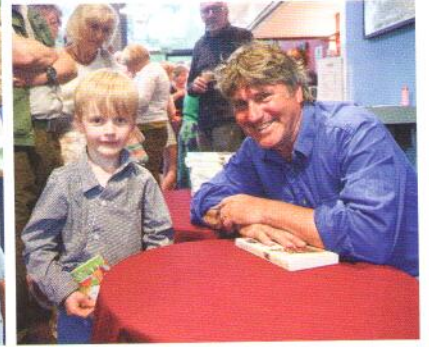


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Flying high after event

Hundreds of visitors attended Gresham's annual Norfolk Festival of Nature with its new, family friendly line-up.

BBC presenters Martin Hughes-Games and Iolo Williams got the Festival under way, entertaining a packed theatre with their Wildlife Road Trip. The nature-loving duo teamed up for an amusing and informative show. Martin (recently seen in BBC's Springwatch) signed copies of his book *A Wild Life: My Adventures Around the World Filming Wildlife* and both presenters chatted with the audience after the show.

Iolo hosted a prize winning ceremony, congratulating the

winners of the Festival of Nature at Gresham's photography and poetry competitions. The winner of the poetry competition, 11-year-old Tilly Butterworth received a book donated by Holt Bookshop.

Winners of the photography competition, Under 11 Zac Dyer, 12-16, Tanya Osborne, adult David North received their winning image from Iolo presented in a frame donated by Rodney Smith of Photographers' Gallery Holt.

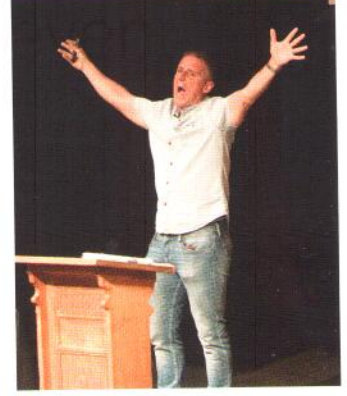
The weekend continued with free events including a nature trail led by naturalist Dr David Horsley.

Gresham's Sixth Form pupil George Giles-Loane gave a



reading of Julia Donaldson's *Stick Man*. After collecting sticks from the woodlands, the children created their own versions.

The festival ended with Fens Falconry's Father's Day Special. Almost 200 people enjoyed an informative talk from Mike Willis



and a flying display.

Norfolk Festival of Nature at Gresham's coordinator, Tom Howland, said: "It has been a hugely successful weekend and I am delighted that many visitors came to share with us our celebration of Norfolk's wonderful wildlife."