
- 3rd place – Best School Conservation Garden

Given our success in a range of different categories, the school was named the Overall School Winner for 2019. Well done to Jenny Martin, the children and the many volunteers that make Gardening Club such a great asset to our school.



Working Parent Consultation Group

Since the last newsletter, I have had three parents contact me, keen to help the school reach out more effectively to working parents. If you would also like to be involved, please contact me directly by email (head@recreationroad.norfolk.sch.uk) before the start of the new term.



No dogs on site, please

Please do not bring dogs onto the school site. In the new year, we will be improving our signage to help embed this message. Thank you.

School of Sanctuary update from Nicki Cushion

Our work on School of Sanctuary participation is progressing well. Many people have come forward to help to shape this work. We look forward to working together with them in the new year.

Thanks to Nikki Davies and the PTA, we have some super new books detailing refugee journeys and other stories that help to promote the idea of a 'safe place'. We will be using these in school in the months and years to come.

We have planned our first event to help some refugee charities in January. With the help of Madi (mum to Lola and Dylan), we are launching the **Comfort Project**. We are collecting any donations of warm clothing (adult hats, gloves, coats, blankets, hot water bottles etc) for Refugees and Asylum Seekers. Refugees often have to flee their country and arrive with nothing. At this cold time of year these items would be most helpful. We will be explaining this to all children in January.

There will be a visible donation/collection point at school on **Thursday 16th and Friday 17th January** – please help us if you can.



HAVE A GREAT FESTIVE BREAK

SPRING TERM STARTS ON MONDAY 6TH JANUARY!

