



Busy Busy Busy!!!!

We're getting towards the end of the half term, which seems to have flown by, I hope your child(ren) have settled in well in their new classes.

As always, there's been a lot happening. Year group leaders have been busy observing teaching and learning in every class and Mrs Wilson and I have been carrying out staff appraisals. The Year 5 children had a great day at West Stow Anglo-Saxon village, in a visit linked to their current topic. All the children have recently also enjoyed Karate taster sessions, courtesy of SESMA. Our Year 6 children had their 'Legacy Day' on 2nd October where our teachers spent the day in role as important figures from the Victorian Era and a selection of children went to the Bayer Crop Science Laboratory in Cambridge to learn all about bees, including how they produce honey and the impact they have on food production.

Thank you to all the parents who came along to the individual year group open evenings last month. We received some very positive feedback from parents during the evenings and they seemed to be very successful in sharing information, establishing expectations/routines and giving parents a chance to meet their child's new teacher and see their classroom.

Thank you very much to everyone who donated so generously to our harvest appeal for Norwich Foodbank. There was a fantastic display of tins, jars and packets of food in the hall for our harvest assembly on October 8th, led by Rev. Seabrook. We hope Norwich Foodbank will be able to give us an idea of how many families they were able to help with all the food that was donated by parents/children from our school.

The last day of this half term for the children is Wednesday October 17th. I hope you all have a lovely half term break.

Paul Henman
Deputy Headteacher

Mr Stanley/School Charity

Thank you very much for all your kind words and best wishes towards Mr Stanley. In light of his condition, we have decided to have 'The Brain Tumour Charity' as our charity of the year. Some parents have spoken to us regarding making a donation to this charity; if you would like to do this, it will now be possible via 'School Money' in the shop section.



Cross Country

Our first cross country fixture of the year was on Friday 5th October. All our runners did really well with our boys team finishing 3rd overall and our girls team finishing 7th. Special mention to Logan from Year 6 who came first in the boy's race



Football matches

We have had a number of matches so far this term. At the time of writing the results are as follows:

Our Yr 5 boys team: 4-3 win vs Falcon; 7-1 win vs Old Catton; 2-1 win vs Colman

Our Yr 6 boys team: 5-0 win vs Colman; 1-1 draw vs Woodland View



Our girls team: 6-0 win vs Horsford; 5-0 win vs Woodland View; 4-0 win vs White Woman Lane and a narrow 2-1 defeat vs St Williams



A great start to the season for all three of our teams!

Morning routine

Please can we remind parents/carers about our morning routine. Although the gates open at 8:20am in the morning, children are only supervised from 8:30am. If children are on the playground between these times they should be waiting sensibly and not running around like they would during a playtime.



Thank you.

Mrs Moulton

Some of you may know that Mrs Moulton, one of our Year 3 teachers, has recently completed a cycle ride from London to Paris to raise money for 'Women v Cancer'. She did this in only 3 days - an amazing achievement.



Uniform Reminder

Year 3 Uniform - Can all parents ensure Year 3 children are wearing White Polo Shirts and not mulberry.
Many Thanks

Nut-free school-Reminder

Because we have a number of children with severe (i.e. potentially life-threatening) nut allergies, we are a nut-free school, and have been for a number of years. Please ensure that your children do not come to school with any nuts or products containing nuts (e.g. 'Nutella' or other chocolate/hazelnut spreads). Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



The Green Team are collecting stamps for the RSPB 'Save the Albatross' Campaign.
There is a box in the library and by the Office.



Green Team

We've had an exciting start to the new school year. After lots of excellent applications full of great ideas, we selected our new Green Team. Following our fantastic achievement of gaining the Eco Schools Silver Award last year, our goal this year is to start working towards the Green Flag award.



So far this term, we have been designing posters to go on our new outside recycling bins to make sure everyone knows where to put their waste. We have also re-started our weekly Eco-Elephant inspections which involve the Green Team members going around all of the classrooms during assembly to see who are the most environmentally friendly. We check that the lights and boards have been switched off; the taps are not dripping; the recycling bins are being used correctly and we also score each class a mark out of ten for their tidiness. The winner gets to keep Eco-Elephant for the week and the children love finding out who that is in our Monday assembly.



Our next focus will be on choosing our first topic to work on towards the Green Flag. Watch this Space!



PTFA News

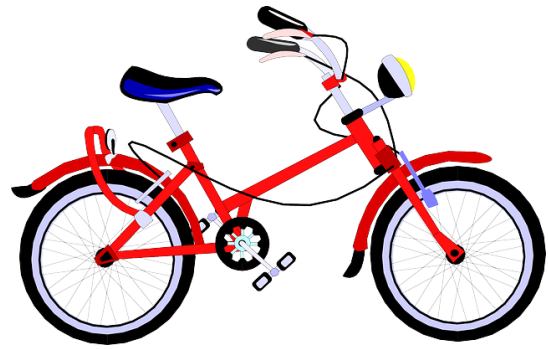
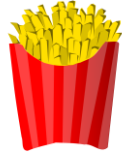
The children finished creating their Christmas card designs and they were sent off to the printing company. The proofs are due back any day so look out for them in your child's school bag along with instructions about how to place your order.



A quick reminder that Wednesday is our Halloween disco. Tickets are £2 on School Money or £2.50 on the door.

Years 3/4 are 6-7pm and Years 5/6 are 7.15-8.30pm. **Fancy dress is optional.**

After half term, we have two Bingo and Chips afternoons to look forward to. Years 3/4 will be on Thursday 22nd November and years 5/6 will be on Thursday 29th November. Both will run from 3pm to 4.45pm. More details will be sent home after half term.



Year 5 Cycle Road Training.

We are lucky enough to have a parent that takes our cycle road training voluntarily. She does several courses throughout the academic year to ensure all children that would like to, complete the course.

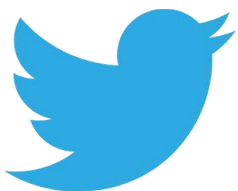
We have recently struggled to get parent helpers to support with this (we need 2 per course), if we are unable to get help for this then we may have to stop the training. Which would be a real shame.

The courses run on a Monday from 9-12.30pm for 3 weeks. If you are able to spare a little time to support with the Cycle Road Training then please contact the School Office.

Many Thanks.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October	
Weds 17th	PTFA Halloween Disco-Last day of half term
Weds 17th	Year 3 Reading Café 9.30-11.30am
Thurs 18th	INSET DAY
Mon 29th	Beginning of new half-term for staff and children
Mon 29th	Year 6 Height and Weight
November	
Thurs 1st	Flu vaccinations for Yr 3, 4 and 5 children
w/b 5th	Families week (parents and carers in for lunch)
w/b 12th	Anti-bullying week
Fri 16th	Children in Need
Mon 19th - Thurs 22nd	Open mornings for Yr 2 parents (tours at 10:30am each day)
Mon 19th	NSPCC workshops for Yr 6 children
Tues 20th	Yr 6 Gressenhall trip
Thurs 22nd	NSPCC workshops for Yr 5 children
Thurs 22nd	Bingo and Chips Yr 3/4
Thurs 29th	Bingo and Chips Yr 5/6
December	
Tues 4th	Carol service walk through
Weds 5th	Carol Service at St Peter Mancroft Church; rehearsal at 11:30am, service at 7:30pm
w/b Mon 10th	Christmas Lunches (Yr 3 to Yr 6)
Mon 17th	PTFA Christmas Disco
Tues 18th	End of Autumn Term
January	
Thurs 3rd	Spring term begins
Fri 11th	Interim reports out to parents
Weds 16th	Learning reviews (3-6:30pm)
Thurs 24th	Learning reviews (4-8pm)
February	
Fri 15th	Last day of half-term
Mon 25th	New half-term starts for staff and children
March	
w/b Mon 4th	Book week
Thurs 7th	World Book Day
Tues 12th	Cake Concert
Fri 15th	Comic Relief
Weds 27th - Fri 29th	Yr 6 Caythorpe Residential Trip
April	
Wed 3rd	PTFA Easter Disco
Fri 5th	End of Spring Term for children
Tues 23rd	Summer Term starts for staff and children
May	
Weds 8th	Learning reviews (3-6:30pm)
w/b Mon 13th	SATs week
Thurs 16th	Learning reviews and Yr 6 open evening (4-8pm)
Thurs 23rd	PTFA BBQ (4:30-7:30pm)

Fri 24th	End of half-term
June	
Mon 3rd	Start of half-term for staff and children
Weds 12th	Summer concert (6pm)
Thurs 13th	Summer concert (9:15am)
Fri 21st	Music showcase to Yr 2/Yr 3 children (new time of 10:30am)
Tues 25th	Yr 2/Yr 3 multi-sports event
Weds 26th	New Yr 3 parents meeting (6-8pm)
Thurs 27th	Yr 3/Yr 4 sports day
Fri 28th	Yr 5/Yr 6 sports day
July	
Fri 5th	Transfer Day (provisional date)
Mon 15th	End of year reports sent out to parents
Tues 16th	Yr 6 show (1:30pm)
Weds 17th	Yr 6 show (6pm)
Mon 22nd	Yr 6 awards assembly (9am)
Tues 23rd	PTFA disco and leavers' BBQ
Weds 24th	Leavers' breakfast Leavers' service End of Summer Term

TERM DATES 2018-2019

2018 / 2019	First day of term	Last day of term
Autumn Term 1	Thursday 6 th September	Thursday 18 th October
Autumn Term 2	Monday 29 th October	Tuesday 18 th December
Spring Term 1	Thursday 3 th January	Friday 15 th February
Spring Term 2	Monday 25 th February	Friday 5 th April
Summer Term 1	Tuesday 23 rd April	Friday 24 th May
Summer Term 2	Monday 3 rd June	Wednesday 24 th July
INSET DAYS	<i>4th and 5th September 2018</i>	
	<i>18th October 2018</i>	
MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY	<i>Monday 6th May 2018</i>	

***IMPORTANT NOTE: Dates for Staff Training Days may need to be altered.
Notice will be given if this proves to be necessary.***