

Sporle Newsletter for week ending 6th March 2026

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and carers,

Well it's definitely been an exciting week! Yesterday was World Book Day and it's always fabulous to see the amazing outfits our children come in. We had everyone from Gangsta Granny to Mary Poppins and Harry Potter. Thank you to our families for helping make the creative costumes come to life. We look forward to hearing what they chose to spend their book token on. Remember to record any reading they do at home with you in their reading records. We also had a visit from a very special guest- Mr Martyn Payne, from DNEAT, our academy group. He came to see our wonderful school and was very impressed by the children's lovely learning behaviours, their super learning in books and the work of our staff. Keep it up everyone!

Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

Tempest Group Photos - Wednesday 11th March

The photographs taken will be class groups this time. If you do NOT wish your child to take part, please inform the office in the usual way.

Red Nose Day/Odd Socks for Down's Syndrome day - Friday 20th March

This year Odd Socks day for Down's Syndrome is on Saturday 21st, so on Red Nose Day, please send your child in odd socks and a red nose! Many thanks

Tag Rugby at The Nicholas Hamond Academy - Wednesday 25th March

High 5 Netball - Thursday 26th March
Further details to follow

Easter Service - Friday 27th March
Followed by FOSS Easter Egg Hunt

Last day of Spring Term - 27th March

Reminders and Information.....



Easter Church Service - Friday 27th March at 1:30pm
We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible for this service.

FOSS Easter Egg Hunt - Friday 27th February after Church Service
Join in the fun for £1. Siblings welcome too. Prize at the end



Lunchtime Awards

Robins Class
Billy and Ollie
Woodpeckers Class
Freddie D and Olivia-Poppie
Kingfishers Class
Piper and Fearne



World Book Day Fun!

A huge thank you to all of you for making the effort to dress up yesterday. The children and staff had a lovely day. A few pictures.....



Attendance Awards.....

Class	%
Robins	95.79
Woodpeckers	96.23
Kingfishers	94.13

Well done Woodpeckers Class!



Military Families.....

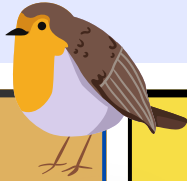
Military Club with Mrs Jary is every Thursday lunchtime in person at Narborough, but children from Sporle and Castle Acre are also going to be able to access this online in coming weeks. Come along, eat your lunch, bring a friend and chat! In future we will be meeting online with our other service children 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.



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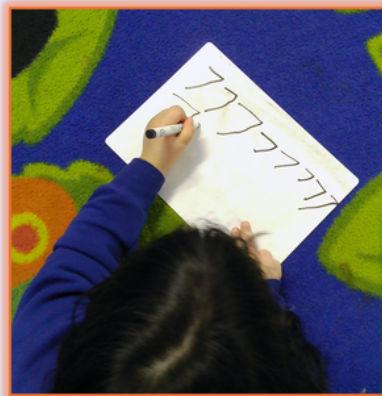
Robins Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Rishi	Impressing adults with his knowledge of sounds.
Writer of the week	Elise	Applying her phonics when writing
Mathematician of the week	Rebekah	Excellent knowledge about one more and one less to 50.
Shining Light	Archer	Always being a light in our class.
Letting your light shine	Grayson	Having a super attitude to his learning.

Our week in Class



This week we have continued our learning on the significant figures, Mary Seacole, Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell. This week we learned who Florence Nightingale was and why she is important in history. In our writing the Year 1 children are learning how to write a factfile on nurses and Reception have been delving into the book 'Zog and the Flying Doctors'. In Maths, Year 1 have been looking at number up to 50. Reception children's focus has been sequencing numbers to 10.



Enjoying maths



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Woodpeckers Class 	Award	Goes to...	For..... 
	Reader of the week	Layla	for reading to Amber like a star! 
	Writer of the week	Lillie	for always taking on feedback
	Mathematician of the week	Jonah	for super 2 step word problems 
	Shining Light	Charlie	for always presenting his work beautifully

Our week in Class

This week in Woodpeckers it was World Book Day. We had some great costumes! As it was sunny, the children spent time reading outside and they loved it! Mrs Farr even came in dressed as Winnie the Pooh. In maths we've been looking at solving word problems and in writing we practised using show not tell to write some of the story called The Journey.

As the sun was shining on World Book Day, the children spent time reading outside



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Award	Goes to...	For.....
Writer of the Week	Lou Lou	Using her phonic knowledge to write accurate instructions
Reader of the Week	Alfie	Super improvements in reading comprehension and reading 100 times at home
Mathematician of the Week	Luke	Being the 1 st Year 4 to complete all of the Standard levels on Tackling Tables
Shining Light	Fearne	Always showing excellent learning behaviours

Our week in Class

The children have been learning how to add, subtract and multiply fractions this week. Although some of us found it quite tricky at first, we all ended up being successful by the end of the week. In English we have been writing instructions to an imaginative land and in science, we made boats and tested how fast they could cross a tuff tray full of water. On World Book day the children attended the BBC's live lesson and designed book tokens. What a fun week of learning!

We made boats in science and we were testing to see how well they floated and at what speed



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Safeguarding

A useful tip from one of our parents - Many thanks Amy H!

You may find this company really helpful to support your children having safe use of a phone (Please note we do not endorse any company, nor receive anything from this tip!)

Message from the Executive Headteacher....

Governors' Update: how we live out the vision of Christian Distinctiveness: During the past term, Mother Angela as Chair of Governors has been spending lots of time in NVF. At our meetings we have looked together at how the Christian festivals are shaped and how we can celebrate those distinctively. Our Benedictine project has been a focus for Governors to understand how this is making a difference to our children and where we can take this in the future.

Parent Governor Roles

Due to the retirement from the role of our last Parent Governor for the Federation, we really need someone from each school. You only need to attend 4 meetings a year, currently a Tuesday evening at 6pm-8pm. Governors only have one job - to oversee our Christian distinctiveness and ethos. Each governor does one small job, which is talking to our children about their views. This could be done at a Parents'/Carers' Evening so you are not having to give more time. The report template is really easy and you are supported by our clerk, Karen Howman, the secretary at Castle Acre. You also do not need to be a Christian - it is really important to get everyone's viewpoints represented. If you'd like to help, please get in touch - we REALLY want the viewpoint and feedback of Parents/Carers. There are also biscuits on offer....

Change to our booking/payment process for Wrap around care - Breakfast and After School Club.

Just to let you know that from Easter, in order to book wrap-around care, you will need to book for the half-term in advance, by filling in the link that the office emails you in the final week of term. Your child's account will need to be in credit before you can book and you will be booking and paying for the term. There will be a date by which you will have need to have paid. You will still be able to do ad-hoc bookings on the day, but again, your account will be need to be in credit before you can book.

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

FOSS Easter Egg Hunt - Friday 27th February after Church Service

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Healthy mind, healthy body

One of our children's tips this week is 'eat lots of healthy stuff - eat grapes more than chocolate' Well done!

Prayer for the Week....



Dear God,

Please end the suffering of innocent people and make the world safe and healthy.



Amen

by Mrs Yule

Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

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Sporle C of E Primary Academy

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Castle Acre, Narborough and Sporle C of E Primary Academy