DITCHINGHAM PRIMARY ACADEMY

20th June 2025

Executive Head

Well done to all this week for keeping concentration on learning whilst navigating the shift in temperature! It is lovely to get outside and participate in sports, I have been really impressed by how children have supported each other with athletics races and team challenges, enjoying the thrill of winning with excellent humility.

Many thanks to our Friends Association (Ditchingham Academy Friends), for providing refreshments for our sports afternoons. We are very grateful for the time given so freely to add 'extras' to our school.

I also want to thank those that have kindly sourced and provided additional activities for our children to use at lunchtimes, these have been thoroughly appreciated by the children. Including finger skateboards, paint pens, chalks, scratch art, colouring supplies and much more!

Mrs Brand

Robins

This week we have been continuing our sewing in DT. We have sewn a square shape on to fabric to begin with, we have realised how challenging this can be! During Science we have continued our topic about plants and how they grow. We set up an experiment to see what happens to grass if it doesn't get any light and over the next few weeks we will look at it to see what has happened to the grass which has been covered up. In RE we are learning about the Jewish religion and have been looking at the different features of a Synagogue and what they are used for. In Maths Year 1 and 2 have been learning about fractions and Reception have been learning about patterns. What a busy week we have had!

Barn Owls

This week in Barn Owls we have been working hard on our imitation of the Dark Avenger Dragon and will be writing our own versions next week. In maths we have continued to investigate angles and shapes, looking specifically at the vocabulary needed to understand them. In science we learned about how insects pollinate flowers and in RE we have been discussing what it means to be a pilgrim. In PE we had sports afternoon and enjoyed Outdoor Adventurous Activities (OAA). Finally, our biggest focus has been on rehearsing our play - ready for next week's production.

Golden Eagles

Golden Eagles have continued their vector drawings in computing this week and are very talented – their pictures are very impressive! In Science we are learning about human growth and how we all grow and develop over time. In English we have started a new text called The Frost Unicorn, it is a non-chronological report. We have been unpicking the text this week to understand all the features of this genre of writing. You will be pleased to hear the play is coming on well and we look forward to sharing this with you all next week. Today, we will complete our Sports Day, which is always a great afternoon.

Donations

Our gardening after school club is in desperate need of compost, if you have any you are able to donate please let the school office know.

We are on the lookout for fun things to do at lunch time. If you have any of the following items we would be most grateful for any donations

- ***Remote control cars***
- ***Scratch art***
- ***Paint pens***
- ***Bracelet making kits***
- ***Bubble machine***
- ***Toy cars***

...etc

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

Warmer Weather

As we transition into the warmer months, we kindly request that you ensure your child comes to school each day wearing sunscreen and bringing a sun hat along with a water bottle.

Whole School Attendance

Year to date

95.99%

Awards

Kingfisher Reading Wings Award

This week

Golden Eagles

Attendance Award

This week

Golden Eagles

Useful Information

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

Important Dates

Red dates have been added/updated since previous newsletters

23 Jun 2025	Golden Eagles Poetry Workshop (in school)
23 Jun 2025	Barn Owls Hockey Festival at Langley
24 Jun 2025	Y6 Road Safety Session (in school)
26 Jun 2025	KS2 Production 2.00pm
26 Jun 2025	KS2 Production 6.00pm
27 Jun 2025	**Non-Uniform (in exchange for a Tombola Prize)**
30 Jun 2025 to 02 Jul 2025	Golden Eagles Residential Day 1
1 Jul 2025 & 2 Jul 2025	Bungay High School Transition Day (Y6)
7 Jul 2025	Hobart High School Transition (Y6)
8 Jul 2025	Hobart High School Transition (Y6)
9 Jul 2025	Hobart High School Transition (Y6)
10 Jul 2025	Bungay High School TasterDay (Y5)
11 Jul 2025	Internal Transition Morning
11 Jul 2025	DAFS Summer Fete 3.20pm
16 Jul 2025	Academic Reports sent home
17 Jul 2025	Y6 Leavers Assembly 9am
17 Jul 2025	Internal transition Afternoon
18 Jul 2025	Leavers trip to Pleasurewood Hills (Y6)
22 Jul 2025	Teddy Bears Picnic Menu
22 Jul 2025	Last Day of Summer Term 2 (end of Academic Year)



Ditchingham Primary Academy

NON-UNIFORM

Friday 27th July.

Please bring in a Tombola Prize for the DAFS Tombola

FOR ANY QUERIES PLEASE CONTACT
DITCHINGHAMFINANCE@KINGFISHERPARTNERSHIP.ORG



Community


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
Children to be accompanied by an adult
@LightwaveBungayandBeyond
www.lightwave.community


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 Tinys 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.
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SUMMER SCHOOL
Ages 5-13
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Wednesdays&fridays
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6th august
musical creators
22nd august
arts&crafts party
8th august
olympics bootcamp
27th august
activity day
13th august
Pop star party
29th august
dance the genres
15th august
Hempnall village hall
£35 all day or £6.50 per hour
Olipatheatrecompany@gmail.com


EARSHAM BENEFICE HOLIDAY CLUB 2025
9:15AM - 12:00 AM ON THURS 24 AND FRI 25 JULY
Starship Discovery
MORE DETAILS AT EARSHAMBENEFICE.ORG.UK


earthwake
Saturday June 21st
ART
ART
Club Evolution
INSECT CRAFT
loads of different art materials to make your insect using mixed media
10.30am - noon
for 5 - 9 yrs £7
1pm - 3.30pm
for 10 - 16 £10
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TO BOOK PLACE/S:
lornaearthwake@gmail.com
TEXT 07825 097732
VENUE
Riverside Centre NR35 1BF
Off Staithe Road Bungay