

# **News Sheet**

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No.27 Summer Term



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## Another Fantastic Week - 'Growing Together'

### Starfish Preschool

What an amazing start to the Summer Term! Starfish have come back ready for the last term of the year.

We have made the most of the sunshine and spent lots of time outside. The children have especially enjoyed being in the sandpit, using the diggers and tractors to make tracks in the sand and the spades and scoops to move the sand from one bucket to another.





Starfish have also begun our new topic for this half term which is animals. We have been looking at dinosaurs this week, talking about when dinosaurs were around, what they looked like and what they ate. The children have enjoyed looking at different stories and playing with the

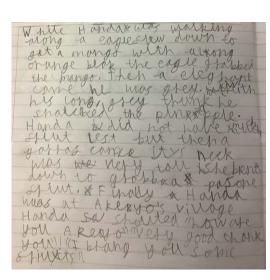
dinosaurs. making them roar!

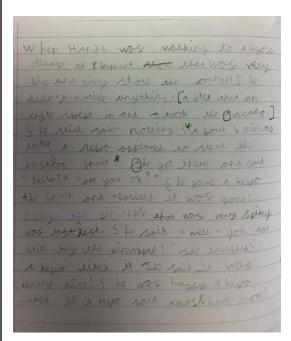
For Phonics, we have been recapping all the Monster Phonic characters, reminding ourselves of their names and what sound they make. The children have been brilliant at remembering all the characters and reminding their friends if they have forgotten. Well done Starfish for a super first week back!



### Seahorse Class

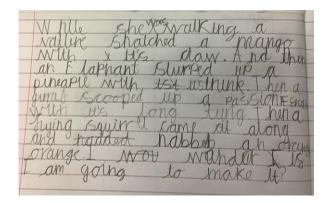
What a lovely first week back! Seahorses have started their new book 'Handa's Surprise' in English. Whilst year 1 and 2 have been writing the story reception have been acting it out and working collaboratively to write captions for parts of the story. We have learnt a little bit about our new topic Africa and have introduced our topic question 'How do we care for and show our love for the places we live in?' KS1 have been learning about some African landmarks both human and physical. Meanwhile reception have been comparing where they live to different places in Africa.





In maths year 1 and 2 have been learning to tell the time so any support that can be given on this at home would be great. Year 1 are learning to tell the time at o'clock and half past whilst year 2 are learning o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to.

the class were on the school field playing maths



### **Dolphin Class**

Dolphins have had a very busy first week back at school after the Easter break. We started the week being introduced to our new topic of *Navigating Norfolk*, where we will be aiming to answer the question 'Is water our most valuable resource?'

On Tuesday, the majority of the class had Bikeability. These children had a great time learning how to ride their bikes in a safe manner. While this was happening the rest of



games and finding patterns in nature. We were able to find lots of interesting patterns, with my favourite being a bird poo pattern some of the



children spotted.

In science, we have been investigating the different States of Matter, testing to see what materials are solids, liquids and gases, as well as experimenting to see how we can change their states using heating and freezing.

In English, we have been writing our narrative based on the Disney short film The Blue Umbrella. The children completed their short write on Thursday, creating a conversation between the Blue and Red umbrellas.

In Maths, the class has moved away from fractions and our new focus is on decimals. We have been working very hard and this has shown in their understanding levels and work being produced.

### **Shark Class**

It's been a jam-packed first week of the Summer term in Sharks class. We have been writing narratives based on the Pixar short film 'The Blue Umbrella' with a focus on setting description and exciting verbs - We've had some very interesting umbrella designs included! In topic, we have been researching The Norfolk Broads and comparing it to another National Park up in the Lake District. Though there are many similarities between the two, we've discovered that there are even more differences! Year 5s have made fabulous presentations packed with information and Year 6 have written brilliant reports highlighting the wonders of both locations.

In maths, we've started looking at coordinates and translation - Moving points and shapes around the different quadrants. Though we initially found this challenging, we've grown in confidence and can now accurately describe these changes.

# Mental Wellbeing

The QR code below contains lots of information and support for parents around mental health. Why not check it out?



### Scan the QR code above

#### Coronation

To celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III we will be inviting children to take part in a design and make a crown competition. All children in school will be given a strip of card which they can bring home to design and decorate as a crown. Completed crowns should be brought back into school for Friday 5th May for a crown parade. One winning crown will be chosen per year group with these winners rewarded by sitting at the 'ROYAL' table for lunch. Good luck and get making.





### Use of the field

Can you please send in a pair of wellies or old trainers for your child so we can go on the field even when it is a bit muddy. Ideally they will be named to avoid any mix ups. Please be aware that the field is currently wet and muddy and children without a change of footwear will be limited to using the playground.

# Attendance/Safeguarding

Attendance target set by the government = 96.1%

Current updated Bacton Primary School attendance this year to date 94.77%

# Come on Bacton!

The class with the highest attendance this week was Sharks with 96.3% Well Done Sharks Class

Following our recent 'Keeping children safe online and pupil mobile phones' letter we promised updates to support parents and carers with information about Apps your child may be accessing on their devices. This week's poster focuses on Reddit which is intended for users aged 13+ because of the content that could be shared. .



### Reminders

# School Lunches Please check the school website for the Spring/Summer Menu



### PE Days

On the day your child has PE please ensure they come to school wearing their PE kit. If they are taking part in sports club and it is not their PE day they should come to school in their uniform and bring kit to change into.

Seahorse Class - Years R, 1 and 2	<u>Monday</u> /Thursday
Dolphin and Shark Class - Years 3, 5 and 6	Thursday
Sharks Year 5 - Swimming	Thursday - Come to school in uniform with swimming kit please

	Dates for the Diary										
Date	Time	Event									
24/04/2023	9:00-12:15	Year 4 Orienteering at Gresham's Village School									
27/04/2023	1:00-3:00	Year 5 Swimming - Victory Leisure Centre									
01/05/2023	All Day	School Closed - Bank Holiday									
04/05/2023	1:00-3:00	Year 5 Swimming - Victory Leisure Centre									
05/05/2023	am	Crown designs paraded during assembly and judged. Winners eat lunch at the royal									
08/05/2023	All Day	School Closed - King Charles Coronation Bank Holiday Monday									
09/05/2023 - 12/052023	8:00-9:45	Year 6 Breakfast club open all week - free to attend. Opportunity for some last minute revision									
09/05/2023	9:00-12:00	Year 6 SATs tests - English Punctuation, Spelling and Grammar paper									
10/05/2023	9:00-12:00	Year 6 SATs tests - English Reading paper									
11/05/2023	9:00-12:00	Year 6 SATs tests - Maths arithmetic paper and Reasoning paper 1									
11/05/2023	1:00-3:00	Year 5 Swimming - Victory Leisure Centre									
12/05/2023	9:00-12:00	Year 6 SATs tests - Maths arithmetic paper Reasoning paper 2									
18/05/2023	1:00-3:00	Year 5 Swimming - Victory Leisure Centre									
25/05/2023	7:25am	Year 5 overnight visit to Bruce Grove Primary - Tottenham depart									
26/05/2023	4:45pm	Year 5 overnight visit to Bruce Grove Primary - Tottenham return									
09/06/2023	All Day	Non-school uniform day - Please bring a bottle to support the PTFA summer fair									

16/06/2023	7:00pm-9:00pm	Quiz and chip evening - Adult only quiz team PTFA fundraiser
23/06/2023	All Day	Non-school uniform day - Please bring sweets to support the PTFA summer fair
28 & 29/06/2023	All Day	Years 5 and 6 Bikeability training for those already booked.
08/07/2023	12:00-3:00	PTFA summer fair
17/07/2023- 21/07/2023	All Day	Year 6 residential visit to the Isle of Wight

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All in-term holiday requests will be classed as unauthorised absences. This will likely result in a fixed penalty notice being issued from Norfolk County Council.

In Norfolk, penalty notices are issued in accordance with the Norfolk Local Protocol. In all cases a penalty notice can only be issued if the pupil has accrued at least 9 sessions (4.5 school days) of unauthorised absence within the previous 6 school weeks. This would result in a fine of £60 per child per parent ie; for a family with 2 children this would total £240

The link below has more information about fixed penalty notices.

**Fixed Penalty Notices** 



#### Uniform

Order directly through Birds of Dereham (any time)

https://www.birdsofdereham.com/

Place your order on the School Money System.

### Order Through School - Dates 2022/23:

Order cut off 4 - Friday 9 June 2023 for delivery in July 2023

#### **Prices & Order Date information**

Supplier	Sweatshirt	Cardigan	Fleece Jacket	Book bag	Delivery charge
Birds of Dereham direct order prices	£10.50	£11.00	£15.00	£7.00	£5.50
Order through school (10% discount)	£9.45	£9.90	£13.50	£6.30	Free

If you have any queries please contact your child's School Office

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