News Sheet

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Starfish Preschool

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Coastal Together

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Another Fantastic Week - 'Growing Together'

Starfish Preschool



Starfish have had a bear themed week for the first week of this half term, with a focus on the story 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen. Whilst listening to the story, the children have loved acting it out and using their imagination to pretend they are going through each setting in the book. We have pretended to swim across the river, watch out for fallen branches in the forest and battle the cold in the snowstorm.



Alongside this, we have had lots of bear themed activities for the children, including 'Mr Bear's Postbox' where the children have been thinking about the colours and shapes of the letters and who they might be for. We have talked about why we might write a letter and who we might write it to.



In phonics, Starfish have begun to look at the 's' and 'a' sounds, using the Monster Phonic characters to help. The children have watched videos and played games to help recognise the letters and remember what sounds they make. The children have also been practising their counting and number recognition skills. In the outside area, the children have been using their number knowledge to take turns on the slide and share the resources in the sandpit.

On the Map Project Week - Seahorse, Dolphin and Shark Classes

We have had such an amazing week completing our 'On the map' project. We started off with an assembly introducing it and our focus on apples. We talked about why we had picked apples and had the suggestion that it was because our school logo is a tree. In part it is but we have also been told that several hundred years ago an orchard for the priory was on what is now the school grounds. How true this is we can not confirm but if you have any information to support this, it would be great to hear from you! Each class has worked really hard this week and it has been great to see what they have all managed to do. It was especially lovely to see so many parents turn up to buy our apple muffins, apple sausage rolls and apple tart.

In Seahorse class this week our first job once having eaten our apples was to plant the seeds. We then needed to make our invitations for adults to come to buy the food we were making later in the week. To do this we first looked at invitations and worked out what we needed to include. We then made our own invitations which were then handed out to go home. Throughout the week we have been busy with creating apple art based on the work of Kadinsky and Warhol. We have been drawing, printing, cutting and creating wax resistant artwork.

In Dolphins, we started the week by eating a delicious apple, pulling out the 5 seeds (all apples have 5 seeds as the flower has 5 petals on it) and planting them. Next we designed and created collage artworks inspired by the apples we had eaten. There were lots of creative ideas including apples, bowls of fruit, apple trees, toffee apples and more. On Tuesday, we were tasked with calculating how many ingredients were needed for our delicious muffin, sausage rolls and apple tarts and gave the shopping list to Seahorses ready for them to go shopping. On Wednesday we had an amazing time visiting Cavell Orchard in Swardeston, where children were able to investigate an orchard, learning about apples, the different trees and the animals and insects that help keep the trees healthy. We then learnt how apple juice was made and then were able to taste a range of different apple juices and honey, before receiving our beeswax candle and heading home.

The Sharks have had a very busy week, it feels like there has been something new happening every day! We began our week with everyone else in a launch assembly, but before we could enjoy trying our apples, we spent some time creating accurate sketches of them. We then repeated this after taking a bite so that we could capture how the shapes change. We used our sketches to help us model the shapes we would need to create using tinfoil in order to begin our Apple Statues. Once this was finished (and all of the apples eaten and seeds collected) we covered the foil in several layers of mod-roc to build up some structure and add the details. We are hoping to sand, paint and polish these up early next week as they have been taking a very long time to dry between stages! On top of all of the Apple-y goodness, we've had a visit from Premier Sport helping us with our life-skills and maths and then some of us have spent Friday Afternoon at the care-home sharing stories with the elderly. All in all, a good week all round!






















Mental Wellbeing

The first part of June is all about gardening, we have had National Children's Gardening week and are currently in National Growing week for Wellbeing and Garden Wildlife week. Not that Mrs Winchester, Mrs Isbell and the children need an excuse, they have been enjoying playing/working in the garden. Bacton Bee & Bee is officially open and has seen its first bumble bee. The construction site has been a busy working site, with many children from Seahorses roleplaying. We have planted carrots, tomatoes and cucumbers in one of the flower beds.





The strawberries are looking great, not quite ready to nibble, but we have special stones to stop the birds from getting there first. The greenhouse has many new shoots sprouting in their pots, we are looking forward to planting those.











Your Ideas Wanted…… Please!

The PTFA are keen to explore ideas for improving the boat area next to the buggy shelter at the front of the school. They have put an ideas box in the airlock and would really like your suggestions for developing/improving this area. You could sketch these out if you are feeling particularly artistic or pop your ideas on paper and post in the ideas box, or if you have any fundraising suggestions or events you'd like the PTFA to organise and get involved in.



Attendance/Safeguarding

Attendance target set by the government = 96.1%

Current updated Bacton Primary School attendance this year to date 94.89%

Seahorse class attendance 90.17%

Dolphin class attendance 99.44%

Shark class attendance 91.36%

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

Well Done Dolphin Class

September 2023

You may remember that back in the autumn term we consulted on changes to the start and end time of the school day inline with the government white paper. From September 2023 our start and end of day time will be changing - see below

Start	8.35-8.45 drop-off (8.45 the doors close)
Finish	3.15 pickup

Reminders

School Lunches
Please check the school website for the Spring/Summer Menu
There has been some waste lately, please ensure that you order a meal that your child will eat.

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.

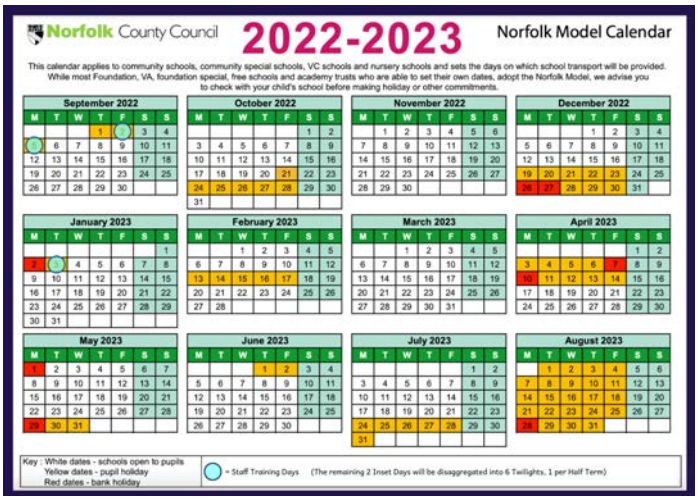
Seahorse Class - Years R, 1 and 2	**Monday/Thursday**
Dolphin and Shark Class - Years 3, 5 and 6	**Thursday**
Sharks Year 5 - Swimming	**Thursday - Come to school in uniform with swimming kit please**

Dates for the Diary

Date	Time	Event
14/06/23-15/06/23	am	Year 1 Phonic screening check
15/06/2023	1:00-3:00	Year 6 swimming - Victory Leisure Centre North Walsham
16/06/2023	7:00pm-9:00pm	Quiz and chip evening - Adult only quiz team PTFA fundraiser
19:06/2023	4:00-4:30	Year 6 Isle of Wight parent Meeting
22/06/2023	1:00-3:00	Year 6 swimming - Victory Leisure Centre North Walsham
22/06/2023	3:15-3:45	New Reception Parent and carer intake meeting
23/06/2023	All Day	Non-school uniform day - Please bring sweets to support the PTFA summer fair
26/06/2023	12:00-1:00	New Reception children lunch and play session
28 & 29/06/2023	All Day	Years 5 and 6 Bikeability training for those already booked.
29/06/2023	1:00-3:00	Year 6 swimming - Victory Leisure Centre North Walsham
30/06/2023	1:30-2:30	New reception Stay and Play sessions
05/07/2023	12:00-1:00	New Reception children lunch and play session
06/07/2023	1:00-3:00	Year 6 swimming - Victory Leisure Centre North Walsham
06/07/2023	2:00-3:00	Sports Day - parents and carers welcome to join us
08/07/2023	12:00-3:00	PTFA summer fair
10/07/2023	1:30-2:30	New reception Stay and Play sessions
11/07/2023	4:30-5:30	Disco - letter to follow
12/07/2023	9:00-12:00	Whole school move up morning including new Reception children in

13/07/2023	1:00-3:00	Year 6 swimming - Victory Leisure Centre North Walsham
13/07/2023	2:00-3:00	Sports Day - Wet weather alternative date
17/07/2023-21/07/2023	All Day	Year 6 residential visit to the Isle of Wight
21/07/2023	3:10	Break up for Summer Holidays
06/09/2023	8:35 (doors close 8.45)	School Reopens for the new academic year - New start of day time (New end of day time 3:15)
07/09/2023	8:45	New Reception children first day of school

Term Dates





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

QUIZ NIGHT

QUIZ & CHIPS

BACTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

16TH JUNE 2023

7PM START

£5 PER PERSON

MAX 6 PER TEAM

BRING YOUR OWN REFRESHMENTS

PLEASE BOOK A TABLE

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