



Message from our Executive Head

This week in our meeting, staff and governors explored our vision, values and ethos. It was lovely to hear examples from across our Federation of how the children demonstrate Christian values and many ways in which they shine.

This week, children from across our federation joined together to travel to Norwich School for a maths competition. They were excellent ambassadors, with staff really proud of the way that they got involved in the activities. Well done to all!!

Mrs Brand

Robins

This week Robin Class have been exploring the capital cities, flags, and surrounding seas of each country within the UK. During PSHE we discussed the importance of having a balanced diet and the need to include protein. I was extremely impressed by the highly creative balanced meals designed by all! During our science lessons Robin class have been observing seasonal changes since the winter months. We had fun going on a scavenger hunt and keeping a tally of any animals that we came across on our travels! During maths year 2 have been finding quarters and halves of shapes and numbers, Year 1 have continued to learn about capacity and volume, whilst reception have been recognising and counting numbers to 20 and beyond!

Barn Owls

This week Barn Owls have started to write our own versions of How to trap a Grass Goblin. We have looked at the original text and have used this as a guide for our own one. In maths we have had a week telling the time using an analogue clock. Please do practise this at home as it's an important life skill. In French we have continued to learn classroom vocabulary, in art we planned our shoes which we will make out of papier mâché and in computing we started to look at word processing. We are also asking if you have any newspapers at home that you could donate for a school project it would be very much appreciated

Golden Eagles

This week in Golden Eagles we have planned and started to write our own stories about losing something. We spent a whole afternoon on history looking at the ancient Greek agora and who would have used it, using our acting skills in the process! We also looked at some pottery and discussed the role of women in Ancient Greece, focussing on the differences between poor and rich women. We continued to look at regular verbs in French and computer systems in computing. In science we looked more closely at how we can classify different plants. As well as all of our normal lessons, we also had some other exciting things going on. We had eight children representing the school on maths challenge days at Norwich School and on Tuesday all of year six went to Hobart for a forensic science day!

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Prayer

Mighty God from up high,
You are the Lord of the earth
and sky,
We know we sometimes get
things wrong,
We're sorry for those things
we've done.
We thank you for our
families, friends and school,
We thank you for loving us
all.
Please can you let our lights
shine,
In all our work, including
mine.
Amen



After School Club

Unfortunately Minimoon after school club on Fridays hold their final session today.

We are looking into alternative afterschool provisions for Fridays for the rest of the term.

Lunch Menu Change

As from today the Cheese, Ham & Mayo Roll will no longer be available, the replacement option is Egg Mayo Roll



Whole School Attendance

YTD



95.45%

Reading Wings



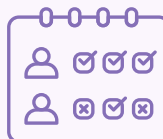
Robins

Are this weeks winners!

Attendance

Barn Owls

Have the highest attendance this week!



Art Gallery

We are holding an art gallery week beginning 29th April. This will be open for specific slots for classes and their parents and then after school Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday until 4 pm for anyone that wishes to have a look.

Monday 2:45 - Golden Eagles

Tuesday 2:45 - Robin

Thursday 2:45 - Barn Owls

After school clubs will run as normal on these days

Maths Challenge

A huge 'well done' to all of the children that participated in the Norwich School Maths challenge. A fantastic time was had by all!

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Important Dates

- 29/04 - Barn Owls Hockey Session in School (wear PE kit)
- 29/04 - Golden Eagles Art Gallery 2.45pm
- 30/04 - Robin Art Gallery 2.45pm
- 01/05 - Barn Owls Art Gallery 2.45pm
- 01/05 - Y1 & Y2 Multiskills at Hobart (info to follow)
- 02/05 - Level 2 Bikeability (Year 5)
- 06/05 - Bank Holiday
- 07/05 - Tempest Leavers Photos (Y6)
- 13/05 - SATS Week
- 20/05 - Barn Owls Hockey at Langley
- 24/05 - Golden Eagles visit from Hobart
- 24/05 - Last day of Summer Term 1
- 03/06 - First day of Summer Term 2
- 03/06 - Barn Owls swimming
- 04/06 - Premier Sports Mini Dance Event Whole School - Please wear PE kit
- 13/06 - Y6 Bungay High School Transition Evening
- 14/06 - Y6 Road Safety Session
- 17/06 - Golden Eagles Horstead Residential
- 21/06 - Ditchingham Sports Day

Communications

We are moving away from MyEd/Parentmail and moving over to a new system called Arbor. You will receive further information on how to download and use the Arbor app over the coming weeks.

If we can ask that when contacting the office you use phone or email rather than PS Connect for the next few weeks while we change over it would be very much appreciated.

