



The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Friday 17th March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Sporle Newsletter for week ending 17th March 2023

Time is rushing by and Easter will very soon be upon us. It's been a busy week here at Sporle with preparations underway for our Easter service, singing practise and Red Nose Day. The week finished on a high with our oldest class, the Kingfisher class, going to Norwich Castle Museum for 'Ancient civilisations day'.

Easter Service

We'd like to welcome our families and community to our Easter service at St Mary's Church on Thursday 30th March at 1:30. We look forward to seeing you all there. After the service, we'd like to invite you back to school for an Easter Egg hunt organised by our FOSS. It is £1 per child to take part, payable on the day.

Easter Egg Hunt

After our Easter service at St Mary's Church on the 30th March, we'd like to invite you back to an Easter egg hunt at school organised by our Friends of Sporle School (FOSS). It will cost £1 per child to take part on the day.

Bingo

Doors open 7 eyes down 7.30 Bring your own refreshments Raffle £5 for a book of 6 plus £1 for flyer

Robin Parents/Carers Cafe

On Friday 31st March, we would like to invite the families of our Robins class to a 'parents and carers cafe' at 2:00pm until 3:10pm. Mrs Joplin will kindly be providing refreshments. The focus will be on Read Write Inc, with a little more information for our families on what this looks like at school, and how you can support your child at home.

Start of the day

We would just like to remind our families that the school day begins at 8:40 and the children can come straight to the classroom as they arrive where they have a morning task in class to complete which focuses on key skills like spelling and times tables. Adults are timetabled to support children from 8:40 - please ensure a member of staff has seen them through before leaving them. From Monday, the outside playground will not be opened until 8:30 so please do not arrive at school before this time.

Allergy Aware Schools - Please do not send nuts into Nar Valley Federation Academies

NB. Please note that we try and include in the newsletter local events that may be of interest, but inclusion in the newsletter does not constitute an endorsement or recommendation of any such event from ourselves.

Parking

We would like to remind our parents and carers that the car park is to be used by staff and school contractors only, with the exception of those who have a meeting at the school arranged. We do have a limited number of spaces reserved for blue badge holders and if you would like to use these, please visit the school office to show your blue badge.

Whilst the lane outside is not on school grounds, our children will use this lane regularly to access the school and it is very busy with young children in the mornings and afternoons. In order to ensure our pupils' safety, we kindly ask you to refrain from using the lane, where possible, during school times. It has been brought to our attention that we have had a number of incidents where children have been very close to moving cars and we want to avoid any tragic accidents.

Attendance Rewards

Attendance rates for this week ending 17th March 2023 are as follows:

Robins: 94.78% Woodpeckers: 97.78% Kingfishers: 89.33% Whole school: 93.24%

Well done to Woodpecker class for achieving the highest attendance award. Keep up the good work!

Hopefully all classes can achieve the nationally expected each week this year. Information regarding attendance and the Norfolk County Council expectations will be shared over the coming weeks.

Class Information

Robin class

Writer of the Week - Luke for producing a fantastic adjective word list which he created independently. Marvellous Mathematician - Honey for brilliant measuring skills using a ruler. Reading Rockstar - Violet for great phonics learning and application with Mrs Cole. Shining light - Isabelle-Mai for always being so smiley, positive and courageous!

This week we have been working towards producing our own vegetable poems. We have watched (and giggled at) Michael Rosen's 'Chocolate Cake' poem, handled different vegetables and came up with our own adjectives. We have produced a history timeline with some key knowledge about farming and our birthdates in time order. We have been really enjoying our new classroom layout and been doing some fantastic independent learning in and outside the classroom.

Woodpecker class

Writer of the week - Tommy for using a rhetorical question Marvellous Mathematician - Ida Mae for impressing Mrs Shrimpton with her subtraction Reading rockstar - Ella-Brooke for using her phonics to read new words Shining Light - Tanya for always setting an example to others by making good choices

This week we have been learning all about local rivers in the area such as the River Ouse and how this has helped to shape our human landscape and towns and cities. We also learnt about the different oceans of the world and where they are located. In maths, we begun to look at how to use the bar model to help us solve word problems.

Kingfisher class

Writer of the week - Kai for showing fantastic focus when writing up his English text this week Marvellous Mathematician - Billy for strong Mental Arithmetic.

Reading rockstar - All Y6 for working so hard on their reading comprehension test.

Shining Light - Chloe S for always setting an example to others and sharing her ideas in class

This week we have been learning a little more about the Ancient Civilisations, culminating in an exciting trip to the Norwich Castle Museum. We compared the ancient Greek olympics with the modern olympics and even designed our ancient Greek pots. In maths, we looked at adding and subtracting decimals.

Prayer for the week

Dear Lord,

We pray on Red Nose Day for those around the world in need of our prayers and support.

Amen

Meet the SENDCo - Mrs Spaul has just returned to school so the below has been delayed but will happen. I will be putting in some dates shortly for a 'come and chat with the SENDCo' so watch this space. You will not need to have an appointment, just drop in and I will have the kettle on and biscuits ready to discuss any questions or queries relating to your child and how they are getting on at school. Your child does not already need to be identified as having SEN to come along. I look forward to seeing you there.

Emma Spaul, Federation SENDCo. Please contact me at Castle Acre on 01760 755305 if you have any queries.

Message from the Executive Headteacher:

Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Head of School Sporle C of E Primary Academy Executive Headteacher
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Academy