DITCHINGHAM PRIMARY ACADEMY

28th March 2025

Executive Head

Another busy week in school this week, with children demonstrating how they shine in all areas across the curriculum. It hardly seems possible that we are almost at the end of the spring term, we look forward to welcoming you to our Easter service which will be at St. Mary's Church Ditchingham 2.15 pm on Monday 31st March

Mrs Brand

Robins

This week during our PE lessons we have been acting as attackers moving around controlling a ball in different ways such as dribbling with our hands, feet, rolling throwing and catching. We have also been learning to defend, acting as goalkeepers to stop goals and explore different ways of defending.

During PSHE this week we have been learning the difference between positive and negative behaviour. We looked at examples of negative bullying behaviours and worked as a team to write a positive solution to each one.

During our science lessons this week we have really enjoyed experiencing farming first hand, by caring for an ewe and her lamb on our school grounds. We carefully followed feeding instructions before feeding them. We have also learnt about their diet, lifecycle and the structure of a sheep.

Barn Owls

This week Barn Owls have been investigating the poem 'From a Railway Carriage' by Robert Louis Stevenson. We have looked at the similes and metaphors being used and we have started to write our own poems based on a picture looking through a window. Some of us have even managed to include rhyming couplets. In maths Year 3 have continued to investigate mass and capacity and Year 4 have worked on the two columns after the decimal point, bus stop division and multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100 - a busy week! In science we have investigated conductors and insulators in electricity, in history we have reenacted the journey to the afterlife before the weighing of the heart and in Food Technology we cut, made and decorated our sandwich boxes, ready for the making and easting part next week!

Please can I ask parents and carers to practise the weekly spellings and encourage the children to play the games on Ed shed and timestables.co.uk

Golden Eagles

In Maths this week we have been working algebraically; using function machines, finding missing values and exploring substitution. Some of our students have even learnt some maths-magic tricks to deduce a number using a variety of calculations.

Our handball games in PE have now developed into proper team events and it has been wonderful to watch the skills and communication develop between our students as they play. We think the Olympics may line up several of our pupils for future Olympic handball teams so watch this space!

In computing we have continued to look at Excel spreadsheets and learning how to use formulas to collate totals of amounts.

We have been practising our part for the Easter service and look forward to sharing this with you next week.

To help us learn more and improve our service please use the link or QR code to answers 3 questions.
Thank you for your support,
The Norfolk Healthy Child Service

https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/healthy-lifestyles/healthy-lifestyles-questionnaire/

Whole School Attendance

Year to date

96.35%

Learn About Livestock

24th March - 28th March

This week, we've had the chance to gain firsthand experience in farming by taking care of a ewe and her lamb(s) right on our school grounds for the whole week.

For more details about learning about livestock, visit: https://ffdt.co.uk/explore/learn-about-livestock-2023.



School 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

Well done!

Maths Monster

This week

Robins

Kingfisher Reading Wings Award

This week

Robins

Attendance Award

This week

Robins

Important Dates

Red dates have been added/updated since previous newsletters

- 28/03 - Mothers Day messages in Beccles & Bungay Journal
- 31/03 - Easter Service, St. Mary's Church Ditchingham 2.15 pm Parents Invited Please complete the consent from here
- 04/04 - Last Day of Spring Term 2
- 23/04 - First Day of Summer Term 1
- 23/04 - New Nourish menu
- 05/05 - Bank Holiday
- 06/05 - Tempest Y6 Leavers Photos & Class Photos
- ~~07/05 - Y1 & Y2 Multskills at Hobart~~ - Cancelled
- 09/05 - Bikeability Level 2 (Year 5)
- 21/05 - Music Performance to Parents, 9am at School
- 23/05 - Hobart visiting Y6
- 23/05 - Last Day of Summer Term 1
- 02/06 - First Day of Summer Term 2
- 02/06 - Barn Owls Hockey Session in school (PE Kit)
- 04/06 - Golden Eagles to visit Broome Village Hall
- 10/06 - Golden Eagles Tag Rugby in school (PE Kit)
- ~~07/07 - Y6 Road Safety Session~~ (to be recheduled due to transition dates)
- 23/06 - Barn Owls Hockey Festival at Langley
- 30/06 to 02/07 - Golden Eagles Horstead Residential
- 01/07 - Bungay High School Transition (Y6)
- 07/07 to 09/07 - Hobart High School Transition (Y6)
- 18/07 - Y6 Leavers trip to Pleasurewood Hills
- 22/07 - Last Day of Summer Term 2 (end of Academic Year)

Useful Information

Ditchingham Church of England Primary Academy

Calendar	Click Here
Telephone Number	01986 893 277
E-mail address	ditchinghamoffice@kingfisherpartnership.org
Term Dates 2024-2025	Click Here
Term Dates 2025-2026	Click Here
Support Resources	Click Here

Enrichment Clubs

Ditchingham Church of England Primary Academy

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning Club ***8.00am - 8.50am*** £2.50 per day via Parentmail	***Morning Club*** ***8.00am - 8.50am*** £2.50 per day via Parentmail	***Morning Club*** ***8.00am - 8.50am*** £2.50 per day via Parentmail	***Morning Club*** ***8.00am - 8.50am*** £2.50 per day via Parentmail	***Morning Club*** ***8.00am - 8.50am*** £2.50 per day via Parentmail
After School Club ***3.20pm - 4.20pm*** **Mrs FB** **Lego Club** £4 per session via Parentmail	***After School Club*** ***3.20pm - 4.20pm*** **Mrs Woodgate** **Art Club** £4 per session via Parentmail		***After School Clubs*** ***3.20pm - 4.15pm*** **Mr Sibbons** **Football** £4 per session via Parentmail	***After School Clubs*** **3.20pm - 4.20pm** **Mrs Woodgate** **Games & Gardening** £4 per session via Parentmail

Please contact the school office if you require financial support
or head to https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs

APRIL TO OCTOBER 2025

WEEKLY MENU

NOURISH

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE 21ST APRIL 12TH MAY 9TH JUNE 30TH JUNE 21ST JULY 1ST SEPTEMBER 22ND SEPTEMBER 13TH OCTOBER	Mild Chilli Beef Tomato & Herb Penne Pasta **1 VG** Jacket with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rice, Mixed Peppers, Peas Jammy Finger **1,6 VG** & Custard **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Chicken & Tomato Pasta Shells **1** Cheese & Bean Wrap Pocket & Wedges **1,7 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Seasonal Vegetables Ice Cream **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Sausage Roll & Gravy **1,6** Vegetable Sausage & Gravy **VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rustic Roast Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots Fruit Jelly **VG** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Margherita Pizza **1,3,7 V** Loaded Bean Wedges **VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rainbow Pasta **1**, Sweetcorn, Coleslaw **9** Sultana Cake **1VG** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Fish Fingers **1,8** or Salmon Fish Cake **1,7,8** Cheese & Tomato Pinwheel **1,7 V** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Cucumber Caramel Cookie **1,7** Yoghurt **3,7** Fruit Pots **VG**
WEEK TWO 28TH APRIL 19TH MAY 16TH JUNE 7TH JULY 8TH SEPTEMBER 29TH SEPTEMBER 20TH OCTOBER	Vegetable Nuggets with Tomato Sauce & Rainbow Rice **1VG** Tomato & Sweetcorn Pasta **1 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Carrots, Peas Vanilla Sponge **1VG** & Custard **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Minced Beef Pie **1** Cheesy Pasta Twists **1,7 V** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Crushed Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables Chocolate & Mandarin Mousse **7,3** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Roast Chicken & Gravy Vegetable Pastry Puff **1 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rustic Roast Potatoes Cabbage, Carrots Cornflake Cookie **1,3,7,16** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Pulled Pork Loaded Wedges Tomato Spaghetti **1 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Green Beans, Coleslaw **9** Spiced Apple Focaccia **1,3 VG** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Margherita Pizza **1,3,7 V** Tuna Penne Pasta **1,7,8** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Chips, Peas, Grated Carrot Oaty Biscuit **1,15 VG** Yoghurt **3,7** Fruit Pots **VG**
WEEK THREE 5TH MAY 2ND JUNE 23rd JUNE 14TH JULY 15TH SEPTEMBER 6TH OCTOBER	Bolognaise Pasta Shells **1** Savoury Cheese Swirl **1,7 V** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Baked Wedges Seasonal Vegetables Ice Cream **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Mild Chicken Curry Herby Tomato Penne Pasta **1 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rice, Green Beans, Carrots Peach Sponge **1VG** & Custard **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Sausages & Gravy **1,6** Vegetable Sausage & Gravy **VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rustic Roast Potatoes, Broccoli, Swede Fruit Jelly **VG** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Macaroni Cheese **1,7 V** Tomato & Vegetable Puff **1 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Carrots, Mixed Peppers Chocolate Cake **1 VG** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Fish Fingers **1,8** Vegetable Nuggets **1 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Chips, Peas, Sweetcorn, Coleslaw **9** Ginger Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**

AVAILABLE DAILY 1 Wheat Gluten 2 Crustaceans 3 Soybean 4 Mustard 5 Sesame 6 Sulphites/Sulphur Dioxide 7 Milk 8 Fish 9 Egg 10 Peanuts 11 Molluscs 12 Celeriac/Celery 13 Nuts 14 Lupins 15 Oat Gluten 16 Barley Gluten VG Vegan V Vegetarian

Selection of Salads 9, Homemade Bread 1,3. Some of our schools may use pre prepped potatoes or vegetables on occasions. These may contain sulphites and celeriac. Please discuss with your manager.

WE ♥ VEGGIES

Improving lives **together**

Norfolk and Waveney Integrated Care System

NHS

PHARMACY FIRST

GET THE RIGHT TREATMENT, FASTER!

What can pharmacists help with?

- Sore throats (From 5 years and over)
- Ear Infection/Earache (Children ages 1 to 17 years old)
- Impetigo (Adults and children over 1 year old)
- Urinary tract infections [UTIs] (Women aged 16 to 64 years)
- Infected insect bites (Adults and children 1 year and over)
- Sinusitis (Adults and Children aged 12 years and over)
- Shingles (Adults ages 18 and over)



For more information, Scan the QR code

Visit your nearest Pharmacy, No appointment needed!

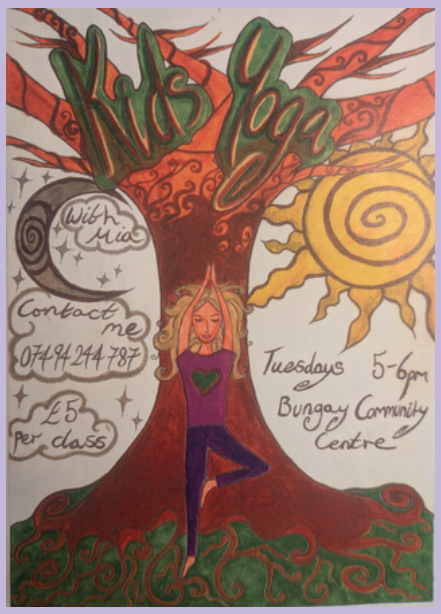
Community


Easter Activities
INTENSIVE SWIMMING COURSES
Suitable for 4 years+
max 4 swimmers per class
30mins each day
COLNEIS POOL FELIXSTOWE
5 Day Course
7th - 11th April
£59.75
OAKLANDS LEISURE POOL FLIXTON RD
3 Day Course
7th - 9th April
£35.85
REDLINGFIELD
3 Day Course
9th - 11th April
£35.85
YOXFORD
3 Day Course
7th - 9th April
£35.85
ACTIVITY SESSIONS
1 hour - Oaklands Leisure Pool only
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PRIVATE TUITION
1:1 and 2:1 suitable for adults and children available at all pools
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earthwake
Outdoor Play
Activity Days
Days of freedom in nature, for children aged 5-11.
A huge range of activities will be available to choose from. Enjoy tool use, den building, green woodworking, natural art, free play, invertebrate hunting, hammock swinging & preparing & cooking food, to eat together.
To book, visit the Eequ website:
https://eequ.org/book/earthwake-outdoor-play-activity-days-with-earthwake-cic-9748
Location and dates: Ilketshall St Lawrence Primary - Monday 7 & Tuesday 8 April.
Times: 10am - 3pm.
These are HAF funded days. Children's places are FREE, if they are in receipt of benefits related free school meals. Paid places are available at a cost of £29.80/child/day.
What's included?: A cooked lunch and snacks, all equipment and resources (art creations and woodwork pieces can be taken home).
If transport to the activity days is an issue, please get in touch, as East Suffolk Council may be able to cover the cost of bus tickets and public transport. If you have any questions, please call or message Kat - 07881 527967, sjandkcwilson@gmail.com
Sessions will be run by Kat & Lorna - experienced, friendly & inclusive, qualified First Aiders with enhanced DBS checks and level 3 Forest School qualifications.


CAMPS WITH THE CHAMPS
SOUTHWOLD RFC
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 6-16
Monday 14th – Wednesday 16th April
WWW.NORTHAMPTONSAINTS.CO.UK/COMMUNITY/CAMP-BOOKING
SAINTS RUGBY CAMPS
SAINTS RUGBY CAMPS
Travis Perkins


JACKET POTATO, CHOICE OF FILLING, SALAD AND FRUIT
SPUD CLUB
SUGGESTED DONATION £1
After school club
for primary age kids during term time
Thursdays 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm
Bungay Community Centre NR35 1PU
ACTIVITIES, FUN, CRAFT, GAMES, PRAYER STATION AND A FREE HEALTHY MEAL
With thanks to funding from East Suffolk Council, Tesco Stronger Starts Community Grants, and The Simon Gibson Charitable Trust
It's helpful to know numbers, please contact Ed on 07400033746 or email: edward.land@lightwave.community or just turn up!
Children to be accompanied by an adult
@LightwaveBungayandBeyond
www.lightwave.community


Kids Yoga
With Mia
Contact me
07494 244 787
Tuesdays 5-6pm
Bungay Community Centre
£5 per class


HM Courts & Tribunals Service
Norwich Crown, Family & County Courts
Open Day
Maundy Thursday, 17th April 2025 10am - 3pm
Visit our cells • Observe a mock trial
Meet a sniffer dog • Learn about mediation
Experience a video link • On-site Cafe
Demonstrations and other activities
Learn about the Justice System!
Admission Free - all ages welcome
The Law Courts, Bishopgate, Norwich NR3 1UR
Justice matters


BECCLES R.U.F.C.
MINIS & TINYS RUGBY
COME AND JOIN IN THE FUN!
Our new season has now started and our youngest players are leading the way! Our Minis and Tiny's train every Sunday at 10am.
Come on down and join our rugby family, make new friends and build confidence in a friendly fun and safe environment.
All age groups catered for from Pre-school to Year 7!
More info on our free taster sessions please contact minis@becclesrufc.co.uk


soul children bungay
Youth Gospel Choir for age 9 -13s
Sign up here!
Mondays from 17th March
16:30-18:00
at the Lightwave Hub
12 Broad St. Bungay NR35 1EE
£4/session
Additional siblings £2/session
1st Session FREE!
no auditions
Musical Director Heather Land
Soul Children Bungay is a project of the Lightwave Hub
12 Broad St, Bungay, NR35 1EE
lightwave


earthwake
WILDERNESS & BUSHCRAFT DAY
WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL
10AM - 3PM
FOR 11-16 YR OLDS
£35/SESSION
No charge for those eligible for FREE SCHOOL MEALS
Breakfast, drinks, lunch & snacks all provided.
A day out in the woodland & meadow by the river. Set up base, use handtools & wood. Carry out conservation tasks for wildlife. Sit by the campfire, make art. Freedom in nature!
Funded by the Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) Programme
SAFETY PROCEDURES IN PLACE, FOREST SCHOOL TRAINED, ENHANCED DBS. WEAR OUTDOOR GEAR & BRING LAYERS
We will arrange a lift if needed.
BUCK HILLS, Old Harleston Rd, (Near Tubes Scaffolding) EARSHAM, NR35 2AF
TO BOOK go to Eequ.org
Then Search activities, search Earthwake, scroll down to Wilderness
More info: text 07825 097732
lornaearthwake@gmail.com

Community



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BUNGAY TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB
SOCCER IN THE COMMUNITY.CO.UK

To Book,Call or Text Darell Sibbons 07985 75 80 80

Easter Holiday 2025
Matches Days For School Years 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8
Wednesday 9th & 16th April
Thursday 10th & 17th April
All dates are 10am – 2pm and cost £12.00

ALL SOCCER SCHOOLS ARE HELD @ BUNGAY TOWN FC GRASS PITCH NR35 2RU
FREE Medal for everyone, and chances to win other Medals,Trophies and Prizes
Coaches are FA and COERVER qualified, with
Emergency Aid, Safeguarding, and DBS Certificates
Players of all abilities are welcome, however exceptional quality players will be recommended to Ipswich Town Fc
Please get your child to bring with them, SHIN PADS, WATERPROOF JACKET, FOOTBALL BOOTS/TRAINERS,
DRINKS (not fizzy) and PACKED LUNCH.

Payments by Cash, Cheque payable to D.Sibbons, or Bank Transfer, Account Number 10742341, Sort Code 20-92-08
together with this completed form are needed on the day of the Soccer School

Please text me for availability on the number above, as dates regularly SELL OUT

Child Name..... D.O.B.....
Address.....
Postcode..... Email.....
Home/Mobile...../.....
School Name..... School Year.....
PLEASE CIRCLE DATE(S) REQUIRED 9th 10th 16th 17th

Does your child suffer from any illness or disabilities, which should be brought to our attention?
YES NO
If Yes please give details on reverse of form.
DECLARATION BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN
I wish for my child to be accepted on the above course, and I agree to the terms and conditions, and confirm that any medical condition that may affect my childs participation on the course has been fully disclosed.
HEALTH AND SAFETY / CHILD PROTECTION
I also give permission for Bungay Town Fc / Soccer In The Community, to take and use photographs of my child for future publications and publicity, and to administer First aid if necessary, and to transfer my child to hospital, should an emergency arise. I except that Darell Sibbons / Soccer in The Community and coaches cannot be held responsible for any injury to my child during the event listed above.

Signature of Parent or Guardian..... Date.....

Easter Services at St. Marys Church

Sunday 20th April

- 5.45am
- 10.00am

St. Mary's Church, Belsey Bridge Rd, Ditchingham, Bungay NR35 2JS