

Diocese of Norwich Education and Academies Trust

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Friday 5th May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Sporle Newsletter for week ending 5th May 2023

Well today was an exciting day to bring in the Bank Holiday weekend as some of our children were invited to represent our school on Good Morning Britain for ITV. They represented the school beautifully and showed courage appearing on camera. Congratulations to those children and all of the children at Sporle whose work was on display. We hope that our families and friends here at Sporle have some exciting plans to enjoy celebrating the official coronation of our new King and have a restful long weekend.

Sats Week

Next week is the week our Year 6 children will sit their National Curriculum tests. We wish them the best of luck. In order to settle any nerves on the mornings of the SATS, we would like to invite the Y6 children to a shared breakfast just before school each morning. Each morning from 8:30am, the Y6 children can meet Miss Willgress in the hall for some toast or cereal and some juice. Children attending can enter the school via the side door to the hall. Children who would prefer not to come to the breakfast club can come to school at the usual time through the side door to the classroom.

We ask our other children to support their year 6 friends by moving around the school quietly.

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 5th May 2023 are as follows: Robins: 99.35% Woodpeckers: 98.41% Kingfishers: 89.66% Whole school: 95.03% Well done to Robin 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

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.

Robin class

Marvellous Mathematician - Adaline for using nature to make shapes outdoors. Reading Rockstar - Violet for amazing presentation and always doing her best in phonics. Writer of the Week - Fearne for brilliant presentation in Literacy. Shining Light - Luke for being helpful and a good friend to the class.

This week the Robin class have been learning about halves in maths. In science, they begun to learn about different types of bees and they've loved spending more time learning about the Royal family ahead of the coronation of King Charles. They enjoyed writing a piece of writing today about what they've found out.

Woodpecker class

Marvellous Mathematician - Tommy for impressing Mrs Joplin with his number skills Reading Rockstar - Harrison for beautiful clarity reading out loud Writer of the week - Henry for challenging himself to write at home Shining Light - Skye for always setting an example to others and being kind

This week the Woodpecker class have enjoyed making crowns to celebrate the coronation of King Charles. In history, they enjoyed learning more about the Battle of Hastings and the different contenders to the throne. In writing we started our explanation texts all about the medieval trebuchet.

Kingfisher class

This week in Kingfisher class the children have spent quite a lot of time learning about King Charles III's coronation on Saturday. They have all impressed me with their free-hand drawing skills and have produced some wonderful artwork, some of which was put on display for the Good Morning Britain broadcast on Friday morning. A big thank you to our Parents/Carers who brought their children in at the crack of dawn for this! In addition to this, the children have learnt about coronations over the last 1000 years. Using the historical lens of continuity and change, the children discussed how coronations have changed over the centuries and how they have remained the same.We even discussed some predictions for what we will see on Saturday!

Certificates this week were awarded to:

Writer of the Week - Ella Rose for the effort she has continued to put into her Aladdin story Shining Light - JD for focus and participation in lessons, especially English and Maths

Prayer for the week

Dear God,

We pray that you keep us and our families safe this bank holiday and beyond.

Amen

Message from our Executive Headteacher

School day;

As you know, we like children to arrive at school for 8.40am. This is to make you aware that by September 2024, this will be our compulsory start time with our finish time of 3.10.

Attendance Policy;

Please read our attendance policy and in particular note the section that is clear that from September we will have the option to fine families for poor attendance. Circumstances in which we will consider fining could be repeated term time holidays, so please do bear this in mind for next year and avoid booking these. Every day really genuinely does count for our children's learning, experience, social and emotional growth. Thank you for your support.

A big thank you to all our staff for organising various activities to celebrate the Coronation weekend, and a special congratulations to our Sporle children who were on Good Morning Britain this morning! Have lovely Bank holiday weekend and see you all on Tuesday.

Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

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