A SALUTE TO SUCCESS

Following the success of last month’s 1940s weekend, Holt’s ‘Salute the Forties’ Committee was proud to present its supported charity, Walking With the Wounded, with a cheque for £763.39 on the 19th October. Attendees at the ceremony included the Headmaster of Gresham’s School, Douglas Robb and Lindsay Furniss of the ‘Salute the Forties’ Committee, together with the Walking With The Wounded team. Of the total amount, contributions included £207.18 raised through a host of fundraising activities, including the provision of teas and cakes. From collection tins situated throughout Holt and its businesses, £230.76 was also donated.

During the weekend, Gresham’s School provided free parking with the assistance of the 1st Holt Scouts. Those parking their vehicles were also given a helping hand (or paw) by none other than Benson the dog who became an honorary Scout member for the event. The total raised at the school through its parking donations totalled £323.45.

Since it was established in 2010, Walking With The Wounded’s mission has been to fund the re-training and re-education of Armed Forces veterans injured in the line of duty. This year, their expedition has been to walk the length and the breadth of mainland Britain, seeing four injured British and two US veterans walking 1,000 miles in the process, raising money for the charity. As part of the Norfolk leg of this challenge, the charity also had the privilege of welcoming Prince Harry, the expedition Patron, as one of the walkers. With 2015 being the first year of Holt’s 1940s celebrations, the Committee would like to raise a salute to all those involved, and looks forward to further success and celebration at next year’s event, scheduled for 17-18 September 2016.

For further photos and information about Holt’s ‘Salute the Forties’ weekend, visit: www.fortiesweekend.com