

Sporle Newsletter for week ending 28th November 2025

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and carers, Thank you for another lovely week here at Sporle. With the colder and icy weather we have been having, please ensure your child has a sensible coat in school. They will need to have a coat on if they are playing outside when the temperatures drop. This week our Woodpecker children have enjoyed learning about healthy eating, our Robins have enjoyed practising for the Nativity and our Kingfisher children had great fun with the square number dance.

A change in morning routines: please note the change beginning from next Monday 1st December. When the children arrive in the morning they may come straight into their classrooms without lining up first, to come in and begin their morning activities. Please note the registration time remains the same; the school day and registration begins at 8:40.

SPORLE SING! This Sunday at 3pm at the community centre is the Sporle Sing. The community welcome you to come and join them for a festive sing along. They'd love to see you there.

Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

CHRISTMAS DISCO
Sunday, 14th December 4 - 6pm
Sporle Community Centre
£5 per child (preschool to Year 6)
Ticket includes hot dog, drinks and small gift
(payment in advance in a named envelope to the school office)
email: FriendsOfSporleschool@outlook.com
Tombola . Games and prizes
Tuck shop . Extra hot dog - £1
Glitter Tattoos & hair stand - 10p - £3
Parents responsible for their own children

See details in FOSS section below

ROBINS PARENT CAFE - 11th December
- Join your child for an afternoon of making decorations!

WOODPECKERS PARENT CAFE - 8th December

Join your child for an afternoon of making decorations!

Church Christmas Service - 17th December

Please join us at 1:30pm for a Festive service. Refreshments afterwards

Reminders and Information.....



This year, Christmas jumper day will be on the same day as Christmas Lunch.

Robins and Woodpeckers Nativity - 12th December and Monday 15th December

Tickets issued at the office

For the Monday performance we would like the children to stay and perform even if you are not attending this show. If this is a problem or you have any concerns, please inform the office

Kingfishers Singing Performance - 15th December

Tickets issued at the office

Church Events:

Fr. Christmas coming to celebrate St Nicholas' Feast day 6th at Castle Acre at 11.30am, then Narborough early afternoon.

If you would like to go along to share the celebrations, please do!

Jack and the Beanstalk - 16th December

Please note, the coach will not return to school until around 6pm due to the performance time. We will keep you updated through Arbor messaging throughout the afternoon

Could we also ask you to ensure that you take extra care to drive slowly and carefully around school; there have been some near misses lately and we don't want anyone hurt. We also don't want anyone getting cross with each other, so if there are any issues, please just let us know in school, thank you.

Headlice in school

Please check your child's hair on a regular basis for headlice and treat accordingly. Although it is impossible to prevent them, you can help to ensure we control it so it is manageable

Military Families.....

Military Club with Mrs Jary is every Thursday lunchtime in person at Narborough, but children from Sporle and Castle Acre are also going to be able to access this online in coming weeks. 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.....

Class	%
Robins	96.18
Woodpeckers	96.75
Kingfishers	94.6

Well done to Robins and Woodpeckers Class





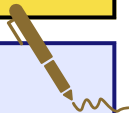


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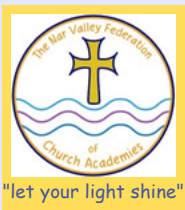
Robins Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week 	Rebekah	trying her hardest in phonics all week 
Writer of the week	Benny	super writing in his guide to Sporre 
Mathematician of the week	Lily	Showing super knowledge and understanding
Shining Light	Rishi	ALWAYS being a superstar showing our values every day.
Letting your light shine	Logan	Making the adults smile and making happy choices.



Woodpeckers Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Jonah	for using ideas from his reading to help his writing 
Writer of the week 	Violet	for an incredible diary entry
Mathematician of the week	Archie	for confidence in the column method for subtraction 
Shining Light	Ralph	for being a delight to teach 

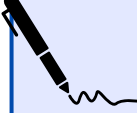


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Kingfishers Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the Week	 Lucy	An amazing Y6 Reading Assessment score
Writer of the Week	Annabelle	Working hard on her factfile about aliens
Mathematician of the Week	 Fearne	Trying very hard to improve her scores on Tackling Tables
Shining Light	Elsie	Excellent reading, writing and maths this week





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Safeguarding

Each week I get an update from the company that monitors school children and young people's online use nationally. This week they have seen and increase in:

- Use of Canva and Google Docs as informal instant messaging tools; be aware these platforms can do that!
- instances of unkind or bullying language being sent through Microsoft Teams messages. It is a really important message for children to understand that they need to be as respectful in digital learning environments as they are in person.
- an increase in Searches for 'Childline' there has been a slight rise in searches for "Childline." This could be positive, in terms of young people seeking support, but could also be a good reminder for us to check in with our children and young people - how are they feeling? do they have trusted adults to talk to and do they?

- use of AI Image Generators for Sexualised Content

The company have observed children experimenting with AI image generation tools to create sexualised content. This raises significant safeguarding concerns, particularly around exposure to inappropriate material and potential misuse of technology. Do we know what our children are doing when they are online? Are we supervising?

Healthy mind, healthy body

This week it is the turn of our children from Castle Acre to give their tips for the above:

- "I eat an apple a day!"
- "I do Maths to help my mind - if you find it hard, you enjoy doing it to give yourself a challenge"
- "If I'm sad, I go in a dark room - there are no distractions and it's good for sleeping"
- "I stop looking at devices an hour before I go to sleep...I try to!"
- "If I need a break, I go for a walk to get some fresh air"
- "I can just sit and take a break"
- "I can do some drawing to give my mind a break"

Message from the Executive Headteacher....

Thank you to everyone who has filled in our really short Autumn Parents/Carers' survey so far. We want your opinions so that we can use them to inform our work, so please do fill it in, it only takes a few minutes. Many thanks.

Thoughts from our Pupil Voice survey of the children:
How did you find being back at school this year?
What is going really well?
What would be even better?

Children at Sporle were very positive about their learning, staff in school, how they felt in school and how much fun they have. They were impressively mature, particularly Kingfishers, about their learning and suggestions. More comments next week!

Under the 'even better if' section, across the school, apart from wanting more learning (team point everyone!), the children were all really clear that they would like more equipment for the playground.

Therefore:

We have received a donation for each school of £200, which given the children's feedback above, we would like to spend on a piece of outdoor equipment. We are going to let the children at each school via their School Council decide what to spend it on, and whether they would like to try to raise some more money to make what they buy bigger.

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

Sunday 14th December 4-6pm - FOSS DISCO, Sporle Community Centre

£5 per child - all welcome including siblings
Price includes hot dog, drinks and a small present
All cash payments in named envelope to the office. No entry on door. If you prefer to pay direct, ask a member of FOSS for details



Prayer for the Week....

Dear God,
We pray that everyone is in a safe environment and is happy within it too. Enjoy family time at the weekend.

Amen

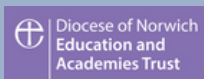
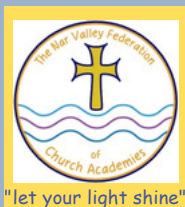
by Lou-Lou and Mrs Joplin



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

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Sporle C of E Primary Academy

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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/>