News Sheet

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Another Fantastic Week - 'Growing Together'

Starfish Preschool



Starfish have been feeling the love this week as we have spent it looking at Valentine's Day.
At the beginning of the week, the children made a Valentine's card for someone special. The children used the collaging box to choose different materials and then used scissors and glue to cut and stick these pieces to the front of their card. We talked about what shapes and colours they were using and why they wanted to give the card to their chosen person. We then talked about what Valentine's day is and why it is celebrated, talking about how we can show kindness and care for the people we love.



On Monday afternoon, we made jam tarts. The children rolled out the pastry and cut circles out. They then carefully spooned some jam onto the top of the pastry before an adult put them in the oven. They didn't quite go to plan and became more like jammy biscuits but they were still tasty and we talked about what we need to do next time to make them look more like tarts.
In Phonics, we have now met all the Monster Phonic characters. In the last couple of weeks we have listened to the rest of the Monsters stories and have met Tricky Witch, the Black Cats and the Silent Ghosts. The children have loved finding more out about the different characters and using the toys in their play.

Seahorse class



This week in PE we have been using all the balancing, jumping and rolling skills we have learnt in PE this half term. We got the apparatus out and had fun balancing along the benches and jumping off of the PE tables. Next term, we will be moving on to ball skills and looking at netball.









In English, year 1 and 2 we have finished 'Diary of a Wombat' by writing our own recounts of what we have done this week. We then realised how much we have all done this week, going out for food, having pancakes, playing games and after school clubs. In maths we have been busy using our two times tables and solving problems. We have also been seeing how multiplication is commutative which means we can write it as 2 x 3 or 3 x 2 but we still get the same answer.

Meanwhile, in reception we have been watching the short video Spider! We have thought about how Spider can get out of the bath and any other animals he might meet whilst in the bath.

Dolphins

This week in Dolphins, we have been learning all about plants! At the start of the week we learnt what requirements plants need to grow.Then we learned of the different features of plants and we were curious about what each feature's job role was in the life of a plant. Finally we investigated water transportation within plants, and hypothesised what would happen to a plant if we added coloured dye to its water. We had a range of ideas, such as the plant turning black and dying, the plant turning the

colour of the dye and some thought nothing different would happen. We are going to conduct the experiment once we are back from half term.

In English, we have finished our unit on persuasive writing by writing an argument about pollution and the harm it is doing to the sea life in our oceans. The children have enjoyed this unit and they have all argued that the polluting of water needs to stop as the negatives far outweigh the positives.

Over in Maths, we have had a great week learning about the 3, 6 and 9 times tables. The class have been very impressive showing their knowledge on these times tables and in particular, the children impressed me with their knowledge on the 9 times table, being able to use their known multiplication facts to support their division workings.
The class have had a great half term with lots of effort and resilience put into our learning and have earned their week of rest.

Sharks

This week in Sharks, we have been extremely busy! Our Year 6s have undertaken their mock SATs this week and the results have been exceptional with lots of progress across as the board! Some children went as far as doubling their scores between November and now!

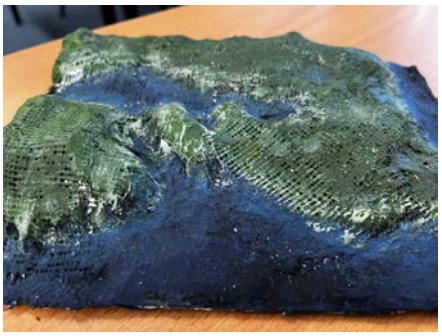
In English, we have prepared and written some balanced arguments where we debated the question 'Should children be allowed chocolate for breakfast?' - Surprisingly, the consensus was that they would rather have it as a treat than for breakfast every day! They were far more concerned with the plight of the rainforest and the 'bootiful' orangutans than their ability to eat nutella on toast which was lovely to see.

In topic, we have been finishing off our Mod-roc biomes and I am incredibly impressed. The detail and painting have been excellent and it has been wonderful watching their created realms come to life, as I am sure you will agree from the photos.

I hope they all have a well-deserved rest over half-term and come back bright and ready to keep learning!









Library

We have been really lucky to have the Norfolk Children's Book Centre in to revamp our school library. They have sorted, organised and labelled all our books as well as bringing in some new books for us to enjoy. They have also shared their rejuvenation of our library on their facebook page.


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Mental Wellbeing



We have continued on from Children's Mental Health Week by allowing the children to use their voice. The children completed our 'Three Beach Hut' document. This allows them to share what is making them feel happy, share any worries then they have a dream option, this gives children a voice to say how we could take their worries away. Previously, this has led to changes and introducing new strategies in school. It is important for us to allow the child's voice to be heard and allow them to see we have listened by actioning what they have said. The results are displayed for the children to see on their mental wellbeing board.

The weather last week put a stop to Schools' Football Week, but with the milder weather this week football could happen again.





Has your child signed up to read to Matty? Matty is a 3 year old dog who is very calm and friendly and, above all, loves listening to children read. He is fully trained and certificated by Canine Companions. For your child to take part, please complete the consent form here.



Hire Hub Club

It has been a great first half term for the Hire Hub with the scooters seeming to be a popular choice. If you are interested in borrowing something, please see Mrs Temple or Mrs Underwood who are outside at the end of the day. If they are not there and you would like to hire something please come in and someone can come and help you. We have had some great photos sent in by families of equipment being used that they have borrowed and would love to see more photos of the equipment being used.

Alongside the Hire Hub we have had sessions run by Premier Sport using the equipment. Mr Smith has awarded medals and certificates for the Star of Day for each session. These were handed out in assembly on Friday.





Online Safety

This week we are asking for support from home with online safety. After the half term break we will be looking at digital footprints. We have added the below poster on our Facebook page. Please can you share, like and comment on the Facebook post with where in the world you live. If you have friends and family around the world could you ask them to help? The further it spreads the more effect it will have.



Please click on the link to watch the Norfolk Constabulary Online Safety Webinar:
Recorded Online Safety webinar for parents and carers

Help with Living Costs this Winter

Winter 2023/24 Norfolk Assistance Scheme can help you get support and financial assistance for food, energy, water, and other household essentials including white goods. Click on the link for more details:
https://csapps.norfolk.gov.uk/csshared/ecourier2/fileoutput.asp?id=54504



Road Safety

It has been great to see so many children and parents walking to school where possible and even those arriving by car have been parking a short distance away at the Priory or the community centre and walking to school from there. During the week there will be a road safety assembly to remind the children how to cross the road safely and this will be linked with stranger danger and dark nights. Please help us with this by ensuring that parents and carers park legally, safely and sensibly. Thank you for helping us keep your child/children safe.



Child car seats: the law



Children must use a child car seat until they're 12 years old or 135 centimetres tall, whichever comes first.

https://www.gov.uk/child-car-seats-the-rules

Attendance

Attendance target set by the government = 96.1%

Current updated Bacton Primary School attendance this year to date 95.13%

Seahorse class attendance year to date 95.65%

Dolphin class attendance year to date 94.14%

Shark class attendance year to date 95.24%

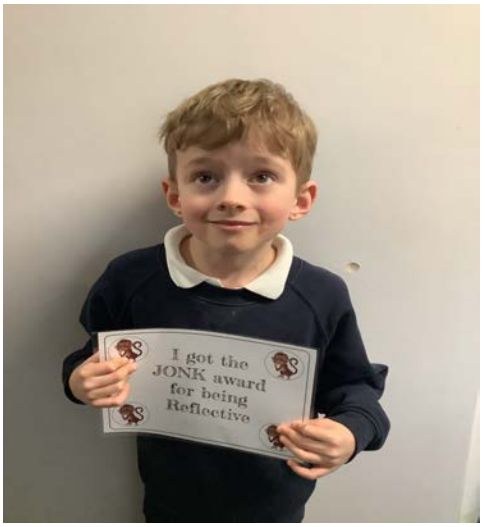
The class with the highest attendance this week was Seahorses with 97.27%

Well Done Seahorse Class

Celebrating and Sharing Our Successes

We will be sharing with parents and carers our JONK award winners for the week as part of our celebrating and sharing success.

Seahorse Class JONK Certificate this Week

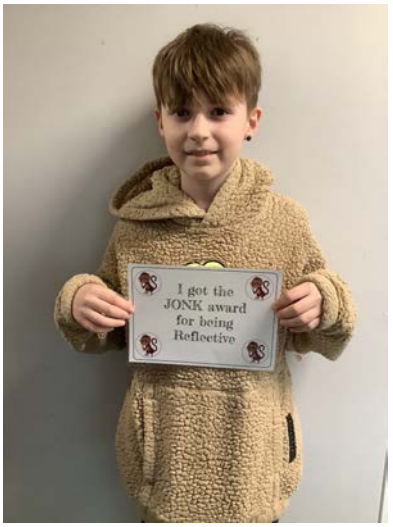


Dolphin Class JONK Certificate this Week





Shark Class JONK Certificate this Week







Reminders

School Lunches
Please check the school website for the Autumn/Winter 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.

PE Seahorse Class - Years R, 1 and 2	**Monday and Thursday**
Dolphin and Shark Classes - Years 3, 4,5 and 6 (Please note Yrs 3 & 4 are swimming on Thursday)	**Thursday and Friday**
Dolphin Class Years 3 and 4 - Swimming	**Thursday - Come to school in uniform with swimming kit please**

Uniform
Order directly through Birds of Dereham (any time)
https://www.birdsofdereham.com/

Or place your order on the School Money System before the cut off dates below.

Order Through School - Dates 2023/24:
1. Order Cut Off: Fri 6th October 2023 - Delivered in November 2023
2. Order Cut Off: Fri 16th February 2024 - Delivery in March 2024
3. Order Cut Off: Fri 26th April 2024 - Delivery in May 2024
4. Order Cut Off: Fri 7th June 2024 - Delivery in July 2024

	Sweatshirt	Cardigan	Fleece Jacket	Delivery charge
Order through school (includes 10% discount)	£10.50	£12.00	£14.50	Free

If you have any queries please contact the School Office.

Dates for the Diary

Date	Time	Event
16/02/2024	3:15	Break up for Half Term Holidays - Hire Hub Club equipment available to borrow for the whole of half term.
27/02/2024	3:15-4:15	Active Outdoor Club
28/02/2024	3:15-4:00	Homework Club
29/02/2024	3:15-4:15	Sports Club - Invasion Games (Hockey, football etc.)
04/03/2024	3:15-4:15	Premier Sport Parent/Carer/Child Workshop - Scooter Skills
05/03/2024	AM and PM	Sharks - 2 Groups - Norfolk SnowSports - Tubing - letter issued
05/03/2024	3:15-4:15	Active Outdoor Club
06/03/2024	12:00-3:15	Dolphins - Norfolk SnowSports - Tubing - letter issued
06/03/2024	3:15-4:00	Homework Club
07/03/2024	3:15-4:15	Sports Club - Invasion Games (Hockey, football etc.)
07/03/2024	All day	World Book Day
12/03/2024	3:15-4:15	Active Outdoor Club

13/03/2024	3:15-4:00	Homework Club
14/03/2024	3:15-4:15	Sports Club - Invasion Games (Hockey, football etc.)
15/3/2024	All day	Comic Relief (Red Nose Day)
18/03/2024	3:15-4:15	Premier Sports Parent/Carer/Child Workshop - Ball Skills
19/03/2024	3:15-4:15	Active Outdoor Club
20/03/2024	3:15-4:00	Homework Club
21/03/2024	3:15-4:15	Sports Club - Invasion Games (Hockey, football etc.)
26/03/2024	All day	Seahorse visit to Banham Zoo - letter issued
17/04/2024	All day	Year 3 and 4 Bikeability Level 1 - Letter issued
23/04/2024	12:30-5:30	Year 6 STEAM competition event at Greshams School Holt - letter to follow
13/05/2024	All Day	Year 6 SATs tests - Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Test
14/05/2024	All Day	Year 6 SATs tests - Reading test
15/05/2024	All Day	Year 6 SATs tests - Maths papers 1 and 2
16/05/2024	All Day	Year 6 SATs tests - Maths paper 3
15/07/2024	Allday	Year 6 residential - Isle of Wight
16/07/2024	Allday	Year 6 residential - Isle of Wight
17/07/2024	Allday	Year 6 residential - Isle of Wight
18/07/2024	Allday	Year 6 residential - Isle of Wight
19/07/2024	Allday	Year 6 residential - Isle of Wight
19/07/2024	3:15	Break up for the Summer Holidays

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



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Children's Cycling Courses



Learn to Ride Courses

Description

Our Learn to Ride course (4 x 1hr lessons) is designed for children aged 4-10 yrs who would like to learn how to ride a bike with pedals by themselves.

Dates

Saturday 11th, 18th, 25th Nov, 2nd Dec (2.00-3.00pm or 3.00-4.00pm) @ Sewell Park Academy, St Clements Hill, Norwich, NR3 4BX

Saturday 18th, 25th Nov, 2nd, 9th Dec (10.00-11.00am or 11.00-12.00noon) @ Great Yarmouth Charter Academy, Salisbury Road, Great Yarmouth, NR30 4LS

Saturday 18th, 25th Nov, 2nd, 9th Dec (3.00-4.00pm or 4.00-5.00pm) @ Aylsham High School Sports Hub, Palmerston Way, Aylsham, NR11 6FN

Price

Places on the course cost £50 per child (plus booking fee). Don't worry if your child doesn't have their own bike or helmet as we can lend them both.

Book Now

For more information and to book a place visit www.littleridersuk.co.uk/learntoride/

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3 Regular Time Spaces - £8 Credit Earned
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Children will need a packed lunch, plenty to drink, suitable clothing/footwear and bundles of energy for the day!

MULTI-BOOKING REWARD:

When booking multiple spaces, you will be rewarded with account credit, which can be redeemed on future camps! The credit you earn through our multi-booking deal will be added to your iPal account wallet.
To redeem your credit, you MUST get in touch with us, confirming you have booked 3 or more spaces.

HOW TO BOOK:

- Head to the 'Camps and Clubs' section on our website and create an account on our booking system, iPal. After an account has been created and your child has been registered, you will find a list of our camps to book onto.
- *There is a tutorial video on our website showing how to use the system!*

Ages 5-12 Years Old



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FEBRUARY HALF TERM SCHEDULE

ACTIVE EDUCATION

Creativity camps will run alongside our normal sports camps, same venue, same times, SAME PRICE!

If children wish to jump from creative to sports or vice versa at any point throughout the day, they are welcome to do so.

DATE	VENUE	ACTIVITY
Monday 19th February	Roughton St. Mary's Endowed	Dodgeball/Nerf & Creativity Camp
	Fakenham Junior School	Multi Sports & Creativity Camp
Tuesday 20th February	Lyng Village Hall	Dodgeball/Nerf & Creativity Camp
	Astley Primary School	Multi Sports & Creativity Camp
Wednesday 21st February	Roughton St. Mary's Endowed	Multi Sports & Creativity Camp
	Lyng Village Hall	Dodgeball/Nerf & Creativity Camp
Thursday 22nd February	Lyng Village Hall	Multi Sports & Creativity Camp
	Fakenham Junior School	Dodgeball/Nerf & Creativity Camp
Friday 23rd February	Roughton St. Mary's Endowed	Dodgeball/Nerf & Creativity Camp
	Astley Primary School	Dodgeball/Nerf & Creativity Camp