



Wensum Junior School - An Evolution Academy Trust School

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Dear families

Wensum Junior School is seeking family stories and citizen researchers for our new project!

As you know, this term we are *Working as Historians*. We are working with local theatre company The Common Lot to find out more about the history behind the songs from their award-winning 2017 show 'Come Yew In!' Through songs and sketches, 'Come Yew In!' told the incredible story of all the communities, cultures, groups and people from around the world who have made Norwich their home over the past 900 years. We will be using the songs from the show as the starting point for our historical research.

In the summer term we will be working with The Common Lot to write **our own version of 'Come Yew In!'** and for this we need help. We want to make sure that *our* version is firmly rooted in our local community by using stories of migration, community and settlement from our families. Firstly we need to collect the stories. These stories will then be turned into song lyrics and then set to music. We will be performing these songs at the end of the summer term. To bring this ambitious project to life **we need your help:**

Stories

Firstly we need stories to write songs about. Your stories will be our inspiration. Has your family settled in Norwich from another country? If so, would you be prepared to come and share your story with us? No story too small! Parents, grandparents, great grandparents. We'd love to talk to you all and find out more.

Citizen Researchers

We need family members who would be prepared to work alongside our children to carry out background research into the stories, check details and dates, and make links to other stories, events, families. This would be a voluntary role and if you were interested then we'd fit in around your other commitments. We're very flexible.

We are holding a Question and Answer session after school on **Monday 28th January, 3.15pm - 4pm**. If you are interested in being part of the project - either through sharing stories, being a researcher, or both - then please come along and find out more. Please complete the reply slip overleaf so we have an indication of numbers. Refreshments will be served.

Yours sincerely

Peter Hubery



Reply slip Q&A session for 'Come Yew In!' Monday 28th January 2019, 3.15pm - 4.00pm

I will be attending the meeting.

Name:.....

Contact number:.....

