

# Narborough Newsletter for week ending 20th March 2026

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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

I hope you have all managed to enjoy the lovely sunshine we have been fortunate enough to experience this week. Thank you to all who have helped support our efforts to raise money for Comic Relief (wearing red) and odd socks day. This week, the children have also been taking part in an RE afternoon, learning about the importance of the cross to Christians as we prepare for Easter.

Thank you to those that also supported our 'hair dressers' who have managed to raise almost £90 which they will use to purchase some new play equipment. Well done to all.



Well done to this week's Shining light winners

## Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day workshop repeat-all years-2.30pm**  
Parents/Carers are invited into classrooms at 2.30pm to join in with book-based activities; please note, if you attended the World Book Day workshop last week you do not need to attend this one but you are of course welcome to do both!

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 9:30am-Easter Church Service**

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible for this service. Refreshments available prior to the service.

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Year 5 Tag rugby event at TNHA**

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March - Year 6 High 5 Netball event at TNHA**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March- Last day of term**  
children return on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April.

## Attendance Awards -w/e 20/03/26

Class	%
Hedgehogs	93.1%
Squirrels	94.8%
Foxes	95.9%
Otters	96.4%
Whole School	95.2%

Well done Otters class still maintaining our +96% target..Can foxes get over the 96% this week?



## 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

Next week more information will be given regarding the changes to booking and paying for wrap around care on Arbor some information regarding Tax free childcare payments

### Polite payment reminder

We appreciate it that things are easily overlooked, but please ensure payments are made in time for trips, events and clubs. Failure to do so may prevent further events in school.

One of our wonderful year 5 students, Ruben has decided he would like to cut his hair and donate it to the 'Little Princess Trust.' it is taking place next week so if you are able to sponsor him please do so by 26<sup>th</sup> March. Thank you for all the wonderful donations so far.



Coaching

**After School Clubs**  
**Spring 2 Half term (5 weeks)**  
Football Club - Tuesdays  
Multi-Sports Club - Wednesdays  
Outdoors Club - Thursdays  
Please book places direct with ICS using this link:  
<https://icscoaching.pembee.app/>

Thank you for all the donations  
We raised £81.15 for Comic Relief



## 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.

# AWARDS

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Hedgehogs Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Elliot	actively joining in during phonics and showing confidence
Writer of the week 	Cody	Super effort and determination with his letter formation
Mathematician of the week 	Winter	Super representation of numbers to 10
Shining Light	Sophia	demonstrating our school values and for being brave to perform in Childrens worship
Reads at home	Well done to	Sophia for 200 reads 

## Our week in class

### Hedgehogs:

This week we have enjoyed learning about how Police officers help us.  
We have been reading the story 'Alan's Scary Teeth.'  
In Maths we have enjoyed making staircase patterns of 10.



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Squirrels Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Lottie	Fantastic effort in phonics.
Writer of the week 	Aria-Raine	Trying really hard in her writing lessons.
Mathematician of the week 	Renesmee	Being keen to complete extra maths.
Shining Light 	Joshua R.	Demonstrating our school values.
Reads at home	Aria Fred	25 reads 50 reads



## Our week in class

### Squirrels

This week we have really enjoyed listening to the 'Rainbow Song' in Music.  
We have been painting a Spring scene in Science.

In English we have enjoyed finishing writing our story about the "Journey."  
In Maths we have been doubling.



# AWARDS

**Foxes Class**

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Pavitha	reading fluently and with prosody.
Writer of the week	Arthur	taking on board feedback with his writing and trying his best.
Mathematician of the week	Charlotte	thoroughly engaging with mastering number and improving with her tackling tables.
Shining Light	Alfie	consistently trying his best and being a really helpful friend when others are struggling.
Tackling Tables	Well done to	Harrison, Ronnie, Scarlett, Athea, Esme, Leo, Pavitha, Reggie and Thea.
Reads at home	Well done to	Jasper for 100 reads, Leo for 25 reads and Alfie for 10 reads.

## Our week in class

### Foxes:

This week we have enjoyed learning how to convert fractions into decimals.

In English we have learned about rhetorical questions.

In music, we have been learning the song 'three little Birds' by Bob Marley.

We used team skills in Dodgeball in PE this week and developed throwing and catching.



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Otters Class

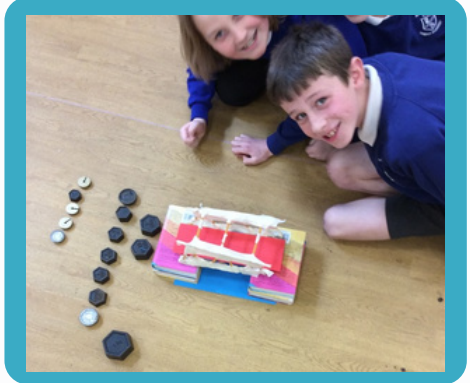
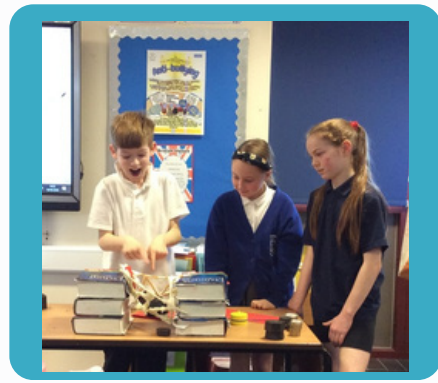
Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Ellie	Making Excellent progress in reading.
Writer of the week 	Bella	Writing a clear biography in Science
Mathematician of the week 	Poppy	Making excellent progress in Maths. Keep it up.
Shining Light 	Bow	Having an excellent attitude towards her
Tackling Tables	Well done to	
Reads at home 	Well done to	

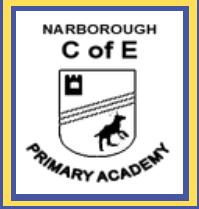
## Our week in class

### Otters:

We have enjoyed testing our spaghetti bridges in D&T this week.  
In Geography we have liked learning about river's.

In Maths we have enjoyed learning percentages.  
We have also enjoyed revisting the Easter story in RE.





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## Safeguarding

This week, we have had a number of children giving away personal information online. Please talk to your children about this in order to keep them safe; thank you for your support.

## Healthy mind, healthy body

This week's tips come from Joe Wicks with his top 5 tips for getting kids moving (and loving it!)

Getting kids moving doesn't have to be perfect - it just has to be playful - and it can be done in short bursts. Whatever your kid is into, there's a way of moving that they'll love, and that can easily fit into your day.

Here are a few ideas to get you started:

### 1. Make movement fun indoors

Turn everyday tasks into games - race to tidy up, dance in the kitchen while dinner's cooking, or try a quick online workout like 'Activate'. Movement doesn't need to look like 'exercise', it just needs to be fun!

### 2. Get outside, whatever the weather

A brisk game of tag or a trip to the park can warm everyone up and kids see it as play, not a chore. So, wrap up and get out there!

3. Turn the school run into an adventure  
Walk, scoot or cycle when you can. Make it playful - count dogs, race to lampposts, or invent your own challenges. It's sneaky exercise that they'll love.

### 4. Keep it relaxed and role model it

There are so many different types of sport to try out, and remember that not every child loves competitive activities, and that's OK!

Try things like frisbee, swimming or cycling. Most importantly, show them how you enjoy being active - they'll follow your lead.

### 5. Explore local activities

Look out for free or low-cost events. A change of scene can spark new interests and keep things exciting.

## Message from the Executive Headteacher....



### Forest School Fun!

In May, on the 20th, we will be having our Federation Day, which will be a full day of Forest School! -

We are going to be having a fantastic time in Shouldham Warren, and in order to make this trip completely free, this is our advance notice that on this day there will be no Breakfast Club and we will be asking you to take your children and collect them from Shouldham Warren.

Please do try and car share in order to cut down on traffic. The day will be normal school time drop off - 8.40am and pick up - 3.10pm. If anyone would like to come along and help on this day, you would be most welcome; please let your Head of School know.

Also, if you could spare even an hour a week to come into school and hear children read, we'd be delighted to hear from you. Many thanks.

We haven't received any Parents who would fill our Governor vacancies yet - if you're considering it, but aren't sure, please come and chat to me and I will reassure you that it is not too much work, honestly! We had a very productive and interesting meeting on Tuesday night and it would have been great to have added a parental perspective.

## 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 our family, friends and the people who care for us.

Amen

By Logan



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Miss Christina Maskell  
Narborough C of E Primary Academy

Executive Headteacher  
Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies  
Castle Acre, Narborough and Sporle C of E Primary Academy

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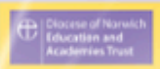
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# Healthy Body, Healthy Mind



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## Healthy Body 🍌 Healthy Mind 😊

### 🚫 Healthy Body ✓

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



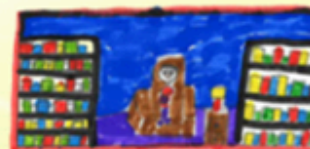
Eating fruit and veges are another form of having a healthy body.

Sweets are very unhealthy because they are full of sugar.



### 📖 Healthy Mind 🚫

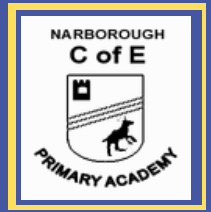
Reading helps with your spelling as well as your mind.



Education is also a good thing for your mind.

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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