

International ‘Gold Medal’ for The Edward Richardson Primary School in Tetford

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The Edward Richardson Primary School in Tetford has been awarded the British Council’s prestigious International School Award for a fourth consecutive time in recognition of its work to bring the world into the classroom.

The International School Award is a badge of honour for schools that do outstanding work in international education, such as through links with partner schools overseas. Fostering an international dimension in the curriculum is at the heart of the British Council’s work with schools, so that young people gain the cultural understanding and skills they need to live and work as global citizens.

At Tetford School this has included collecting over 200 e-mails with recipes from over seventy countries and producing a live performance of a song, jointly written with Calibre Academy (their partner school in Chennai), using video conferencing which featured on BBC Look North.

John Rolfe from the British Council, said: “Many congratulations on your well deserved success in being accredited with the British Council International School Award. The school’s fantastic international work is not only giving the young people a better understanding of the world around them, but it’s really making a difference to their future prospects too. Everything the school is doing is vital preparation for life in a global society. This year has been a big year for the UK on the world’s stage, and Tetford school deserves a gold medal of its own for all its outstanding commitment to a range of fantastic international work”

On hearing the news that The Edward Richardson Primary School had received the Award for a fourth time Andrew Hyde (Headteacher and International Coordinator) said:

‘We are all very proud and pleased to have reached this milestone of recognition. There are over 22,000 primary schools in the UK and only 33 have received the Full ISA on four occasions. It is an exciting and ongoing part of what we do and we are all now thinking about our fifth award in 2015!’