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Friday 21st April 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Sporle Newsletter for week ending 21st April 2023**

It has been a fabulous start back to the summer term, albeit a slightly shorter week. We've been blessed with sunny weather most days and it's lovely to see our children being able to enjoy the field at lunchtimes. We hope that all of our families and community here at Sporle managed to enjoy the Easter holidays. It's been great to see how fabulously they've come back ready to learn, with a determination to do their best, and their 'thinking caps' definitely on.

Congratulations to **Castorama** for being the winning team for the Spring Term.

Castorama has won a non-school uniform day where they can come to school in their team colours (**yellow**) next Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

### **Bikeability**

This week, some of our year 3 and 4 children took part in their 'bikeability' proficiency course and enjoyed the sun whilst practising their cycling skills on the playground. The children set an excellent example in their behaviour. Well done to all those who took part; they received their badges and certificates in collective worship today.

### **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.

### **Attendance Rewards**

Attendance rates for this week ending 21st April 2023 are as follows:

Robins: 98.86%

Woodpeckers: 96.53%

Kingfishers: 90.95%

Whole school: 94.93%

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

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.

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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**

Mathematician - Nicholas for great enthusiasm in our maths learning, for always putting your hand up to discuss in mathematical conversations and independently choosing to use resources to support your learning.  
Writer - Sebastian for great independent writing in our role play 'flower shop'.  
Reader - Charlie for super phonics learning, joining in lessons with full effort and applying new sounds.  
Shining Light - Harry for always being kind to all peers, taking care of others and helping people without being asked.

What a lovely first week back in Robin Class! All of the Robin team are so proud of all the children for returning to school so well after the holidays - they all demonstrated a lot of courage. We understand it can feel a bit strange returning after a break, so please know we are here for all of our Robin children to support their emotions in school. Our phonics team was so proud of all the children during our phonics lesson on our first day back. We had a Read Write Inc visitor who observed some lessons and the children all did brilliantly and learning behaviours were fantastic. Keep up the great work Robins!

### **Woodpecker class**

In Woodpeckers this week, we've been off to an absolutely flying start in our new topic on kings, queens and castles and they've loved learning a little more about some of our key monarchs along with the origins of the castle in Britain. In maths, we've recapped our methods for the four operations and they've blown me away with how much they've remembered. Well done everyone!

Certificates:

Reader of the week: Lucy for thinking like a detective

Marvellous Mathematician - Adhanaa for super written methods in the four operations

Writer of the Week - Lennie for challenging himself with new vocabulary

Shining Light - Sienna for a fabulous attitude to her learning

### **Kingfisher class**

The children in Kingfisher class have made an excellent start to the summer term. In maths the children have been learning about percentages if they are in Y5 or 6 and money if in Y4. In English, the children have started learning how to write stories which include dialogue which conveys character or moves the action on while in science the children have completed an investigation relating to air resistance.

Certificates this week went to:

Reader of the week - Ava for having the confidence to read aloud to the Y6 group

Marvellous Mathematician - Elizabeth for completing holiday challenges and for greater confidence in her own abilities

Writer of the Week - Lacey for her superb portfolio of Y6 writing

Shining Light - Ronnie for being a superstar

### **Prayer for the week**

### **Meet the SENDCo**

The date for Meet the Senco will be **3rd May at 9:30am**. 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:**

It has been lovely to see everyone again this week and we are looking forward to a busy Summer term with some super trips and opportunities for our children, including sporting, dramatic and artistic.

**Teacher strikes;**

As you know, the situation has not yet been resolved and strikes continue. We will confirm for you by Monday at the latest the situation for each class but so that you can make arrangements, please note:

It is highly likely that all classes will be closed.

**Scabies;**

Please be aware that Scabies is prevalent in Norfolk currently.

Scabies is a contagious skin condition caused by tiny mites that burrow into the skin. The main symptom of scabies is intense [itching](#) that's worse at night. It also causes a skin rash on areas where the mites have burrowed.

The main symptoms of scabies are intense itching and a rash in areas of the body where the mites have burrowed.

The [itching](#) is often worse at night, when your skin is warmer. It may take 4 to 6 weeks before the itching starts because this is how long it takes for the body to react to mite droppings.

Symptoms will start within 1 to 2 days if you've had a scabies infection in the past. This is because your immune system will have learned to respond to a scabies infection.

Thank you as always for your support and partnership,



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