

# **News Sheet**

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# Another Fantastic Week - 'Growing Together'

## Starfish Preschool

Starfish have had a super busy week.

We have spent lots of time in our outside area, building sandcastles and making tracks in the sand, practising our football skills and drawing on the whiteboards in the shed. Even the rain hasn't stopped us from being outside! The children have told us that we need coats

on with our hoods up when it rains.





Starfish have continued their topic learning and this week we have been looking at Zoo Animals. The children have been telling us about their visits to the zoo, what animals they saw and which one was their favourite. We then practised being those animals, moving around the classrooms and making different animal sounds. The children were brilliant at thinking about how different animals moved!

In English, we have now looked back at all the Monster Phonic characters and learnt their names and what sounds they make. In the tuff tray, the children then had to find all the Monsters hidden in the sand and tell the adult which Monster they had found.



## Seahorse Class

We have had a lovely time in Seahorses this week finishing Handa's Surprise. Everyone has written their own version of the story. Reception worked hard to create their own stories and make them into books. It's been great to see them challenge themselves with some of the words they have been writing and to do this they have used their phonics.

On Wednesday we sat down and created a venn diagram showing the differences and similarities between the UK and



Kenya and then London to Nairobi. We found some things were different such as the animals we might see but that some things were also very similar.

We have finished our learning in class on time but please feel free to keep practising it at home.



# **Dolphin Class**

This week in Dolphins we have been learning all about the water cycle, with children fascinated to learn that the water we drink today is the same water that dinosaurs drank thousands of years ago. Within our learning we have made 3D models of the water cycle in bags and observed as the water has evaporated and condensed on



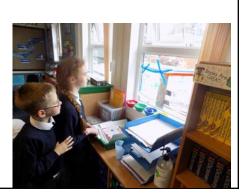
the windows of the classroom, which was very

exciting to watch. We then made a poster in our books explaining all the different parts water travels in during the cycle. It has been great to see how interested every child has been learning about this topic and I am sure parents have heard all about it.

In English, we have carried on with The Blue Umbrella (a romantic story about a blue umbrella and a red umbrella),

producing a Big Write on Friday where we finished the story.

In maths, we have continued our work with decimals. We have moved onto understanding how to write and position hundredths on a place value chart. All children using a range of resources to help in their understanding of decimals which can be a very confusing subject.



## **Shark Class**

Sharks have been extremely busy this week with lots of new learning, revising and preparation for SATs in two weeks time. All of the children have finished their wonderful stories about the Blue Umbrella (including more than a few very cringey compliments from Blue to Red!). We have also looked at the Water Cycle and how it relates directly to the creation and maintenance of the Norfolk Broads. This lead to Year 5s researching Peat and modern energy production, including the creation of non-chronological reports on the future of energy and the successes/challenges we face in producing energy moving forwards. In Maths, we've discovered a surprisingly easy way of calculating percentages of amounts and spent the week ensuring we are all confident in our arithmetic abilities. I'm very proud of how well Sharks are rising to the challenge and can't wait to see how they do.

# 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 have been 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 94.75%

# Come on Bacton!

The class with the highest attendance this week was Dolphins with 99.44%

Well Done Dolphins 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 the popular game FIFA. - Please see the next page.



You don't need to be the biggest football fan in the world to have heard of FFA (Fédération internationale de Football Association)—
the governing body for football. And, the video game series bearing the organisation's name is to need of the most successful ever. The lure of this football series is that official licensing gives your child the opportunity to play games in the role of their favourite players. They can either work through a story mode version of the game or play online in competitions against other players. The game, released annually by Electronic Arts under the EA Sports label, is available for a range of consoles, and there are also mobile versions available for smartphones and tablets. The most recent version is FIFA 18, but FIFA 19 is due for release later in the year.





# What parents need to know about

#### CONSTANT SERIES REFRESHES

The big selling point for the FIFA range of games is that it FIFA includes current players; a feature which no other football video game offers. However, this means that a new version of the game is released every year, with updated teams, players and stadia, plus new gameplay features and tweaks. And, with every annual update of the game, there is an expectation that it will be far better than the previous one, so the pressure to upgrade and buy the new version is likely to be immense!



While the FIFA video game is suitable for children of all ages as it does not include any inappropriate content, there is the issue of in-game chat. Your child can play with other people online and chat with them using headrest. At this is largely unregulated, it could mean that your child is exposed to language or conversations that you deem unsuitable.

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four child may receive an email or see a message on ocial media or in forums which appear to be a genuine IFA promotion. While the link may seem like a FIFA ogin page, it's a phishing scam to capture a login name ind password. Scammers may use names that sound egitimate, like 'EA Admin' or 'FIFA Developer.'

#### RIVING ADDIDING

In-game purchases are to be expected in any modern game and FIFA is no different. FIFA Ultimate Team (commonly called FUT) is a mode in FIFA that lets games build teams of players from any league, playing both offline and online to win coins. These can be used to buy better players or packs containing random players. While some purchases can be made using in-game currency, other purchases involve spending with real world money, which could become expensive. There have been reports of parents receiving large credit card bills resulting from in-game purchase made by their children.

### JUST ONE MORE GAME

Your child could be playing FIFA games on their computer or console for very long periods of time. That's not to say that computer-based matches are a full 90 minutes long, but a series of 20-minute matches can very quickly fill up a day The World Health Organisation has classified gaming disorder as a mental health problem this is when children have trouble controlling their gaming behaviour and let it reign over their lives and daily routine.

#### ETER GAMEPLAY

The FIFA series has been criticised for the competitive nature of gampalpy leading to aggression in some players. Add to this the chance to converse with other players via in-game chat, and the potential for anger levels is likely to rise... especially if you've losing heavily!



# National Online Safety

# Top Tips Parents

## CONSTANT SERIES REFRESHES / WHAT TO DO?

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As a parent, the implications of this really depends on the age of your child and your relationship with them. It may be that playing and sharing games is part of your family life and so this isn't a problem, but just be mindful that being involved with the FIFA franchise is unlikely to be a one-off event - it's the start of a gaming journey that could last for many, many years and involve numerous (potentially expensive) upgrades.

#### N GOME CHOT

It's unlikely that you'll be able to convince your child to play FIFA without making use of the chat facility - it's something that adds to the experience. However, you should ensure your child is aware of how to silence any abusive players and how to report anyone who becomes problematic.





#### FAKE EMAILS, SCAMS AND COPYCAT WEBSITES

You should teach your children to stay clear of scams. Explain to them that they must be wary of any link which asks them to either verify their username and password or provide other sensitive information; game developers will never send a message asking for login information. Console messages, emails and websites, or social media posts promoting contests for in-game content, such as packs, players, or coins requiring legis information as fake.

#### BUYING ADD ONS

To spend real money in FIFA, a credit or debit card must be linked to a gaming account, so ensure that your card is not being used for this! There's also support for PayPal payment, so also check who has access to this type of account. Depending on the platform your child is using to play FIFA, there are different parental controls that can be put in place to restrict spending should you allow them to link a card to their account. There is also a payment option called Paysafecard, which allows you to make payments online without the use of a bank account or credit card. As you can top up balances, this makes it easy to control spending.

#### JUST ONE MORE GAME

The parental controls on consoles can be used to restrict the amount of time spent playing. Physically monitoring how much time your child is spending in FIFA is recommended - just as you might monitor how much time they spend watching TV. Keep an eye out for warning signs, such as a lack of interest in other activities, tiredness or fatigue, neglect of personal phygiene, changes in character or anger issues when your child is told to stop playing a game.

#### FIFA GAMEPLAY

Monitoring in-game chat may be difficult as you're likely to only be able to hear one side of a conversation. However, noticing how your child is reacting may be a reasonable indicator of the general mood. Dealing with both the frustrations of a game as well as troublesome people can serve as useful life lessons, but as a parent, you know your child better than anyone else. If you notice your child is getting too upset or angry, that's the time to intervene and try to encourage them to take a break from the game.

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# 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							
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 table							
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							
15/05/23-19/05/23	9:00-12:00	Year 2 SATs tests							
18/05/2023	1:00-3:00	Year 5 Swimming - Victory Leisure Centre							
24/05/2023	1:15-2:15	Year 6 Leavers Photos - Tempest Photography							
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							
29/05/2023	All Day	School Closed - Bank Holiday							

14/06/23-15/06/23	am	Year 1 Phonic screening check
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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# Could you inspire the next generation of cyclist?

We are searching for Cycle Instructors to join our expanding Bikeability team.



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