



## Castle Acre Newsletter for week ending 4th July 2025

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Anne Neary  
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Dear Parents/Carers

My word it has been a busy week! I would like to take the opportunity to thank every member of staff for everything they have done this week, especially Miss Howman who has managed to successfully negotiate a mountain of paperwork whilst still doing all of her other secretarial tasks! We really couldn't run the school without you!

I hear that Year 5 have had a fabulous residential. Mrs Neary and Mrs Harris have been incredibly proud of our children as am I. They have shown courage and resilience taking part in all the activities and staying away from home.

Your child's report will be coming home with them tonight. I would like to say a huge well done to our marvellous children for every single effort they have put in. No matter their journey, every single child has something to be proud of. Year 6 SATs results will be issued on Tuesday and we will inform you of these shortly after.

Just a couple of weeks left and lots happening so please keep a eye on the dates and we will do our very best to prompt you with messages.

### Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

Monday 7th July - TNHA Y6 Transition Day

Tuesday 8th July - TNHA Y6 Transition Day,  
ICS Football Club for Rec-Y6, 3.15 - 4.15pm

6 - 6.30pm, Head and Deputy Head Pupils invited to Governors' Meeting at Sporle

Wednesday 9th July - 1.30 to 2.30pm New Reception pupils and parents to visit Rowan Class

Premier Education Summer Sports Club for Rec - Y6, 3.15 - 4.15pm.

Thursday 10th July - Speed Kick Challenge Prize Giving Assembly for pupils  
1.45 to 2.45pm New Reception pupils to visit Rowan Class

Friday 11th July - 9.30 - 11.30am New Reception pupils in Rowan Class on their own.

1pm NVF Sports Day Finals at TNHA - parents to take pupils from school at 12.30pm and return approx 2.30pm.

### Attendance Awards w/e 4/7/2025

Class	%
Rowan	97.27
Whitebeam	97.08
Oak	93.21

The winner of the Attendance Award this week is ir Rowan class again, but only just ahead of Whitebeam. Come on Oak, must do better!



### Reminders and Information.....

#### Payments on Arbor

We understand that sometimes it's difficult to keep track of payments for various events. However, if we do not receive all of the payments in advance for clubs and trips, it means we are unable to cover the cost of them which could affect having them in the future. We appreciate your support as always. If we do not make the income we are predicted to - ie if not every parent pays - then it could mean losing things from next year's budget that the children have had this year, so please do your bit and pay. Thank you.

#### Transition Week Monday 7th - Friday 11th July

Pupils will be in new classes where applicable this week.

Please see the separate letter to Parents/Carers regarding Classes and Staffing for 2025/26 emailed with the newsletter.

#### Castle Acre Primary School Sponsored Fun Run on Wednesday 9th July at school

Pupils have been given a flyer with further information about the Fun Run and a sponsor form this week. Entry for the Fun Run is £1 and for that pupils will receive a medal for taking part.

Start thinking about your fancy dress costume for the run!

**Before School Care** is available Mon - Fri from 8am to 8.40am at £2 per session.

**After School Care** is available Mon - Fri 3.10pm to 4.30pm at £6 per session.

**Tuck Shop** - Wednesday and Friday morning break - 40p per day





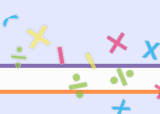
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**Rowan Class**

**Whitebeam Class**

Award	Goes to...	For..... 
Reader of the week	Tobias	For super fluent reading in phonics.
Writer of the week 	Inika	For super presentation when writing her reflections of the year. 
Mathematician of the week	Tyler	For great understanding of sharing.
Shining Light	Lexi Ava	For being super helpful tidying our classroom. For great participation during a music workshop.
Reads at home		None this week.

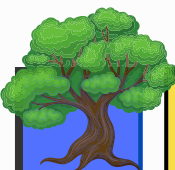
Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Stan	for super reading in class
Writer of the week	Ivar	for demonstrating increased stamina when writing
Mathematician of the week 	Isla B	for great work on Tackling Tables
Shining Light	Isla P Etta	for always volunteering to help in any way she can for always demonstrating all of our school values
Tackling Tables 	Toby Isla B Skyla Finlay Etta Oscar Sybil	Florence Ella Ivar Gracie-Mae Tia Oliver P for blue and purple phase
Reads at home	None this week	







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Oak Class

Award	Goes to...	For..... 
Reader of the week	Rowan	Reading aloud to the class and a visitor.
Writer of the week 	Isla	Using creative and emotive language in her flashback.
Mathematician of the week	Finley	expertly manipulating fractions. 
Shining Light 	Pearl Alexander	engaging with staff on the cathedral trip. showing enthusiasm for learning in foundation subjects.
Reading Stars	Max Molly Harry	300 reads 75 reads 75 reads
Tackling Tables		



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## Help with online safety::



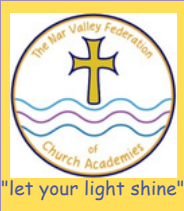
The CEOP website, run by the National Crime Prevention agency, gives helpful advice about when and how to report your concern.

***<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/4_7/)***  
***[https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8\\_10/](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/)***  
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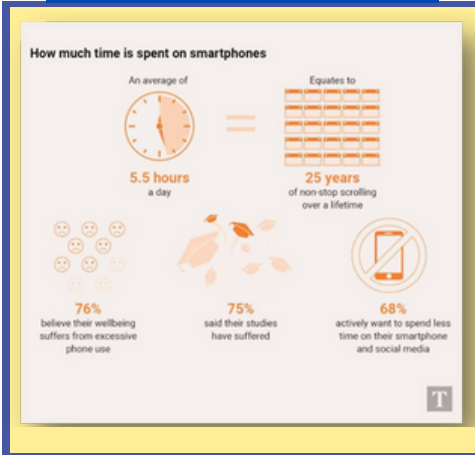
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### Safeguarding.....

Some thoughts about  
smartphone use from  
research in  
'The Times'



### Message from the Executive Headteacher....



As we approach the end of term, and at the end of three busy and fantastic residentials, I want to take a moment to thank our staff.

We have taken Y4, 5 and 6 across the Federation on residential visits this year, giving them the chance to kayak, shelter build, river dip, climb, abseil, zip wire, bat walk, act in a play, do super challenges, light their own fire and cook their own tea, make beautiful costumes and learn a Shakespeare play.

To do this takes not only the staff to go along, giving up time with their families, but the unseen heroes are the office team, who work so hard to ensure everything goes smoothly. I offer my huge thanks to them as they don't ever get to see the absolutely magical moments for our children to residentials - and indeed trips during the school day - create.

Thank you to all our wonderful staff.

### Friends of Castle Acre School (FOCAS).....

**END OF YEAR DISCO - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

**Are you or do you know of anyone who can do face painting? We want to offer it to the children for their end of year disco. If so please contact the Friends on 07825229345, thank you.**

### Healthy mind, healthy body

Summer holiday competition - we will be running a competition for our children to design a poster to promote having a healthy mind...so get your thinking caps on!

### Prayer for the Week....



Dear God

Thank you for your flowers, thank you for friends and family

Amen

By: Isla B

Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Head of School  
Castle Acre C of E Primary Academy

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