

Sporle Newsletter for week ending 16th May 2025

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and carers,

Thank you for a lovely week. We are incredibly proud of our wonderful year 6 children for how brave and hard working they were this week in their end of Key Stage 2 SATs tests. It is a big week knowing that all of their learning culminates in these tests and they impressed us with their great attitudes. We are also really proud of the way all of our other children cared for them and moved around the school quietly during test time or were flexible- working in different spaces whilst the tests were on. What a great team! Also, last we offered congratulations to our winners of the Swaffham Literacy Competition. This week, we have the exciting news that our top prize winner, Joel, will be having his entry sent to the King and Queen along with the other top prize winners from Swaffham. Well done Joel!

Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

Thursday 22nd May - Sporle Film Night - the link has gone out - please pay via Arbor, thank you

Friday 23rd May - last day of school

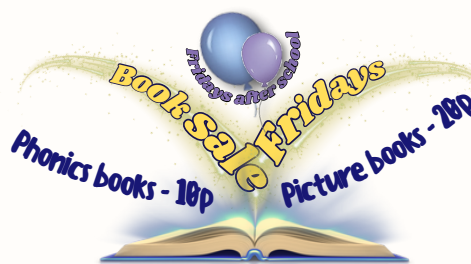
w/c 26th May - school closed for half term

Monday 2nd June - We return to school for the second part of summer term

Thursday 5th June - Year 6 swimming starts weekly

6th June - Year 5 Residential Information Evening at CastleAcre

Reminders and Information.....



Book sale Fridays

Starting next week, we will be selling a range of information, picture and phonics books. These will be available after school each week on the playground (weather permitting). All proceeds will help the school!

Year 6 Swimming

Please ensure they have the correct kit for swimming. We do not have spares in school.

Year 4 Residential

Don't forget to click the link to sign up for the residential. It is a great opportunity for your child

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.

Attendance Awards.....

Class	%
Robins	92.75%
Woodpeckers	95.47%
Kingfishers	94.34%

Oh dear everyone.....we must try harder :-)

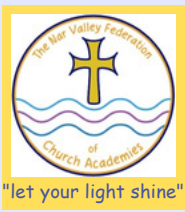


Have you had a stressful week? Do you need to relax & unwind? Then join Mrs Joplin in the hall for a drink, a chat & to clear your mind!

Drop in with Mrs Joplin



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AWARDS

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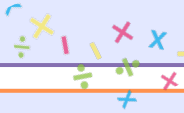


Robins Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week 	Benny	Super effort in phonics 
Writer of the week	Alfie	A super final diary entry
Mathematician of the week	Toby	Super effort in Maths 
Shining Light	Malachi	For being helpful and kind
Letting your light shine	Noah	A great attitude in phonics



Woodpeckers Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week 	Adaline	for always spotting her new sounds in her reading 
Writer of the week	Violet	for a fantastic news report 
Mathematician of the week	Piper	good problem solving
Shining Light	Dollyanna	for always working hard and listening well



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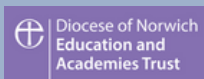
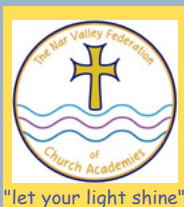
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Kingfishers Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Writer of the Week	Annie	doing a lovely story at home
Reader of the Week	Adhanaa	excellent reading at home
Mathematician of the Week	Teddy	excellent angle work
Shining Light	Pollyanna	lovely smile in class
Let Your Light Shine		none this week





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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

New Survey on Smartphones - South West Grid for Learning

The South West Grid for Learning launched a new survey this month. The survey seeks to understand the concerns, expectations and experiences that parents and carers expect to face after giving a child their first smartphone. The overall objective is to map how this milestone is seen by those charged with caring for children. This is a little understood area, despite the impact that smartphones have on children. In particular the role these devices play in introducing children to the digital world. This survey is designed to change that. With concrete insights into how families navigate this transition, the SWGL seeks to produce a support kit to help with these issues. This survey would be well worth completing, and passing on to carers and parents in your institution. If interested please follow this [link](#).

Roblox and Parental Controls - South West Grid for Learning

Roblox, the popular minecraft 'style' game has announced a new raft of parental controls. The website which ranks among the most popular games for children in the e-space, has previously been accused of possessing weak child protection tools. Their new raft of adaptations is important due to the game's position among school aged children. The new features have been adopted to allow parents to take control of their children's game time in a more comprehensive manner. Parents will now be able to block individuals who communicate with their children, as well as have more detailed oversight over their usage of the programme. Real-time awareness measures have been increased and these changes represent a big step forward in making popular multiplayer games more secure for underaged users. If interested, the South-West Grid for Learning (SWGL) has produced a comprehensive run down of these changes. Please follow this [link](#).

Healthy mind, healthy body.

Mental Health awareness;

If you are needing support in this area then a really good source of help is the [NHS website](#). They signpost you to other organisations, such as Young Minds, who are very effective.



Message from the Executive Headteacher....

Well done to all our Y6 children for facing the challenge of SATS. We're really proud of you. Y6 are now ready to work hard on their writing which gets submitted later this term.

Ahead of the second Summer half-term, can I please urge you all to remember that term-time holidays cannot usually be authorised and we continue all our curriculum work until the very last few days of term, so it is really important for our children that they don't miss out on this and other opportunities, such as Sports Day. This year we will continue with our very successful Sports Day Finals, which will be on July 11th at 1pm. If you think your child is likely to come 1st or 2nd in their races then it would be worth making a note of this date, as we ask families to take their children and watch the event.

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

Any ideas to fundraise?
Please contact a member of FOSS or drop a note into the office.

Prayer for the Week....

Dear Lord,

Please look after our loved ones and friends. Keep them safe from harm and always happy.

Amen

by Lou-Lou



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

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