

Sporle Newsletter for week ending 7th November 2025

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and carers,

Thank you for a lovely first week back after half term. We do hope you had a wonderful and restful half term break with your families. It's been an exciting week here at Sporle. Our youngest children in the Robins class went on their first school trip of the year to High Lodge Adventure Park and had a wonderful day. For our reception children this was their first ever school trip. How exciting! Our Woodpecker class had a great start to the week when their classroom was turned into the tomb of Tutankhamun and they had to crawl through the tunnels with torches. They saw lots of treasure. Our Kingfisher class have begun their swimming lessons this week and impressed their adults with bravery in the water. A small reminder that as the fields are slippy and muddy at this time of year, could children please bring a change of footwear with them to use when outside in case of wet feet or mud.

Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

Remembrance service at the memorial 11th November - this is a short service for the children

Flu Vaccinations - 11th November
Please complete the link even if you decline

14th November - Children in Need
Wear something spotty for a small donation

27th November - Y6 Residential to Horstead Centre - parents information meeting. This takes place at CastleAcre

Reminders and Information.....



PE DAYS

On your child's PE day (see opposite), please send them to school **WEARING** their FULL PE kit (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF KINGFISHERS ON SWIMMING DAY), including trainers. Please send their school shoes and jumper/cardigan in a separate bag to change into afterwards.

**Robins -
TUESDAY and FRIDAY**

**Woodpeckers -
WEDNESDAY**

**Kingfishers -
WEDNESDAY (SWIMMING)
AND THURSDAY**

Swimming - Years 4, 5 and 6

Please remember your FULL kit including a towel. If your child does not have a towel, they can not swim

26th November
Year 6 NCMP and Year R NCMP/Vision and Hearing - more details will follow

Military Families.....

Military Club with Mrs Jary is every Thursday lunchtime in person at Narborough, but children from Sporle and Castle Acre are also going to be able to access this online in coming weeks. Come along, eat your lunch, bring a friend and chat! In future we will be 'meeting' online with our other service children at Castle Acre and Sporle. We're proud of our Service personnel and proud to support our service families. We have strong links with the RAF base and look forward to our involvement in events.

Attendance Awards.....

Class	%
Robins	96.44
Woodpeckers	96.92
Kingfishers	94.96

Well done to
Robins and
Woodpeckers
Class!





AWARDS

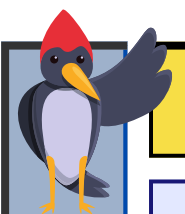
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Robins Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Yasmin	Showing excellent effort in phonics lessons
Writer of the week	Benny	Completing some excellent sentences describing our local area.
Mathematician of the week	Paddy	Impressing Miss Slegg with his knowledge
Shining Light	Lily	Trying super hard and having a positive attitude
Letting your light shine	Noah	Showing our school values on our school trip.



Woodpeckers Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Archie	for super reading in his phonics
Writer of the week	Jennifer	for working hard on her writing
Mathematician of the week	Layla	for working hard on maths at home
Shining Light	Violet	for always producing work of high standard



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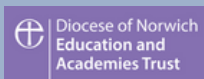
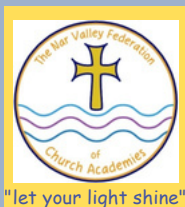
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Kingfishers Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the Week	 Jamie	Fluent and confident reading when reading to Miss Willgress
Writer of the Week	Teddy	Lovely writing about our school trip to Norwich Castle
Mathematician of the Week	 Nicholas	Wonderful work on the links between addition and subtraction
Shining Light	Tommy	Always being 'a ray of light' in the classroom





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Help with online safety::



The CEOP website, run by the National Crime Prevention agency, gives helpful advice about when and how to report your concern.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Get-help/Reporting-an-incident/>



See these links for further information, games and tips:

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/4_7/
https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/
<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>



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Safeguarding

Have a look at [this article](#) about reading news online and the impact on children and young people:

Healthy mind, healthy body

I found a very interesting piece of research from Loughborough University this week, which links absence from school and children's mental health.

Absences from school contribute significantly to children experiencing mental health issues (measured as hospital attendance with a mental health condition diagnosis or stress-related presentation)

The probability of a child experiencing mental ill health rises from 1.82% with no absence to 3.7% with 20% absence, and to 5.27% with 30% absence

The impact is greater for children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) support, chronic health conditions, or an Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan

The relationship is two-way: children with a mental health condition miss almost three times more school (16% of sessions) than those without (6%)

Message from the Executive Headteacher....

Following our attendance monitoring letters from before half-term, we want to thank the vast majority of our families whose children's attendance is excellent (96%+). Just a plea regarding holidays - please firstly try and avoid term-time holidays, try and reduce the number of days missed to three or less and try and cross over a weekend to limit the impact on that week's work. Please also ensure that we know about these because otherwise the children are in such an awkward position, and this is not fair for them. We can authorise in certain circumstances and are far more likely to do so if you have carried out the above steps. The impact of term-time holidays, particularly missing most of a week, is huge - I checked this half-term, and of the children whose attendance is classed as Persistent Absenteeism due to a holiday, are below where they need to be in their learning. This means holidays in term time, particularly where a family does this every year, are preventing the children achieving well. Please think about this before you book term-time holidays,

Don't forget the online safety training package for Parents/Carers that we've bought you all:

You can login [here](#).

Username: narvalley.parents
Password: MidnightBrainsIdeally90

Friends of Sporle School (FOSS).....

Watch this space for things coming up.

Prayer for the Week....



Dear God,

We remember the brave people and animals. We have the poppies to remember.

Amen

by Logan, Robins Class



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Head of School
Sporle C of E Primary Academy

Executive Headteacher
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Castle Acre, Narborough and Sporle C of E Primary Academy