

Narborough Newsletter for week ending 14th November 2025

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of Anti-bullying week, we children have utilised their super-power of speaking up if they witness any mean moments. In preparation for Children in Need, we have all been learning the Strictly 25 step dance challenge 5 steps at a time to hopefully complete the whole dance by Friday.

What a busy week it has been! All the children participated beautifully at our Remembrance service on Tuesday.

News from classes:

Hedgehogs: We've enjoyed reading books about Little Red Riding Hood. We also enjoyed art because we made poppies.

Squirrels: We have enjoyed learning how to write in past and present tense and making wreaths in our busy learning.

Foxes: In maths, we have enjoyed adding 2, 3 and 4-digit numbers on a number line. We also enjoyed learning to pass in football.

Otters: We have enjoyed learning how to use blanket stitch in D&T and learning how to swim on our front.

Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

Flu Vaccinations: Wednesday 19th Nov
please check your emails for more information

Thursday 20th November

Festive film night.

Email with information sent separately.

3.30pm-5.30pm

£2.50 tickets from office

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

10th December Jack & the Beanstalk
Pantomime

Please complete the consent forms previously sent.



Reminders and Information.....

Remembrance Service

On Tuesday, our children participated in our Remembrance service. The children from our Military Club (Forces Families) wrote and read a prayer, Otters class performed the poem 'In Flanders Fields' and each class had created a poppy themed work of art to lay at the war memorial. We also held the two minute silence. The children were incredibly respectful and well-behaved. Well done everyone!



KS2 Swimming Year 4, 5 and 6.

Wednesday's until Wednesday 10th December.

Please ensure your child has their full swimming kit

This year, Christmas jumper day will be on the same day as Christmas Lunch. We will be sending a form and Menu from next week

After School Club with Miss Gorman

Monday: Computing

Tuesday: Building and colouring

Wednesday: Cooking

Thursday: Outdoor games

Friday: Games and crafts

Limited places available so please do sign up quickly if your child would like to come.

Military Families.....

Military Club with Mrs Jary is every Thursday lunchtime. 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.

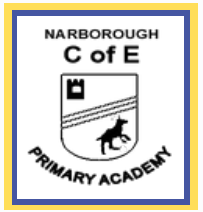
Attendance Awards -w/e 14/11/25

| Class | % |
|--------------|--------|
| Hedgehogs | 96.2% |
| Squirrels | 97.1% |
| Foxes | 96.2% |
| Otters | 98.2 |
| Whole School | 96.97% |

Well done to
OTTERS Class!!!

Well done everyone!





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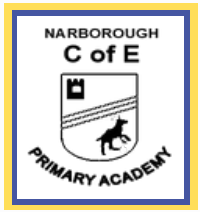
Hedgehogs Class

| Award | Goes to... | For..... |
|--|--------------|---|
| Reader of the week | Rocco | great recall of sounds and always trying his best |
| Writer of the week  | Cody | Super effort in letter formation |
| Mathematician of the week | Sophia | Fantastic reasoning to explain more or less |
| Shining Light | Elliot | Becoming more confident during class discussions  |
| Reads at home | Well done to | Joyce for 25 reads |



Squirrels Class

| Award | Goes to... | For..... |
|--|--------------------------|--|
| Reader of the week | Casey | fantastic reading in his phonics group. |
| Writer of the week  | Blake | thoughtful writing in the present tense. |
| Mathematician of the week | Kyron | eagerly contributing in his extra maths sessions. |
| Shining Light | Sophie | captain of her own learning and showing independence. |
| Reads at home | Brodee Emma Edward | 25 reads 50 reads 50 reads  |



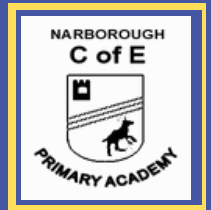
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| Reader of the week | Ronnie | a great summary on the opening pages of 'Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx'. |
| Writer of the week | Skylar | some independent sentences about mummification. |
| Mathematician of the week | Slayter | accurately using a numberline to add two 2-digit numbers. |
| Shining Light | Isla | always putting in 100% effort, particularly in her amazing writing this week. |
| Tackling Tables | Well done to | Arthur, Jaxson, Scarlett, Athea, Braydon, Charlotte, Esme, Danny, Pavitha |
| Reads at home | Well done to | Oliver B - 50, Slayter - 50, Charlotte - 50, Athea - 25 & 50, Jasper - 25, Reggie - 25 |



| Award | Goes to... | For..... |
|---------------------------|--------------|---|
| Reader of the week | Harrison | Writing a clear explanation about the author's use of language |
| Writer of the week | Isabelle | thinking carefully about vocabulary choice and considering the impact on the reader. |
| Mathematician of the week | Ellie-May | for always listening and actively participating in maths lessons |
| Shining Light | Arthur | demonstrating courage, perseverance and determination during swimming this week. Well done! |
| Tackling Tables | Well done to | None this week- keep practising at home. |
| Reads at home | Well done to | Isabelle-50, Logan-50, James-25, Ellie-25 & Ruben-25 |



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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/
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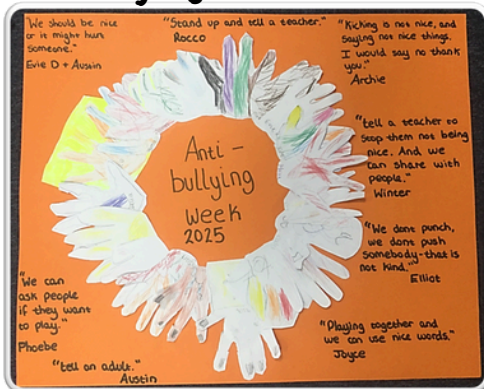


Safeguarding

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

Anti-bullying week:



Healthy mind, healthy body

Being outside really helps our bodies AND our minds. Lots of local landmarks, parks, forests and walks are free to use, so can you spend some time outdoors this weekend?

Message from the Executive Headteacher....

I want to thank all our Head Pupils and their families who attended the Remembrance service in our communities last Sunday. I went along to Narborough (Castle Acre last year and Sporle next year!) and it was a moving, thought-provoking service. Thank you to Lexi and Sophie at Narborough, Fletcher, Holly and Rosanna at Castle Acre and Skye, Ella-Brooke and Lucy at Sporle.

The community members and celebrants were very impressed with all our children - well done Head Pupils!

Governor recruitment - we would really like to have a parent Governor from Sporle and Narborough. (We have one from Castle Acre) The role has changed recently, and is now focusing on our ethos and Christian distinctiveness. It isn't hard, you don't need to read lots of papers, you don't need to be available during the day to do the job and there aren't lots of meetings. We meet 4 times during the year, currently on a Tuesday evening 6pm-7.30pm. Please consider this and ask either myself or our clerk, who is our secretary at Castle Acre, Miss Karen Howman, any questions you might have. Thank you in advance!

Just to let you know that some parents still owe for trips that have taken place. Unfortunately, if the debts are not settled, then we will not be able to arrange any further trips for that class, as we have no budget to fund these and are reliant on each person paying their bit, as well as our small but mighty Friends/PTFA groups who fund some of the travel.

Narborough Parent/Teacher/Friend Association (PTFA)

We desperately need some volunteers to help us run a few fundraising events.
Film night: Thursday 20th November (3:30 -5:30)
School disco: Thursday 11th December (5:00-6:30)
If you think you may be able to lend a hand, or have any other fundraising ideas, please contact the Mrs Howe in the office, Mrs Hamilton or Miss Maskell. Thank you.

Prayer for the Week

Dear God,

Thank you for the oceans and the creatures in it. Thank you for the food we eat.
Thank you for teachers that teach us. Thank you for the world around us.

Amen

By Bella



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Miss Christina Maskell
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