

# **Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association**

# Schools News Autumn 2002

### Royal Norfolk Show Schools Marquee



The 2002 Royal Norfolk Show welcomed 4,733 school children many took part in trails around the showground, which were kindly sponsored by Colmans of Norwich. The exhibits in the Schools education marquee demonstrated a range of work by schools on Food, Farming and the Countryside as part of the national curriculum. If your school would like to be considered for participation in our Schools marquee at the 2003 Royal Norfolk Show please contact Felicity Daniels, Assistant Head Steward telephone 01493 730338. The Food and Farming Schools Challenge finalists talked about their work to visitors who this year included the Earl of Wessex and Show President, Bernard Matthews CBE.



### **Schools Art Competition**

The 2002 Schools art Competition was kindly sponsored by the Clan Trust. The competition was themed on Food, Farming or the Countryside and attracted 767 entries from 30 schools and individual artists. Standard of entries was very high in each age group and the judges, Mr Hugh Alston, Vice Chairman of the Clan



Trust, Mrs H Alston, Patrice Baldwin, Advisor (Promotion of the Arts in Schools), and David Talks, local artist and Royal Norfolk Show Art steward had a very difficult task deciding the winners. The following were presented with their prizes at the Royal Norfolk Show on 27 June.

#### Reception, Years 1 & 2

Winner - Kieran Clarke, Attleborough Infant School. Runner-up - Nathan Hill, Millfield Primary School, North Walsham Years 3 & 4

Winner - Deion Hume, Northfields First School Runner-up - Hannah Varney, Toftwood Junior School, Dereham Years 5 & 6

Winner - Hannah Weston, Wood-Dene School, Aylmerton Runner-up - Francesca Gray, Horsford All Saints Middle School Years 7 & 8

Winner - Rhiannon Jones, Cliff Park High School, Gorleston Runner-up - Eve Hall, Cliff Park High School, Gorleston Years 9 & 10

Joint Winners - Beth Haudiquet, Clare Brown, Daniel Crosby, Cliff Park High School, Gorleston

The Royal Norfolk Agricultural Association Schools Art Competition for 2003 will be entitled "Norfolk Farming in Style". This is intended to give children the opportunity to study the art of professional artists, who have depicted aspects of farming in their work and then, for the children to produce a piece of art in the style of their chosen artist. Alternatively children may use their own style, without reference to the existing work of any professional artists.

There will be 5 age group categories, from Reception to Year 10. Entries should not exceed max A3 or be three-dimensional. First prize for each age group category will receive £100 for the school and £30 for the child with the runners-up in each category receiving £75 for the school and £10 for the child. Look out for entry forms through the schools post or contact Linda Rose telephone 01603 731966 or email linda@royalnorfolkshow.co.uk. Entries will close on 28 March 2003. Artwork will be on display at our Spring Fling event on Wednesday 16 April 2003. Winning entries will be displayed in the Schools Marquee at the Royal Norfolk Show. The prize giving will take place on Thursday 26 June at the Royal Norfolk Show.

**Diary Dates** Schools Art Competition entries close 28 March 2003 Spring Fling 16 April 2003 Royal Norfolk Show 25 & 26 June 2003

### Spring Fling Wednesday 16 April 2003

At Spring Fling 2003 there will be hands on activities for the 4-12 year age range. Join in the fun and learn more about Food, Farming and the Countryside. An adult must accompany children. Most stands are under cover but sensible footwear and clothing will be required for the Woodland Walk. Details will be advertised in the press and on our website www.royalnorfolkshow.co.uk.

### Royal Norfolk Show 25 & 26 June 2003 -School Parties



The Royal Norfolk Show will take place on 25 & 26 June 2003. School trails for Key Stages 1 & 2 will be available on Countryside & Conservation, Food & Farming, Livestock, Machinery, Beekeeping, Woodland Crafts and Woodland Nature. School parties enjoy a discounted rate of £2.00 per school child these fees can be reclaimed by returning completed school trails. Entry forms for school parties and school trail packs will be available from May 2003. If any teachers would like to join our team to set Key Stage 3 questions on information that can be found at the show please contact Felicity Daniels, Assistant Head Steward, telephone 01493 730338.



## Food and Farming Challenge

The Food and Farming Challenge provides an opportunity for secondary school pupils to provide solutions to genuine problems experienced by organisations involved in food, farming or the countryside. The pupils work in groups of perhaps 4-6, over a number of weeks, research the problem and then present their solutions and suggestions to the Challenge Setter. There is a competitive element where those students with the best solutions present their work to a panel of judges and then display the work at the Royal Norfolk Show.

Any school interested in participating in the scheme this year they should contact Roger Stanton at NEICG on 01603 622991 who will be pleased to discuss the type of Challenge to suit your particular Curriculum needs.



Aylsham High School - Winners of the Schools Challenge 2002

### **NFEL Loan Boxes**

Key Stage Resource Loans for Schools

Last academic year saw the Key Stage 1 & 2 loans in full use across the city and throughout the county. In fact, during the summer term, demand far exceeded supply. Although schools have welcomed the extensive range and variety of food and farming materials, teachers continue to make valuable suggestions for the growing wish-list of goodies they need.

This Autumn, loans are extending into the high schools. Key Stage 3 & 4 teachers, from several Norfolk schools, provided valuable feedback about their curriculum resourcing needs. Gradually now, materials are being sourced with the result that departmental loans will soon be available for Geography, Biology, Food Technology and Citizenship. We are particularly grateful to The Exchange and for the continued support from the RNAA in providing the funding for this project.

Enthusiasm for chick hatching has swept through many of our Norfolk Schools. Our five sets of small egg incubators and chick brooders, kindly donated by Bernard Matthews, have brought nothing but delight and wonder. Twelve teachers bravely took on this new challenge last term in very different schools. Not only did their own pupils reap from the valuable learning experience, but as one teacher put it '.... it seemed the whole activity became the focus of the entire school and even wider community of parents, grandparents, dinner ladies and even the lollipop man!'

I certainly was amused to find that each teacher in charge, seemed to have slipped into a certain 'broody' role themselves!

For further information or to book resources, please contact Marilyn Farnham-Smith, 01603 471990 (email: marilynfs@cwcom.net) Marilyn Farnham-Smith NFEL Co-ordinator

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