

Narborough Newsletter for week ending 8th December 2023

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well... Christmas joy will soon be upon us all and before we know it, the jolly old man in the red suit will be struggling once more down our chimneys! In anticipation of children wishing to send each other season's greetings, we have installed a Christmas postbox by the office for them to pop cards into and a delivery team from Otters will ensure a first class delivery to each class. Please just ensure that your child writes the recipient's first and last names and class on the envelope and posts them into the postbox so that they can find their way to the children they were intended for. We have all taken part in our regular online Safety Awareness Day on Monday and the children have been learning valuable lessons on how to keep safe in this digital world. EYFS and KS1 learned how to stay safe from Smartie the Hedgehog and KS2 worked on the wider implications of being online. Please keep regularly asking your children about how they keep themselves safe and who they can trust online.

Upcoming Events next week

See Diary Dates for details.....

- 11th December, Height and Weight Rec/Y6 plus vision and hearing for Reception only.
- 14th December - PTFA Disco 5 - 6:30 pm
- 15th December - Carols around the tree, followed by the draw of the raffle.



Reminders and Information.....

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator (SENDCo)

Every child needs individual support at some time in their education. A SENDCo supports class teachers with early identification and intervention for children with special educational needs and is a useful contact for families who have any concerns about their child's development. Our SENDCo is Mrs Spaul and from January she will be available in school on Tuesday mornings for you to book a slot to chat about any concerns you have about your child's needs, whether they have a diagnosis of additional needs or you are just concerned that they may have needs. If you wish to pop in and see Mrs Spaul, please contact the office or your child's teacher to book a time with her.

Lunchtime Awards

Congratulations to Fearne and Elsie for earning this award.

ICS Clubs

The last ICS clubs before Christmas will be next week, (commencing 11th December). They will re-start the week of 8th January 2024. A link has been sent out to all families, if you wish to enrol your child for clubs in the Spring first half term. ICS run a Football Club on Tuesdays, a Dance Club on Wednesdays and a Multi-Sports Club on Thursdays. All clubs run from 3:10 to 4:15pm and cost £3.50 per session, payable directly to ICS.

Nativity

A reminder that the Christmas Nativity Performance for Hedgehogs and Squirrels children will be on Tuesday, 19th December at 2:00pm in the school hall. Each child in Hedgehogs and Squirrels will bring home 2 tickets. If you are unable to use the tickets, please return them to the class teacher who can then redistribute them. There will be refreshments afterwards to help fundraising for the PTFA. All families are welcome to attend the refreshments.

Attendance Awards w/e 01/12/23.

Class	%
Hedgehogs	88.89
Squirrels	98
Foxes	100
Otters	97.41
Whole School	97.41

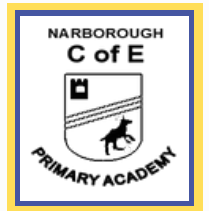
Well done to:

Foxes for not only achieving the highest attendance last week but with 100%.
Keep it up!





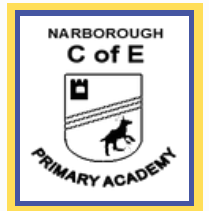
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Hedgehogs Class	Award	Goes to...	For.....
	Reader of the week	Eliza	Recognising lots of key words in reading and sounding out words she does not know.
	Writer of the week	Elizabeth 	Working hard on sounding out words and using finger spaces so that her writing can be read.
	Mathematician of the week 	Kitt	Superb effort to independently write all single-digit numbers.
	Shining Light 	Matilda	Enthusiastic engagement in Physical Education lessons.
	Reads at home 	Well done to	Blake and Lilly for achieving 50 reads at home.

Squirrels Class	Award	Goes to...	For.....
	Reader of the week	Joey	Enthusiasm for reading and great decoding skills
	Writer of the week	Isla 	Incredible work applying phonics to independently write a sentence
	Mathematician of the week 	Scarlett	Confidently 'adding more' in our maths quiz
	Shining Light 	Oliver B	Having a wonderful way of making others smile with his humour and kindness
	Tackling Tables		Getting so close, don't stop practising!
Reads at home 	Well done to	Jack for his 25 reads	







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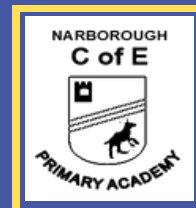
Foxes Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Isabelle	Enthusiasm in home reading
Writer of the week	Luna 	Working hard to improve her handwriting
Mathematician of the week 	Logan	Using his times tables knowledge to multiply by 10
Shining Light 	Finley	Being kind to others when they need it
Tackling Tables	Well done to:	Bow, Chloe, Isla-Rose, Finley, Oaklie, Amelia
Reads at home	Well done to:	None this week, keep going! 



Otters Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Sophie	demonstrating a good understanding of events in our class novel.
Writer of the week 	Theo T	including some fantastic formal vocabulary in his sentences.
Mathematician of the week 	Rosie	absolutely flying in maths this week!
Shining Light 	Oscar	working incredibly hard even when he was under the weather.
Tackling Tables	Well done to:	Izabel. Paige, Esme, Fearne, Nicole, Oscar and Elsie for earning Tackling tables certificates this week.
Reads at home 	Well done to:	Dylan and Nicole for achieving 50 reads at home. Paige for achieving 75 reads at home.



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Safeguarding

There has been an e-safety warning given by Norfolk Police regarding WhatsApp.

Please be aware that there is a WhatsApp group called "Add Everyone you Know" which has been reported to contain indecent images. Norfolk Police are investigating this group and have urged parents to check their children's WhatsApp, as well as checking their camera roll/images or videos sent via WhatsApp as these can be automatically saved without your child's knowledge.

If any further evidence is found as a result of checking your child's devices, please contact Norfolk Police.

Message from the Executive Headteacher....

We are delighted to announce that our Narborough Nursery, Hedgehogs, is now officially ready to open, as we have gained approval from the relevant bodies. We will be opening in January, with 15 places available to come into a mixed Nursery and Reception class for children aged 3 and 4. More details will follow, but for now, if you have any queries at all, please ask Mrs Dunkley or myself, or if you or someone you know would like to apply for a place, please do give us a ring. We already have children on the list for a place, which is very positive. At this time, we anticipate starting with a small number and growing.

I did a lovely Collective Worship today with the whole Federation, where we talked about growth mindset, breaking large tasks down into small, achievable steps and also using that strong mindset to tackle things that we believe need addressing - in other words, courageous advocacy. Please let us know if your child has a cause that they are working for.

Narborough Parent/Teacher/Friend Association (PTFA)

We have received £1,000 from Tesco Tokens collected at Swaffham Tesco and this will be put towards outdoor play equipment for the children as per the application. Thank you for your votes, this money is a huge help.

Thank you for buying raffles tickets. We ask that you please return any money and completed raffle stubs to school by Wednesday, 13th December at the latest. The raffle prizes will be drawn after our Carols Around The Tree service on Friday, 15th December.

Christmas Disco tickets are still on sale for £1 and children can only gain entry to the disco with a ticket bought in advance. No admission without a ticket.

Prayer for the Week

Dear God,
Thank you for helping us learn from our mistakes.
Thank you for our homes, food and families.
Please help us to have more confidence and bring us more hope so we can believe in ourselves.

Amen

By George-Henry Year 5 Otters



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

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