

Narborough Newsletter for week ending 5th December 2025

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The Christmas countdown has officially begun! The children in Squirrels and Hedgehogs have been busy rehearsing their nativity and the whole school have begun to practise carols to sing with parents around the Christmas tree. Next week we will be going to watch the pantomime at the Corn Exchange, bringing out our best dance moves for the school disco and creating Christmas crafts. A huge thank you Mrs Stanbury for organising the Christmas craft session and the PTFA for organising the school disco. Tickets are still available from the office.

Congratulations to **Logan Gotts** for receiving the 'Letting your Light Shine' certificate for his participation in the Dodgeball tournament at TNHA and being awarded the 'inspired player of the match' trophy for his courage, perseverance and resilience. Well done Logan!

News from classes:

Hedgehogs: We have enjoyed learning about the Gingerbread Man in drawing club and learning about shapes in Maths. We also really enjoyed making a Santa Workshop.

Squirrels: We've enjoyed learning about artists using the chrome books and have loved drawing around shapes and counting the number of sides in Maths.

Foxes: We have had fun making structures out of blue-tac and matchsticks. We also enjoyed developing our skills in football in PE.

Otters: We have enjoyed watching 'The Man on the Moon' and summarising it. We also enjoyed decorating our fish in D&T and writing our 3 sentences in dictation.



Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

Sportshall Athletics - 8th December
Years 5 and 6 only

Tuesday 9th Craft Workshop
after school 3.15-4.15pm £5 per child.

10th December Jack & the Beanstalk Pantomime
Email reminder sent for consent & please log on to your Arbor and make the payment due. Thank you
School Home packed lunches only

School Disco 11th December
Tickets on sale £2.50

15th and 17th December
Hedgehogs & Squirrels Nativity
please complete link for tickets 2 per child.

Wed 17th December Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6
Parent Cafe in hall 2 -3pm

Thurs 18th December Nursery, rec, 1 & 2
Parent Cafe in hall 2-3pm

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.*

Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day:

Information must be completed by Monday please. Link resent today.

Festive food hamper donations:

We are kindly asking all parents that are able, to donate any items for our Festive food Hamper. anything would be greatly accepted but please do not bring in any form of alcohol. all donations to the Office.

Raffle tickets available from the office and all the parent events throughout December at £1 per ticket. Depending on level on donations there will be 1st 2nd and 3rd prizes but the winner will be announced on the last day of term.

Santa is visiting Narborough Church

at 2.30pm Sat 6th December
It's free of charge and there will be goodie bag for each child, light refreshments also available.



After School Club with Miss Gorman

please see attached diary dates with full information
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.

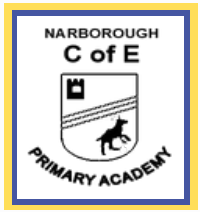
Attendance Awards -w/e 05/12/25

| Class | % |
|--------------|-------|
| Hedgehogs | 93.7% |
| Squirrels | 95.7% |
| Foxes | 95.7% |
| Otters | 97.6% |
| Whole School | 95.7% |

Well done to OTTERS Class!!!



AWARDS



Foxes Class



| Award | Goes to... | For..... |
|---------------------------|--------------|--|
| Reader of the week | Skylar | excellent effort and improvement in phonics learning |
| Writer of the week | Thea | beautiful presentation and beginning to write as a reader |
| Mathematician of the week | Oliver G | fantastic learning with column addition and subtraction |
| Shining Light | Louie | amazing improvement in attitude towards his school learning |
| Tackling Tables | Well done to | Alfie, Jasper, Joey, Oliver G, Ronnie, Danny, Leo, Pavitha, Reggie |
| Reads at home | Well done to | Joey - 75, Esme - 50, Ronnie - 50, Louie - 10, Skylar - 10 |

Otters Class



| Award | Goes to... | For..... |
|---------------------------|--------------|--|
| Reader of the week | Mia | using punctuation to read with fluency and expression! |
| Writer of the week | Isla | writing clear explanations to describe her responses to a text |
| Mathematician of the week | Ellie M | challenging herself to attempt harder questions in Maths. |
| Shining Light | Lexie | always being cheerful, friendly, kind, helpful and trying her best. |
| Tackling Tables | Well done to | well done to Isla, Ariah and Isabelle for achieving a tackling tables certificate this week. |
| Reads at home | Well done to | Lexie, Lacie and Chloe for achieving 50 reads at home. |



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Safeguarding

As we come up to Christmas and you may be considering buying your child a device, please see the Smartphone Free Childhood movement for ways of allowing children to game safely.

Also - we have a workshop for families coming up in the Spring term on Internet safety day and we would like to know whether there are specific issues you would like us to explore during those - drop me an email and we'll include them in the content. Many thanks.

Healthy mind, healthy body

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

Two things came from our children today on how we can all feel happy which I really wanted to share as they were delightful in their simplicity yet perfection. A child in Y1 said to me today 'I make people happy by smiling at them on purpose'. Also, at a school event one of our children slipped his hand through mine and we had a dance together. Small things can make a huge difference.

Message from the Executive Headteacher....



Thank you to everyone who has filled in our really short Autumn Parents/Carers' survey so far.

Our children at Narborough were overwhelmingly positive about their learning, staff in school, how they felt in school and how much fun they have. More comments next week!

Under the 'even better if' section, across the school, apart from wanting pets and more playtime, 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.

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,

Thank you for the food to eat, please look after the animals.
Amen

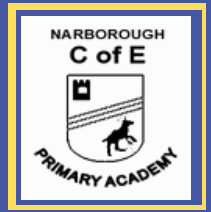
By Skylar



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Miss Christina Maskell
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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/>