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PRESS RELEASE

School Wins Award!

Year 5 and 6 pupils at Waterbeach Community Primary School have won the

Cambridgeshire Young Persons History Award presented by the *Cambridgeshire Local History Association* for their project:

“CONFLICT & COMMUNITY:

**The lasting legacy of
Waterbeach RAF Station & Barracks”**
Led by **The Farmland Museum & Denny Abbey**

In partnership with **Waterbeach Barracks Museum**



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Following a successful Big Lottery funding bid made by the Farmland Museum co-ordinated by Elly Wright and Oliver Merrington, ninety Year 5 and 6 pupils at Waterbeach Primary School have written and designed an exhibition based on the experiences they have had during this project. They visited the Waterbeach Barracks (the former airfield) and the two museums, interviewed soldiers and airmen both former and current; worked with artist Ann Biggs to produce commemorative artworks; worked with a museum professional Gilly Vose to design the exhibition; and much more in between. A documentary film about this project has also been created by students from Cottenham Village College working with a local filmmaker, Peter Harmer.

The exhibition is currently on display at the Waterbeach Barracks Museum, following its launch in December 2009 at the primary school. The museum is open from April to September by appointment only, on application to the Guardroom (01223 204421).

The Cambridgeshire Young Persons History Awards were introduced by The Cambridgeshire Association for Local History in an attempt to encourage and support the study of all aspects of the Eastern Region's archaeology and history by its young people. The Awards were first presented in 2007. For more information go to www.calh.org.uk/awards1.htm

The Farmland Museum & Denny Abbey is open every day from 1st April - 31st October, weekdays 12-5pm, weekends and bank holidays 10.30am-5pm. It is situated on the A10 between Cambridge and Ely. Admission prices are Adults £4, Concessions £3, Children £2 (under 5s are free), Family Ticket £10, with reduced admission to the Farmland Museum for English Heritage members.

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