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 9th June.** 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 Forest Preschool



This week's creative play began with some children building a castle out of cardboard boxes and then knocking it down! We wondered what would knock down a castle and imagined a big, red, angry dragon. After running through the meadow being chased by the snorting dragon, we went in search of dragon eggs. Hidden in the long grass we found a round, red and white stripy egg!



Our mission was to build a nest to keep the egg safe. We talked about the materials we might need and gathered logs and sticks for the outside of the nest and soft materials like the soil from mole hills, a bird's feather and fluffy dandelion seeds for the egg to rest on. Next, we focussed on building a stronger castle in case the dragon returned!





Later on in the week, the meadow grass was cut and we noticed lots of butterflies fluttering about in the warmth of the sun. We wondered if they had been hiding in the long grass. We went on a butterfly trail and were inspired to paint colourful butterfly pictures. We found out that butterflies taste with their feet and have long curly tongues that they poke into flowers to drink nectar. It was fun to dress as butterflies and flutter about the meadow.

We wish you all a happy half term and look forward to hearing about your outdoor adventures when you return!

Otter Class

We have had an extremely busy week in Otter class, but we have managed to squeeze in so much fun too! We have been learning about measurements, have completed our non-chronological report about lighthouses and learned all about Grace Darling. We have had our weekly Judo session too which was very much enjoyed by the children.

Our visit to Burnt Fen Alpaca farm was incredible. The animals were very accommodating and showed us their best sides, and we learnt so much about them and how their fleece is processed and used. It's not every week your child will come home having fed and walked an Alpaca, but it is safe to say each and every one of them (and the adults!) had a fantastic day!




















It has been a long term and the children are very much ready for a break. Well done to all of them for their hard work this term, and thank you to you, parents and carers for your support. Enjoy the break, and it looks like we may even get some sun for it!!

Foxes Year 3,4,5,and 6

Another busy week in Foxes, with some intermittent sunshine. Both classes had a wonderful visit to the alpaca farm on Tuesday, followed by some brilliant Alpaca arts and crafts.





This week in foxes our year 6's had an afternoon with the Crucial Crew. They had an informative afternoon which involved learning about fire safety, first aid and mental health. The year 6's enjoyed their afternoon and were able to take away some important things to remember.





Foxes have been investigating states of matter in science. They carried out a class experiment which involved using our criteria to test whether they were solids, liquids or gases. The children then took part in an outdoor activity which had them running from each corner of the playground to decide which state of matter was the correct answer. Foxes enjoyed getting messy with the Jelly!





This week we have been thinking about religion and diversity in our school and community. As a class we talked about being unique and celebrating our differences. The children then created their very own 'I am unique because' posters, which were amazing!

We have continued with our focus book wind in the willows, with the children continuing the story and describing the adventures of Toad, Mole and Ratty. Together we collaboratively created a display to help us with our descriptive writing of the settings.



Some of our year 6 pupils had a visit from their high school Principal giving them a chance to ask questions and find out more about their transition days. There will be more of these visits in the coming weeks.

And finally……

We had another fabulous Horning cafe ! The children helped to prepare the sandwiches.







We hope you all have a great half term break and we will see you all after for the last half term of the year !



Dress for the weather

As we are now heading into the brighter days we are hoping to use the outside area more and more. However, the dew still means the grassed areas are often wet and unsuitable for shoes and sandals. Can we please ask that children have in school wellingtons or waterproof shoes to change into (this will protect our inside area - carpets).

Can we also ask that on Forest School days they have suitable warm clothing available and sun hats (when the weather improves) as we will be outside for these lessons. Thank you for your anticipated 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 keeping all our children safe.

Attendance/Safeguarding

Attendance target set by the government = 96.5%

Current updated Horning Primary School attendance this year to date 94.15%

Otter class attendance: 93.14% Fox class attendance 95.02%

The class with the highest attendance this week was Foxes achieving 92.67%

Amazing - Well Done Foxes!

September 2023

You may remember that back in the autumn term we consulted on changes to the start and end time of the school day inline with the government white paper. From September 2023 our start and end of day time will be changing - see below

Start	8.35-8.45 drop-off (8.45 the doors close)
Finish	3.15 pickup

Following our recent 'Keeping children safe online and pupil mobile phones' letter we promised updates to support parents and carers with information about Apps and online content your child may be accessing on their devices. This week's poster focuses on everything you need to know about Discord which has an age limit of 13+.



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
5/6/2023	**pm**	Foxes Swimming every Monday at Broadland Sports Club
6/6/2023	**1.15pm**	British Red Cross First Aid Session Year 6
7/6/2023	**1pm**	Class Photos
8/6/2023	**9.15pm**	Reception - NCMP Height, Weight, Vision and Hearing Screening
12/06/2023	**pm**	Foxes Swimming every Monday at Broadland Sports Club
13/06/2023	**All Day**	Fox Class Visit to Ludham Boat yard including boat cruise
19/06/2023	**pm**	Foxes Swimming every Monday at Broadland Sports Club
23/06/2023	**pm**	Sports Day - details to follow
26/06/2023	**pm**	Foxes Swimming every Monday at Broadland Sports Club
03/07/2023	**pm**	Foxes Swimming every Monday at Broadland Sports Club
04/07/2023	**All Day**	Stalham High School Year 6 Transition Day
05/07/2023	**All Day**	Stalham High School Year 6 Transition Day
05/07/2023	**All Day**	Broadland High School Year 6 Transition Day
06/07/2023	**All Day**	Broadland High School Year 6 Transition Day
07/07/2023	**1:30-3:00**	Horning Cafe - Horning Village Hall - Summer Raffle Draw
10/07/2023	**pm**	Foxes Swimming every Monday at Broadland Sports Club
13/07/2023	**4:30-5:30**	School Disco
17/07/2023	**pm**	Foxes Swimming every Monday at Broadland Sports Club
17/07/2023-21/07/2023	**All Day**	Year 6 Residential visit to the Isle of Wight
21/07/2023	**3:15**	**Break up for Summer Holidays**
06/09/2023	**8:45**	**School Reopens for the new academic year - New start of day time**

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

