

In The Loop

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It's time to grab your stickers, bookmarks and phonics charts and head back to school. Your commitment to children in Norfolk is vitally important. "Sadly it's not an opportunity that all our pupils get at home to have one to one time with an adult to read and discuss their book. It is hugely important," commented Hannah Milton, Assistant Principal at Great Yarmouth Primary Academy.

Coffee Morning and Dyslexia Talk

Dyslexia expert Zoe Brown has kindly agreed to come and talk to us again at the Vernon Castle Room in The Forum's Millennium Library, Norwich, on 21st October at 10.30. We were over-subscribed for her last visit as dyslexia is a subject that interests many of our volunteers. Please book your place early by writing to <u>info@thenorfolkreadingproject.co.uk</u> Zoe's talk will be followed by coffee and cake and a chance to top up with stickers and book marks.

Flying the Flag at Aylsham Show

Our first foray as an exhibitor at The Aylsham Agricultural Show gave us a great opportunity to tell our story and recruit new reading support volunteers.

We shared a marquee with Aylsham Care Trust (ACT) and Mind. Outside the marquee our new teardrop banner was displayed for maximum exposure.

To attract attention we staged a free competition to win a £50 voucher from Jarrold. Contestants had to guess how many e's and E's were on a colourful board. Thirty-nine people entered but only one posted the correct answer - Helen Middleton of Old Catton – congratulations!

Volunteers, sporting colourful new TNRP polo shirts, with a QR code on the sleeve, manned the stand throughout the day. They were Lynn Brooks, Anne Williams, Pauline Hathaway, Lesley Penniket and Alison Gilmour. Special mention to Lynn who helped set up the stand, which she described as "fun and a steep learning curve."

Anne and Rita Bleasdale represented TNRP at the parade in the main ring, following old tractors, new sugar beet harvesters and stroppy bulls. TNRP remains indebted to The Aylsham Agricultural Show for its continued, generous support of our work.



Vivienne Cook, left, cattle wrangler and reading volunteer with Rita Bleasdale at Aylsham Show.

Help Us Spread The Word

Great Yarmouth volunteer, Pauline Hathaway, suggested putting an article about TNRP in the Somerton News and this duly appeared in the Autumn Issue – thanks Pauline. If you know of a similar publication such as village newsletters etc drop us a line at

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and we'll do the rest.