

# Narborough Newsletter for week ending 13th February 2026

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

Executive Headteacher: Mrs Anne Neary  
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## Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, the children have been participating in safer internet day. This year, the focus has been on learning about AI. Through exploring different scenarios, they have learned that AI can't always be trusted and doesn't replace a human being. If they have any concerns, they should talk to a trusted adult or call childline (0800 1111).

Some of the children also worked together to produce some posters about what AI should and shouldn't be used for.



## Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

First day of Spring 2 term - Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

Parents Evenings:

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March.

Information on booking will follow

World Book Day Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Children can come into school dressed as their favorite book characters £1 donation more information to follow.

Special menu details attached.

Year 6 Crucial Crew - Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March

Further details will follow

Tempest Group Photos - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March



## Reminders and Information.....

Yr6 Horstead Residential 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> July

Please complete permission for your child to attend via the link and pay deposit of £30 by 3/4/2026

Week 3 update on our children's "hairdressing salon"

Some of our children have come up with a wonderful idea to help raise money for some new play equipment for lunch times Squirrels continue Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb.



To book onto TAMION'S SUPER CHALLENGE TIME after-school club, running Mondays after half-term, 3.15-4.15pm, for Years 1, 2 and 3 only, please call/text Tamion at Tamion Unlimited on 0798 555 4975.

It's just £4 per session, and places are limited to just 10 and awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Reminder that we have children with nut allergies so please make sure there are no nuts bought in to school.

Thank you

After School Club with Miss Gorman

please see attached diary dates with full information

"We are looking for volunteers to read with children at school. This can be parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles or family friends. If you're interested in registering, sign up here

<https://www.schoolreaders.org/volunteer> "



## 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 13/02/26

Class	%
Hedgehogs	92.9% same
Squirrels	94.6%
Foxes	95.6% same
Otters	96.8%
Whole School	95.1%

Well done Otters: let's see an improvement for everyone else after half-term please



# AWARDS

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Hedgehogs Class	Award	Goes to...	For.....
	Reader of the week	Rocco	Good perseverance and concentration when blending words
	Writer of the week	Sophia	Always practising letter formation and choosing to write freely in busy learning time
	Mathematician of the week	Winter	Working hard to add number bonds to five
	Shining Light	Asher	Settling in well to the new routines in Hedgehogs and being polite
	Reads at home	Well done to	None this week

## Our week in class

### Hedgehogs:

This week we retold the story of Chinese new year, we painted our own Chinese symbols.

We also baked love heart cakes for Valentine's

We learnt all about internet safety and who we can talk to if we need any help



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Squirrels Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Macy	acing her phonics assessments.
Writer of the week 	Casey	being proud of his independent writing.
Mathematician of the week 	Kitt	confidently grouping within 20.
Shining Light 	Harley	teaching Ms Rose all about Australia.
Reads at home	none this week	

## Our week in class

### Squirrels

This week we have been learning about how to stay safe and online especially with AI.

We have also been finishing our persuasive adverts in English.

In Science we created our own life cycles of frogs.

We have begun repeated addition in maths.



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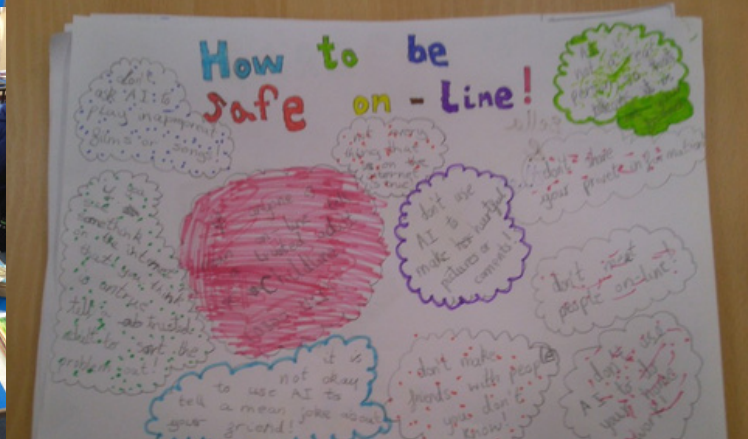
**Foxes Class**

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Louie	making progress in his reading and trying his best with reading to an adult.
Writer of the week	Ethan	excellent presentation, focus and attitude to his writing this week.
Mathematician of the week	Oliver G	fantastic improvements in his recent arithmetic test scores and learning.
Shining Light	Pavitha	always helping others and taking such pride in her learning.
Tackling Tables	Well done to	Leo, Thea, Danny, Charlotte, Alfie, Ethan, Jasper, Jaxson, Olivia, Scarlett and Esme.
Reads at home	Well done to	Charlotte for 100 reads.

## Our week in class

### Foxes:

This week, Foxes class put on an art gallery and we discussed what worked well for our self-portraits. In English, we have looked at the text, 'The Man Who Walked Between the Towers'; to inspire our short story. We danced to carnival music in P.E.



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Otters Class

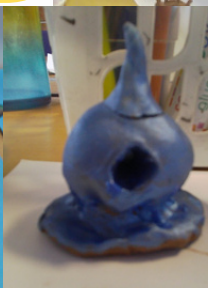
Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Sophie	An improvement in the fluency and accuracy of her reading.
Writer of the week 	Bella	for writing a clear and detailed answer to the big question
Mathematician of the week 	Isla	for always engaging well with our mastering number sessions.
Shining Light 	Lexi	for always being polite and kind to others and taking part in discussions
Tackling Tables	Well done to	Khloe, Hughie, Ellie, Lexi, Luna and Bow for achieving tackling tables certificates this week.
Reads at home 	Well done to	None this week

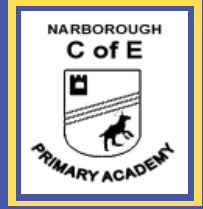
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### Otters:

Otters have enjoyed writing continuing to write our story: **The Man on the Moon.**

In Science, we have learned about the life cycle of marsupials and monotreme mammals.





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### Safeguarding

A message from the company who monitor children's electronic use across all schools across the country:

There has been a rise in bullying behaviours across the country on online platforms and social media: information from our monitoring partners:

We have noticed a recent increase in the number of captures relating to bullying behaviours mainly taking place through email, shared documents and online chat platforms. These messages have often been discriminatory and violent in nature, with comments telling peers to kill themselves. Alongside this, we have also seen a rise in pupils expressing feelings of needing to harm themselves, feeling worthless, as well as disclosures of loneliness and isolation.

Feedback from last year's online survey of families: Families wanted to learn more about is the language of the digital world and how to prevent unsuitable material being accessible and ways we can lobby the Government.

We drew people's attention the Smartphone Free Childhood as a campaign group to lobby the Government.

We also provided articles in the newsletter around familiarity with the digit world, parental controls and hints and tips.

### Healthy mind, healthy body

Our strategy launches next week, so please ask your children how they think people keep themselves feeling healthy and send it in, we'd love to have emailed or Dojo'd examples.

### Message from the Executive Headteacher...

As you know, this week has been National Online Safety Week, and also Children's Mental Health Week.

I delivered a Collective Worship online across the Federation and it was super to hear such fantastic knowledge and understanding of how to keep themselves safe online, as well as how we can keep both our bodies and our minds healthy. The children spoken confidently and had produced some posters and had great ideas. I asked them to add their ideas, hints and tips to the poster that Rosie, Annie and Ethan designed 'Healthy Body, Healthy Minds' so ask your child for their ideas on this - I found them most informative and they made me reflect!

Many thanks to all of you who attended our Parents/Carers' online safety workshop. We were a small group but it was good to share and discuss thoughts around this very difficult area.

You will be receiving a message or letter regarding your child's attendance this week - for those whose children's attendance is 96%+ - thank you and well done! If your child's attendance is lower and is something that you'd like support with, please do contact your Head of School or myself and we are happy to try and help. We want all our children to have no barriers to their learning.

Have a lovely halfterm break and we will see all our children back on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Just a reminder - please come at 8.40am, so that the children can access those 20 extra minutes of learning that are so helpful to them. Thank you!

### Narborough Parent/Teacher/Friend Association (PTFA)

If you think you may be able to lend a hand, or have any other fundraising ideas, please contact Mrs Hamilton or Miss Maskell, or speak with the office, Thank you.

### Prayer for the Week

Dear God,  
Thank you for my family and I hope everyone has a safe and warm place to stay.  
Amen  
By Khloe



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Miss Christina Maskell  
Narborough C of E Primary Academy

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Castle Acre, Narborough and Sporle C of E Primary Academy



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## Healthy Body Healthy Mind

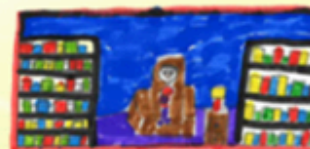
### Healthy Body

### Healthy Mind

To have a healthy body you could exercise and workout regularly.



Reading helps with your spelling as well as your mind.



Eating fruit and veges are another form of having a healthy body.



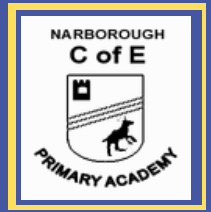
Education is also a good thing for your mind.

Sweets are very unhealthy because they are full of sugar.



Video games aren't very good for your mind.





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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/4_7/)***  
***[https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8\\_10/](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/)***  
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