News Sheet

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Horning Hedgehogs

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Inspiring Creative Learners

Stay and play continues!

Sessions in preschool have now started and are running on a weekly basis! - Friday Mornings 9AM-11AM with the next **Friday 17th March.** The stay and play sessions are open to babies, toddlers and young children aged 2-4 years old including those who don't currently attend the setting. The first session is free, with further sessions costing £2.50.

A chance for parents and carers to meet new families in a caring and supportive environment.



Come and join us for some family fun and learning. Please book in advance via school 01692 630470 or hedgehogs@coastaltogether.co.uk

Hedgehogs Preschool





This week we enjoyed sharing the 'Stickman' story. We had fun building our own Stickman, balancing logs on top of each other to see how tall we could make him. After reading about him floating down the stream, we investigated other things that float and sink.

Outside, our dinosaurs went for a swim and had a game of hide and seek! The next morning, we discovered the water had frozen. There were shapes in the ice that looked like dinosaur footprints and teeth!





We used sticks to make wind-up hedgehogs and road tracks for our cars.





If you go for a walk this weekend, look out for a good stick. What could you use your stick for?

Otter Class

We have been very busy this week. In maths we are learning about fractions, there has been a lot of rumbling tummies as the children talked about pizza and whether the half they are 'receiving' is fair or not. In topic we have moved on to music, and have been singing London's Burning in rounds. We have even begun to learn playing it on the recorder.







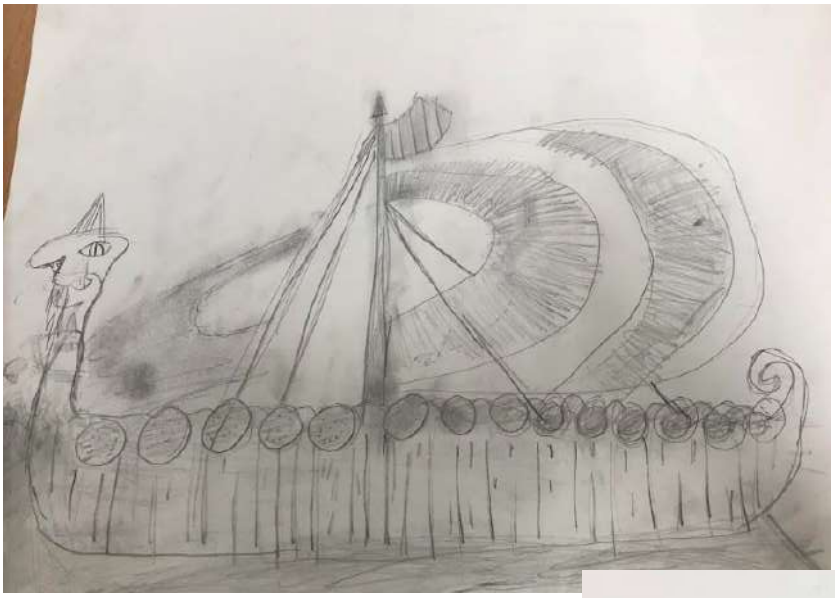
This week in English we have begun the story of Mary Poppins. The children are loving it so far, and this week's short independent write has absolutely blown me away!

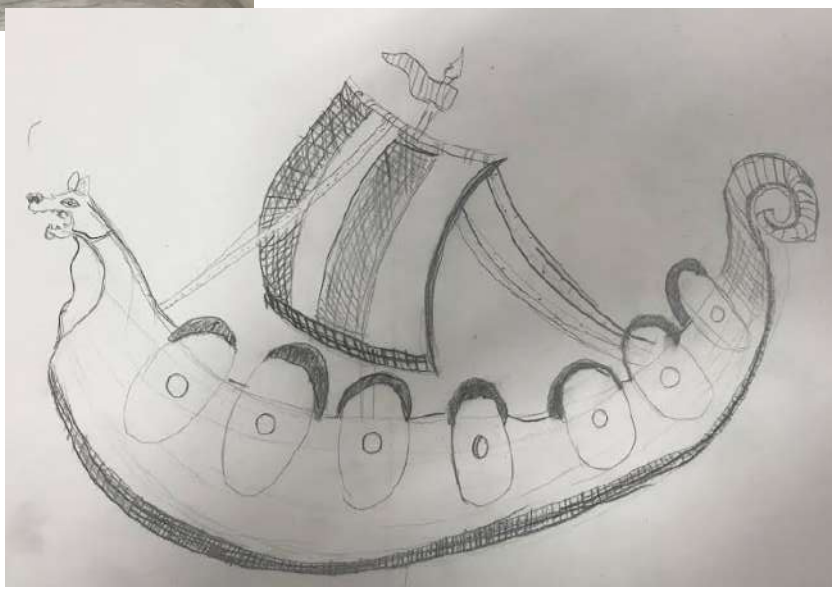
Foxes Year 3,4,5,and 6

It's been all steam ahead in the Fox class this week despite the cold weather. Some of the children have been working with fractions, decimals and percentages while the lower key stage children have been deepening their understanding of fractions. We have all been thinking of them in the pictorial format in order to reason and convert them. Our editing skills have been tested to the limits this week. We have polished our writing and honed our understanding of punctuation before polishing our handwriting for the final piece. These were shared with parents at our celebration event today.

In art we have begun our viking ship sketch project. Children have been using their skills of cross-hatching, stippling and shading to add tone and depth to their preliminary sketches. They look amazing!

To top the week off we were able to enjoy the late snow. We may have all got a little wet but it was definitely worth it!





Who doesn't remember a snowy day at Primary school?







Forest School Sessions

We are very excited to announce that Forest School sessions will be starting in school next week! The children already have their wellies in school, but they will need to bring a warm waterproof coat, hat and gloves for this sudden cold snap and waterproof trousers if you have them (not essential). Foxes will need these on Tuesdays and Otters on Thursday, unless advised otherwise.

We would be very grateful for donations of any spare, hats, gloves, wellies, or waterproof coats or trousers that no longer fit your child. These can go from age 2 and upwards as they will be used in preschool.

Thank you.

Red Nose Day



Next Friday is Red Nose Day and to celebrate the children can wear something that makes them happy, with a suggested donation of £1.

We will be following a Mr Men theme so ask the children to think what Mr Man or Miss would they be?



Science Week

In celebration of science week, we will have a fun filled afternoon of activities on Wednesday 15th March. Hopefully the children will be bursting with excitement and be able to share with you what experiments they took part in.

Horning Current - Celebration Handwriting Event

Thank you for joining us to celebrate the hard work and progress the children have made with their handwriting this term. The children were so proud to be able to share their writing and successes. There was a real buzz in the classroom as children and adults read stories aloud.









Winter PE Kit

The days are getting colder but if it is dry we always use our outside space for PE. Therefore, it is advisable that your child/ren wears suitable clothing for the colder days. For example; a long sleeved polo shirt or similar, a fleece jumper, shorts with track/fleece bottoms, suitable footwear and socks. Layers are great because they can always be removed.
If children have long hair this must be tied back and any earrings removed for safety. Let us hope the weather is kind to us over the winter period. Thank you for your kind support.

Parking

Can we please remind you to take extra care at drop off and collection times as we know the roads can get very congested with children having to walk between and around cars. Please avoid parking directly near the playground gate to drop off as this then forces pedestrians to walk into the road to gain access to school. Thank you for your support.

Attendance/Safeguarding

Attendance target set by the government = 96.5%

Current updated Horning Primary School attendance this year to date 93.90%

The class with the highest attendance this week was Foxes achieving 98.52%

Amazing - Well Done Foxes!

News and Reminders	
PE Days On the day your child has PE please ensure they come to school wearing their PE kit. If they are taking part in sports club and it is not their PE day they should come to school in their uniform and bring kit to change into.	
Otter Class - Years R, 1 and 2	**Friday**
Fox Class - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	**Friday**

Dates for the Diary

Date	Time	Event

14/03/2023	**12:00-5:15**	Year 6 STEAM (Science, Technology, English and Maths) challenge afternoon at Gresham's School - please note the late pickup for year 6 children ETA 5:40pm
15/03/2023	**pm**	Science Activities to celebrate national science week
17/03/2023	**All Day**	Comic Relief Red Nose Day - **Dress up for Joy - wear something that makes you smile £1.00 suggested donation**
17/03/2023	**3:15-4:15**	After school club - Hockey
24/03/2023	**3:15-4:15**	After school club - Hockey
31/03/2023	**1.30-3.00**	Horning Cafe - Horning Village Hall
31/03/2023	**3:15**	Break up for the Easter holidays
31/03/2023	**3:15-4:15**	**There is no after school club - last day of term**
17/04/2023	**8:45**	**Return to school from the Easter Holidays**
19/04/2023	**All Day**	Bikeability for Years 5 and 6 - Wednesday and Thursday
19/04/2023	**1:15-2:45**	Otter and Fox Class Judo Sessions by Harrier Judo Club
26/04/2023	**1:15-2:45**	Otter and Fox Class Judo Sessions by Harrier Judo Club
03/05/2023	**1:15-2:45**	Otter and Fox Class Judo Sessions by Harrier Judo Club
08/05/2023	**All Day**	School Closed - Bank Holiday to mark the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III
09/05/2023 - 12/052023	**8:00-9:45**	Year 6 Breakfast club open all week - free to attend. Opportunity for some last minute revision
09/05/2023	**9:00-12:00**	Year 6 SATs tests - English Punctuation, Spelling and Grammar paper
10/05/2023	**9:00-12:00**	Year 6 SATs tests - English Reading paper
10/05/2023	**1:15-2:45**	Otter and Fox Class Judo Sessions by Harrier Judo Club
11/05/2023	**9:00-12:00**	Year 6 SATs tests - Maths arithmetic paper and Reasoning paper 1
12/05/2023	**9:00-12:00**	Year 6 SATs tests - Maths arithmetic paper Reasoning paper 2
17/05/2023	**1:15-2:45**	Otter and Fox Class Judo Sessions by Harrier Judo Club
24/05/2023	**1:15-2:45**	Otter and Fox Class Judo Sessions by Harrier Judo Club
26/05/2023	**1.30-3.00**	Horning Cafe - Horning Village Hall
07/07/2023	**1.30-3.00**	Horning Cafe - Horning Village Hall

See below for term dates:

Term Dates	**All in-term holiday requests will be classed as unauthorised absences. This will likely result in a fixed penalty notice being issued from Norfolk County Council.** **In Norfolk, penalty notices are issued in accordance with the Norfolk Local Protocol. In all cases a penalty notice can only be issued if the pupil has accrued at least 9 sessions (4.5 school days) of**





unauthorised absence within the previous 6 school weeks. This would result in a fine of £60 per child per parent ie; for a family with 2 children this would total £240

The link below has more information about fixed penalty notices.
Fixed Penalty Notices



What's on in Horning?

POP- UP Cosy Café



Horning Hub – connecting the community

You are invited to the Cosy Café in the Mill Suite behind Horning Village Hall for FREE coffee, tea, toast, and fruit



When

On Tuesdays

24th January -31st January

7th -14th - 21st-28th February

7st -14th March

When

10 a.m. and 12.30 p.m.

Where

Mill Suite, Horning Village Hall



There will be books to browse, a Bring and Buy sale Wi-Fi is available in the Mill Suite.

There will be an opportunity to discuss activities you might like to take part in such as tabletop games, desert island discs etc and of course, the chance to catch up with friends and neighbours. The Mill suite is Mobility friendly



contact: horninghub@yahoo.com or Tel; 01692 630695

Horning Hub Thea, Peter, Adam and Susie

Big Norfolk Easter Holiday Activity scheme – Booking now open!

We're pleased to announce that booking is now open for Big Norfolk Holiday Fun. Activities will run across the Easter Holidays from 3 – 17 April. Families can now visit our **EveryMove activity finder** to search activities and make bookings.

Please support us by sharing Big Norfolk Holiday Fun information with eligible families.

Also please remember the scheme is also open to all vulnerable children regardless of their free school meal status. This includes for example young carers and refugees. Please refer any additional children that you'd like to recommend using the link here **Big Norfolk Holiday Fun: Information for Schools (activenorfolk.org).**

Helping you promote the scheme

Don't forget we have a range of free promotional marketing tools to help you get the message out to your free school meal eligible families.

Materials include

- Promotional playground banners and posters
- Printed or digital flyers to go home in book bags
- Newsletter copy and social media graphics

Download the Big Norfolk Holiday Fun toolkit or order printed copies here

Now that booking is open, please encourage families to book activities by doing the following:

- sending the Big Holiday Fun pdf to all eligible families (find this in the school promotional toolkit)
- working with families you know who may struggle to make the booking themselves
- promote the scheme in your weekly school newsletter using the copy provided
- promote the scheme on your Facebook page using the social media images provided (or share Norfolk County Council's Facebook posts)

This year we've extended our offer with even more providers and activities available which is great news. On top of that we've secured more specialist SEN providers for 2023 giving us an even wider range of inclusive activities.

If you have any questions, please email the team on **bnhf@norfolk.gov.uk**

Thanks in advance for all your continued support.

Best wishes

Tim Eyres
Assistant Director of Commissioning and Partnerships
Norfolk County Council Children's Services



The following has been shared by Norfolk police - School and youth engagement:

SOS+ Programme

Booking and enquiries:
sospluswebinars@stgilestrust.org.uk

For more information:
emily.roberts@stgilestrust.org.uk

Gangs and County Lines

Parents / Carer Webinar

Our gang and county lines parents' session consists of ***speakers with lived experience*** within the criminal justice system to unpack and explore the ***realities and consequences*** of county lines, gang involvement, and serious youth violence.

Perspectives from previous perpetrators and runners/transporters, combined with relevant case studies, aid audiences in gaining an ***authentic and credible understanding*** of this complex and cross cutting issue.

Register here!

Click here!

The session will help parents and carers to identify the ***signs and triggers*** that a child or young person might be involved in county lines and gain an understanding of ***how to appropriately respond*** to such indicators.

Delivered by Rosanna

Norfolk

18:30 - 20:00

28.03.2023

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What to do

Learn how to challenge – you need to be able to stay calm, ask questions and listen to answers without losing control. Don't be afraid of confrontations, but try and stay away from accusations.

If your child is in trouble with the Police or at school – be ready to challenge obvious signs of unacceptable behaviour – one idea is to make an agreement and have set consequences for misbehaviour.

Listen and be supportive - If a young person is involved, they may not want to talk about it or be scared. Ultimately, you want to be the person your child can confide in and is honest with.

This means you need to be prepared to listen to your worst fears without the situation escalating or becoming abusive. It's important that they know you want to listen, support them and work with them to find solutions.

Don't be afraid to get help - You are not alone and there is always support out there to help you. In addition to the information in this leaflet, your local council or the Citizens' Advice Bureau have specific groups who can assist you.

But you could start by talking to the school, teachers, faith groups and even other parents. On the back page of this leaflet are organisations that can give you more information and access support.

SOS Project

Get help

If you're concerned about the issues raised in this leaflet, these organisations and resources are available to help:

The SOS+ Service
T: 020 7708 8000
W: stgilestrust.org.uk

Victim Support
National charity helping people affected by crime
W: victimsupport.org

NSPCC
A 24hr helpline providing advice and guidance
T: 0808 800 5000

Family Lives
For advice on all aspects of parenting roles
T: 0808 800 2222

Childline
T: 0800 1111
W: childline.org.uk

Missing People
W: missingpeople.org.uk

Kooth
Online mental wellbeing community
W: kooth.com

Norfolk Children's Advice and Duty
T: 0344 800 8020

Norfolk Police
T: 101 and ask for Norfolk police

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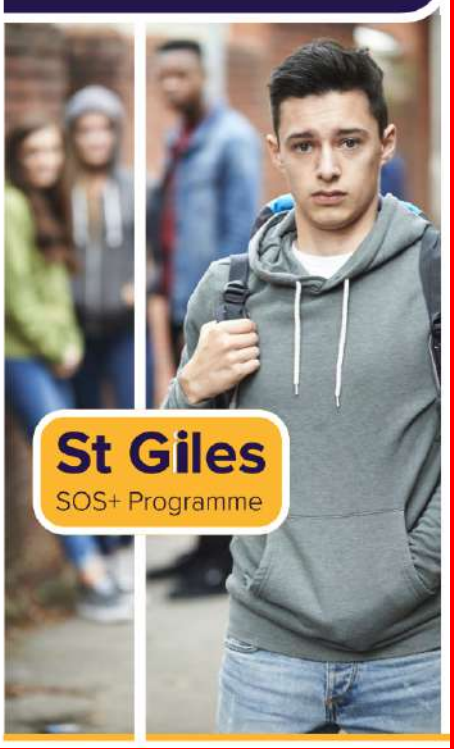
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Combating violent crime

Warning signs, practical advice and support for concerned parents and carers.



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SOS+ Programme

Practical advice and support for parents

Sometimes it feels like crime is getting more serious all the time. We see images of youth violence, stabbings and exploitation all the time. No-one would blame you as a parent or caregiver for worrying about what happens to your child, or asking what they could do to stop their child becoming another victim. Here is some guidance to consider, put together by our experienced SOS+ Service team.

Don't blame yourself - Even with good parental support, young people can be attracted into negative associations or habits despite your best efforts.

Have those conversations – Young people frequently tell us that if they were in trouble they would not go to an adult for help. Be that a teacher, parent or someone in authority. Why not? Because they fear they would be judged, that adults wouldn't understand or worse they would receive the punishment. To get around this you are going to have to build real trusted conversations your young person. You need to talk about what you will to do if they ask you for help. You need to reassure them that you will not judge them and that you will believe them and do whatever it takes to help them. Then when they approach you, take time out and listen.

It's not just boys that get involved - Many girls may believe that what they're being pressured or coerced to do is 'normal' and acceptable. They might not realise what's happening to them is wrong. They may be afraid of what might happen if they tell anyone and they may believe no one will believe or protect them.

Check out their space – this includes physical spaces such as bedroom and where they hang out but don't forget about the online space. **It's wise to know what social media platforms (TikTok, WhatsApp, Instagram, Twitter, Snap Chat &c.) they use and dependant on age and maturity you should have access to their activity. You don't always need the app to have an account - Google search the logins.**

Be aware that chat rooms and texts can be used to bully and exploit young people to participate in negative behaviour. Monitor sites and games for inappropriate content – maybe even play the games with them!

Signs and indicators:

Behaviour - Most young people go through a rebellious phase, what's essential is that it does not prolong and that healthy boundaries are maintained and challenged.

Your child's friends – Friends fall out sometimes and children change their interests, but who are your child's friends? When your child goes out, who are they with and what are they doing?

Gang names – Does your child's group of friends have a 'name' and if so, how do they see themselves?

Truancy – Do you check on attendance, are you speaking to teachers, have tutors noticed anything? If kids are not in school the question is, where are they? Some gangs exploit young people by sending them to other areas.

If your child starts to go missing, make sure you challenge them over their whereabouts and if they go missing for periods of 24hrs or more ensure that it is reported and that you get help. If you're in doubt as to what your children are doing in their spare time, ask. If necessary, monitor their activities.

Post codes and unsafe areas - Harder to spot, but some young people align themselves to post codes and therefore have 'no-go' areas. If your child shows reluctance going to any specific areas, ask why, and be ready to ask again.

Unexplained cash or possessions – Has your child bought things they normally couldn't afford? Look out for possession of relatively large sums of money or for expensive items brought home. Be ready to challenge excuses, too.

Signs of bullying/physical injuries – Your child may experience bullying and pressure to join a group. They may have injuries which indicate violence from others or self-harming. Either way, they'll need your support. Make time to listen and encourage them to trust you.



Understanding the music - this can be a bit of a minefield because although music associated with gangs can be threatening, violent and glamourise the myth surrounding the culture it does not guarantee involvement. I

t makes sense to know what your child is listening to and what the music is about, and so to have those versations about what the lyrics mean before you take any action.