

Narborough Newsletter for week ending 31st January 2025

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and Carers,

At the time of typing this, I have been reflecting on how quiet school has been for me today. Our year 6 children have been on their residential at Horstead this week and have been missed. I am sure they have had an absolutely amazing time and I look forward to hearing all of their stories. I hope they aren't too tired on their return!

News from the classes:

Hedgehogs: We have enjoyed making cards for Chinese New Year, trying some Chinese food and playing with the dragon.

Squirrels: Mrs Jary would like to thank all of Squirrels Class for being helpful and amazing while she has worked with them. She has enjoyed learning about all the different topics they are currently working on.

Foxes: We enjoyed using base ten and counters to help us with our maths and writing our persuasive letters.

Otters: The year 5s have enjoyed researching about Chinese New Year, making posters and planning activities to deliver to Hedgehogs class on Friday.

Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....



If you've considered a teaching career, UEA is holding information sessions where you can learn more about how to train to teach Primary or Secondary schoolchildren. The events will take place on UEA's campus, and are open to anyone.

GCE Primary Teacher Training Information Session (3-11 yrs) - 1 February from 9:30 - 12:30. The **PGCE Secondary Teacher Training Information Session (11-16 yrs) - 27 February from 16:00 - 19:00**

Further details can be found [here](#).

- 6th February - Space Day for Reception Class.

Reminders and Information.....

Congratulations to Emma J for being awarded the lunchtime award this week for overall fantastic behaviour at Lunchtimes.

Reminder:

Please can parents refrain from driving into the car park when dropping children off/picking them up. We have had a couple of near-misses reported to us. Please help us to ensure that all our children are safe at these busy times of day.

Dates to remember:

6th February - Space Day for Reception class (held at Sporle Primary Academy) - details have been sent to Parents/Carers.

14th February - last day of school for half term break.

4th March - Year 6 - Crucial Crew trip

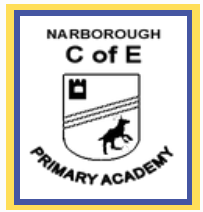
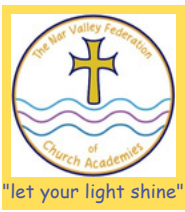
Attendance Awards - w/e 24/01/25

Class	%
Hedgehogs	98.76
Squirrels	94.55
Foxes	93.89
Otters	95.56
Whole School	95.55

Well done to:

Well done Hedgehogs class for the best attendance last week.





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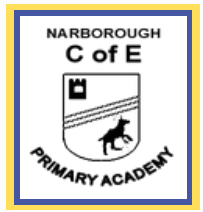
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Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Lottie	Brilliant reading in your head
Writer of the week	Elliot	recognising and writing letters of your name
Mathematician of the week	Esmae	Super accurate counting of jumps to 20
Shining Light	Arabella	Always trying her best and being a good friend to others
Reads at home	Well done:	To Lottie for 25 reads and Edward for 100 reads



Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Blake	for using his reading skills and fluency across all lessons
Writer of the week	Ronnie	for presenting beautiful neat writing when writing up his non chronological report
Mathematician of the week	Ethan	for getting on and working hard when learning about money
Shining Light	Jasper	for showing wisdom in his learning, joining in on the carpet and being an excellent role model
Tackling Tables		None this week.
Reads at home	Well done:	to Arthur and Joey for 100 reads



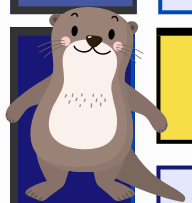
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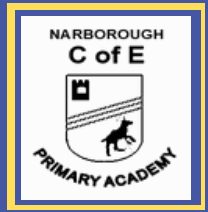
Foxes Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Samuel	some lovely reading and discussion about a text with Miss Cargill
Writer of the week 	Ruben	for enthusiasm and engagement with our persuasive writing
Mathematician of the week 	Thea	for persevering with flexible partitioning and being able to explain to others.
Shining Light	James	for an improved attitude towards his learning, particularly his phonics and writing.
Tackling Tables	Leo, Reggie	Leo - Red multiplication, Green multiplication Reggie - Green multiplication 
Reads at home	Well done to	James for 75 reads and Bow for 75 reads



Otters Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week 	Khloe	Applying her retrieval skills very effectively when researching Chinese New Year.
Writer of the week	Theo	Fantastic imaginative ideas to create descriptive phrases to describe a setting. 
Mathematician of the week	Sienna	Good progress in her arithmetic. Keep up the good work!
Shining Light 	Amelia	Superb ideas and organisation when planning educational activities for younger children. A potential teacher in the making...
Reads at home 	Well done to	Isabella for achieving 50 reads at home. Logan G for achieving 100 reads at home.



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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

Online Safety survey:

I do appreciate that we have had a number of short surveys recently, but I would be very grateful to Parents/Carers for filling out our annual (and quite short) online safety survey that will be coming out soon. This helps us identify any areas that we need particularly to support through our curriculum, areas that you may need support with and also how effective our work to support has been. Many thanks

Could I also remind Parents/Carers that our staff work hard for your children and should always be treated with respect. Happily, incidences of this nature are very rare, but when they happen they upset staff.

Message from the Executive Headteacher....



Norfolk SENDIASS January Spotlight

For free online information and training for parents and carers, please click [here](#)

Free Cyber security webinars

To access a national programme co-ordinated by the National Crime Agency, click [here](#). The webinars are delivered by Cyber Choices teams within Regional Organised Crime Units and Local Police Force Cyber Teams.



Well I have had a wonderful residential with Y6 this week! Highlights include watching children challenging themselves to go further than they thought they could, their excellent teamwork, lovely manners and the Horstead Centre staff saying that our children were a real joy to be with - which all the staff heartily agree.

We have also been responding to feedback from our Parents'/Carers' Forum, which was to ensure the dates sheet went further ahead into the school year. Thank you for that feedback and we hope this helps.

Narborough Parent/Teacher/Friend Association (PTFA)

We desperately need new members to join us to support our fundraising efforts. Without your support, we will be unable to run popular events such as the discos. This will also mean that we won't have the funds to subsidise the cost of school trips, which will increase the cost to parents. We are a friendly bunch and will appreciate any support you can offer. Please get in touch with the office or Miss Maskell if you can offer to help. Thank you.



Prayer for the Week

Dear God,

Please make sure that people stop littering in the sea. Also make sure that people put their rubbish in the bin.

Amen



from Paige

Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Miss Christina Maskell
Narborough C of E Primary Academy

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