

# **Nacton Church of England Primary School Report**

## **April 2019**

It has been another successful twelve months for Nacton School. We continue to strive to provide our pupils with a wide and rich curriculum, offering a wide variety of opportunities including art, music and sports enrichment days. Our most recent enrichment day was curling, our next will be kinball. All of our pupils have been involved in decorating an elephant as part of 'Elmer's Big Parade' organised by St Elizabeth Hospice and are looking forward to finding out where our Elmer will be placed in Ipswich. This has involved much fundraising which has totalled over £1,100.

Educational visits and visitors are still central to our pupils' learning and are a particular favourite for our pupils. Our oldest pupils have taken part in a week-long residential visit to Bawdsey Manor, where they were able to try a wide range of adventurous activities and had tremendous fun. We are regularly travelling to BT to take part in a wide range of coding activities. Our Year 6 pupils have successfully led a number of services at St. Martin's Church including Easter, Christmas, harvest and our leavers service. Parents/carers have also attended a number of school functions including Christmas decoration afternoon, Safer Internet Day and our World War I centenary assembly.

We have a highly active School Council who recently enjoyed representing the school at the Commonwealth Day celebration. Our 'Guardians of the Planet' team is working hard to make us an increasingly environmentally friendly school. A particular focus has been on reducing water wastage and litter picking. They have already reduced the amount of plastic used in the school by changing the way our milk is delivered.

We were delighted with the SATs results that our Year 6 pupils achieved in 2018, which were once again well above the national average. In the Suffolk league table, we were the 16<sup>th</sup> highest achieving primary school in the percentage of pupils achieving the expected standard in reading, writing and maths; 7<sup>th</sup> for the average point score in reading and 7<sup>th</sup> for the progress in reading.

During the summer holiday, we had our entire fire safety system upgraded and in October half term we had our school field dug over, levelled and re-seeded. The grass has grown exceptionally well and the children are enjoying being able to use it again. The school, in particular the pupils, are very thankful that we have been able to use Victoria Field for our morning playtimes during the time our field was out of action.

Mrs G Ryan

Headteacher