

Narborough Newsletter for week ending 21st November 2025

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A huge thank you to all who helped us raise an impressive £67 for Children in Need last week- your donations really will help make a difference to those in need. This week, many children received their flu vaccinations in school. The nurse who was administering them was very impressed with our 'lovely pupils' and the 'welcoming atmosphere' of the school. It is always lovely when a visitor to our school recognises what we know are great strengths of our lovely school. I would also like to thank all the adults and children who supported our film night on Thursday. It was great to see so many of you there, helping to raise money to reduce the cost of trips for everyone.

News from classes:

Hedgehogs: We've enjoyed making porridge, drawing Goldilocks and the three bears and learning about woodland animals.
Squirrels: We had great fun producing digital paintings on computers, and writing letters as Walter Tull.
Foxes: We enjoyed learning and writing about mummification and learning how sound is made in Science.
Otters: We have enjoyed writing our sequel to UFO diary in English/ We have also enjoyed designing our soft toy in D&T.

Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

Tuesday 25th November - Reception & Year 6 NCMP/Vision and Hearing

If you wish to opt your child out of the checks, please complete the link on the email sent 11th September, thank you

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

Sporthall Athletics - 8th December
Years 5 and 6 - please complete the form to give consent, thank you

10th December Jack & the Beanstalk Pantomime
email reminder sent for consent & please log on to your Arbor and make the payment due. Thank you



Reminders and Information.....



KS2 Swimming Year 4, 5 and 6.

* Please Note as the 10th December is the same day as our pantomime our last swimming session will now be on the 17th December instead.*

Festive Meal: Email with link has been sent to complete so we can give the Kitchen the orders prior to the meal.

Christmas jumper day will be on the same day as Christmas Lunch.

Thank you for all the wonderful donations so far, but please if you have any jumpers that are too small and you are able to donate we would be very grateful.



Attendance Awards -w/e 21/11/25

| Class | % |
|--------------|--------|
| Hedgehogs | 95.6% |
| Squirrels | 96.3% |
| Foxes | 96.2% |
| Otters | 98.1 |
| Whole School | 96.97% |

Well done to OTTERS Class!!!

Well done nearly everyone!



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.

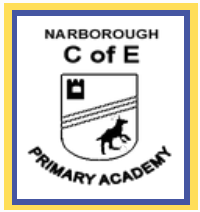
Military Families.....

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.



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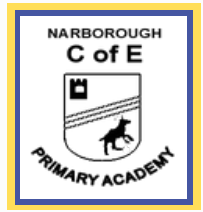
Hedgehogs Class

| Award | Goes to... | For..... |
|--|--------------|--|
| Reader of the week | Maga | Great communication when sharing a book with an adult |
| Writer of the week  | Isla | working hard with pencil control and accurately forming letters |
| Mathematician of the week | Elliot | Super speedy recongition of amounts up to 5 |
| Shining Light | Archie | Always demonstrating our values and being responsible  |
| Reads at home | Well done to | Lily for 50 reads Archie and Sophia for 75 reads |



Squirrels Class

| Award | Goes to... | For..... |
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| Reader of the week | Charley B | amazing progress in phonics |
| Writer of the week  | Joshua R | writing a thoughtful letter |
| Mathematician of the week | Brodee | working independently in most lessons this week. |
| Shining Light  | Fred | always following instructions and trying his hardest. |
| Reads at home | Joshua H Charlie L Charley B Lottie | 25 reads 25 reads 50 reads 25 reads  |



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Foxes Class

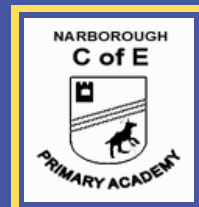


| Award | Goes to... | For..... |
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| Reader of the week | Slayter | demonstrating great understanding of Marcy's character in Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx. |
| Writer of the week | Oliver B | a very informative text on the Ancient Egyptians. |
| Mathematician of the week | Braydon | excellent application of the column addition method. |
| Shining Light | Joey | being a great member of the class who always wants to do their best. |
| Tackling Tables | Well done to | Alfie, Arthur, Jack, Jaxson, Oliver G, Ronnie and Leo. |
| Reads at home | Well done to | Oliver B - 75 reads, Joey - 50 reads, Arthur - 50 reads |

Otters Class



| Award | Goes to... | For..... |
|---------------------------|--------------|--|
| Reader of the week | Debora | Using the punctuation to aid her intonation when reading aloud. |
| Writer of the week | Isabelle | Using a range of devices within her writing (e.g. description, repetition, short sentences for impact) to add interest for the reader. |
| Mathematician of the week | Poppy | For trying her hardest |
| Shining Light | Ellie | for always being kind, polite, helpful to others and trying her best in lessons. |
| Tackling Tables | Well done to | None this week- keep practising at home. |
| Reads at home | Well done to | |



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Help with online safety::



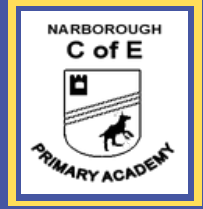
The CEOP website, run by the National Crime Prevention agency, gives helpful advice about when and how to report your concern.

<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

If your child plays on the **Roblox Game**, please watch the following really concerning video.

Message from the Executive Headteacher....



Well done to the staff and children for a super Anti-bullying week last week, which really helped children to think about their Power to Speak up and not to just watch if someone is doing the wrong thing. We reminded the children about the difference between Mean Moments and Bullying - See our poster. Have a look at the photos below of all the super learning across Nar Valley Federation during Anti-Bullying week!

We have also carried out our Pupil Voice survey, asking our children about how coming back to school in the Autumn term was, what is going well at school and what would be even better. We'll also be asking you the same questions and warmly invite you to our Parents/Carers' Forum. These are being held after our Parents/Carers' cafes later in the term - do come along if you can. We also offer an online option for working families later that evening at 6pm, so if you'd like that option, please email the office for the meeting link.

Our children responded very positively, with (delete as necessary per school Narb and SP - all three classes being very happy in school CA - with Rowan class and Whitebeam class being very happy and Oak letting us know they were feeling very unsettled at the beginning of term and half-term but that they are starting to feel better. We will obviously keep checking in with Oak class and will check again before Christmas but can see that the team of Mr Conway, Miss Sandford and Mrs Harris are doing a super job). We will feed back thoughts and feelings of the children next 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?

Narborough Parent/Teacher/Friend Association (PTFA)

We desperately need some volunteers to help us run a few fundraising events.

School disco: Thursday 11th December (5:30-6:30)

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,

Please may you help people in need and animals in need.

Amen

By Esme J



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Miss Christina Maskell
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