



News Sheet



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No.15
Spring
Term



12.01.24

Inspiring Creative Learners

Stay and play!

'Stay and Play' sessions are on Friday mornings 9 - 11am. They 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 the school office

01692 630470 or hedgehogs@coastaltogether.co.uk

Hedgehogs Forest Preschool



What a happy, healthy start Hedgehogs have made to the New Year! Despite the cold snap, we have been thoroughly enjoying our outdoor learning and being together again. We have kept warm by being active, working together to set up trails. It was lovely to see the children supporting each other to climb and balance and great fun taking turns to jump off at the end!



We built shelters to keep out the cold, even making sure the dinosaurs had a cosy roof over their heads!

It is often the simple things that bring the most joy and these are often found outdoors in nature. Watching leaves drift down on the gentle breeze, catching the winter sunlight, has been a welcome moment of calm in what has been a busy full week back for our energetic young learners.



Otter Class

We've had a fantastic first week back in Otter class. We have really dived into our new learning and have been working very hard.

This week we took part in our federation quiz on our previous term's topic- Let's Fly Away. We were all superstars and answered lots of questions but a huge well done to Team Fire for answering the most questions correctly and being our quiz winners!



In English we have been looking at our new text, Ossiri and the Bala Mengro. Our Year 1 and 2 children have produced some brilliant sentence stacks this week. We started with an experience lesson and learnt lots about 'rag and bone' people. We used our new learning to create some fantastic rainbows using scrap materials and crafts. We have been zoning in on key themes within the text and have all learnt lots about recycling and why it is so important.

In Maths we have started our new unit on multiplication and division. This week we have done lots of work on equal groups and arrays. Reception children have been revisiting their numbers and shapes and have been fantastic mathematicians this week.



Our new topic, Way Down Under is already proving to be one of great interest. We have really enjoyed locating Australia on a world map and thinking about what it might be like to live there. We have been looking at a town called Alice Springs and have been learning about the similarities and differences between there and where we live.

Fox Class

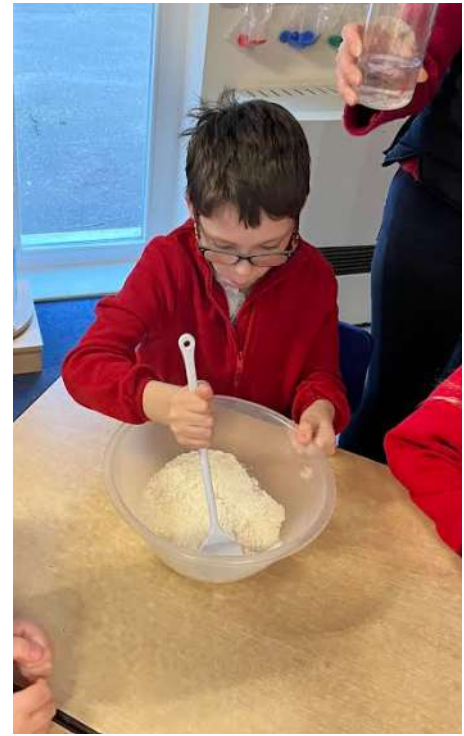
Foxes have settled into the New Year and new term with invigorated energy. As a start to the term we took part in the Federation Quiz across all six schools. Horning buzzed their way to 3rd place showing a strong retrieval of knowledge from our previous topic 'Battle of Britain'. Well done to everyone.

During our mini science topic on 'Inheritance and Evolution' we investigated how animals have evolved and adapted to their surroundings. This now links with our topic 'Guardian of the Planet' too. We have started to look at the geography of our planet in terms of longitudinal and latitudinal imaginary lines which divide the Earth. Foxes were very interested in the Prime Meridian line at Greenwich Observatory. Ask your child what they know about these?

In English, we have started our new book - Fragile Planet. The children have been describing the beauty of Thailand as well as finding out about the Asian Elephant.

This week saw the first of our monthly assemblies led by Revd Ben Bradshaw. The children were reminded of the importance of respect and not forgetting that we are all special.





One of our experiments used varying seeds and different tools to see how Darwin's Finches had adapted over time to their environment and food source. We also made salt dough fossils. This was a fun activity to finish our learning in this topic.

Healthy Snacks



As a school with healthy eating status, we like to encourage all children to have a snack at break time. Hedgehogs and Otters class have a selection of free fruits/vegetables available daily and we encourage them to take advantage of this. Foxes are also encouraged to bring in a healthy snack such as fruit or vegetables, yogurts, cheese dips or plain rice cakes etc.

Here is the NHS link for more healthy snack ideas.

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/food-facts/healthier-snacks/>

Colder Weather Takes Hold in Horning

The end of this week has seen a sudden change in the weather. Despite the cold and wet weather children will be going outside during breaks and lunchtimes as much as possible. With this in mind, can we please ask that your child/ren have the appropriate clothing; warm coat, scarf, hat and gloves will mean that they can still enjoy the brisk winter weather.



Attendance/Safeguarding

Attendance target set by the government = 96.5%

Current updated Horning Primary School attendance this year to date is 97.84%

Otter class attendance: 91.69% Fox class attendance: 93.40%

The class with the highest attendance this week was Foxes achieving
Amazing - Fox Class well Done!!

Every Day
Counts

Missing a day of
school a week

is the same as
missing over
2 years of school.

Every School Day Matters

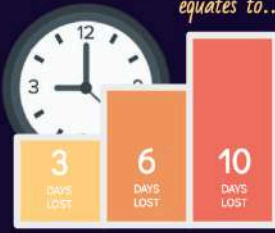
School and future success starts with good attendance!

Going to school helps children to:

- ✓ Learn
- ✓ Have fun
- ✓ Make Friends
- ✓ Get new experiences
- ✓ Increase their confidence and most of all...
- ✓ Have the best start in life

DAILY LATENESS

equates to...



5 MINUTES LATE: 15 hours of lost learning
 10 MINUTES LATE: 30 hours of lost learning
 15 MINUTES LATE: 45 hours of lost learning

Education is important - don't miss out!



Coastal Together
 Federation of Schools

Instil | Understand | Learn | Become

100% PERFECT
 100% Attendance

98% IMPRESSIVE
 Equates to 4 school days off each year

96% GOOD
 Equates to 7 school days off each year

95% NEARLY THERE
 Equates to 9 school days off each year

94% NEEDS TO IMPROVE
 Equates to 11 school days off each year

90% DANGER ZONE
 Equates to 1 month off each year

80% EXTREME IMPACT
 Equates to 2 months off each year

Every Day Counts ✓



Missed minutes =

missed learning =

missed opportunities

Guidance for Parents / Carers

Good attendance at school is one of the most important factors in ensuring that children and young people have the best opportunities in adult life.



justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance



Dates for the Diary

Date	Time	Event
07/02/2024	All day	Year 4 residential - Hilltop
08/02/2024	All day	Year 4 residential - Hilltop
09/02/2024	All day	Year 4 residential - Hilltop
16/02/2024		Cut off date to order school uniform for March
7/3/2024	All day	World Book Day
21/03/2024	1:00-3:00	Village Hall Cafe
18/04/2024	1:15-2:30	Boogie Bounce Sessions - led by Jump Warehouse - Otter and Fox classes
23/04/2024	12:30-5:30	Year 6 STEAM competition event at Greshams School Holt - letter to follow
25/04/2024	1:15-2:30	Boogie Bounce Sessions - led by Jump Warehouse - Otter and Fox classes
26/04/2024		Cut of date to order school uniform for May
02/05/2024	1:15-2:30	Boogie Bounce Sessions - led by Jump Warehouse - Otter and Fox classes
09/05/2024	1:15-2:30	Boogie Bounce Sessions - led by Jump Warehouse - Otter and Fox classes
16/05/2024	1:15-2:30	Boogie Bounce Sessions - led by Jump Warehouse - Otter and Fox classes
03/06/2024	Am	School Group Photo
3/06/24 to 7/6/24	All day	Sports activities week (Provisional)
7/06/24	1:30-3:00	Sports Day
07/06/2024		Cut of date to order school uniform for July
15/07/2024	Allday	Year 6 residential - Isle of Wight
16/07/2024	Allday	Year 6 residential - Isle of Wight
17/07/2024	Allday	Year 6 residential - Isle of Wight
18/07/2024	Allday	Year 6 residential - Isle of Wight
19/07/2024	Allday	Year 6 residential - Isle of Wight
19/07/2024	3:15	Break up for the Summer Holidays

See below for term dates:

Term Dates

Norfolk County Council 2023-2024 Coastal Together

This calendar applies to community schools, community special schools, VC schools and nursery schools and sets the days on which school transport will be provided. While most Foundation, VA, foundation special, free schools and academy trusts who are able to set their own dates, adopt the Norfolk Model, we advise you to check with your child's school before making holiday or other commitments.

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Key: White dates - schools open to pupils
 Yellow dates - pupil holiday
 Red dates - bank holiday
 Staff Training Days (The remaining 2 Inst Days will be disaggregated into 6 Twilights, 1 per Half Term)

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](#)



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H.A.T.S.

presents



The Little Mermaid

a pantomime
by Scott Meacock

**18th – 21st January
2024**

Thursday and Friday 7.30pm

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday Matinee 2.30pm

doors open 30 minutes before 'curtain up' for all shows



HORNING NR12 8LF
Village Hall
children £4, adults £7



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