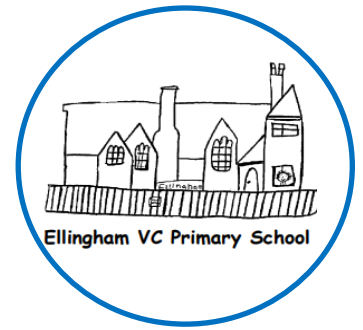


# Newsletter

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October



## Sparrows

This week in Sparrows we have been learning about Autumn and harvest. We went on an Autumn walk, investigated and described pumpkins and squashes, and read the story of 'Little Red.' We are collecting objects for our Autumn table - if you find any Autumn objects, please could you bring them in for our class Autumn display, thank you.



Thank you to everyone who attended the phonics and Tapestry workshops.

## Skylarks

Another great week flies by and Skylarks have looked at time, weights and measures this week when baking bread rolls. They were delicious and luckily we did remember to turn the oven off!



The children have written their own recipes and begun a Great Fire of London information poster. Have a good weekend, Mrs Ward 😊 and Mrs Rix 😊.

## Swifts

During English this week Swifts brought in some wonderful harvest related items to inspire them to write poems about harvest time using super similes. They have also been writing diary entries as a kitchen helper.



In maths this week, Swifts have been learning to subtract by counting on using a number line. They have also worked hard to complete some maths assessments.

During art we completed our Hans Holbein (the official portrait artist for King Henry VIII) inspired Tudor, marvellous masterpieces using oil pastels.

**Please bring in a cooking apron on Monday as Swifts will be carefully following cooking instructions to make a Tudor treat.**

Once again Swifts have achieved some magnificent Maths Whizz results! Very well done!

## Swallows

### Maths

Year 5 have been doing arithmetic and problem-solving assessments. Year 6 have continued with work on fractions.



### English

This week we have written instructions on 'How to Mummify a Chicken,' thinking about layout, and how to make them succinct, yet using parentheses for clarity. We have also started a recount of our Egyptian Day at Norwich Castle, where we had great fun learning about mummification, looking at 3000 year old artefacts, making an Egyptian collar and doing role play of ancient Egyptian life and celebration.

### Beccles and Bungay 'First Class' Supplement

The children in Sparrow's class will be featured in the Beccles and Bungay 'First Class' supplement. This will be in the edition published on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November.



### KS2 Parents Grammar Session

Ms Kenyon will be holding a grammar session for all parents/carers in KS2 on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November from 3.30pm until approx. 4.30pm. This will explain what your child is expected to know and will be very beneficial. If you have previously attended this session in the past, you don't need to come along, unless you would like to refresh your memory.

### Eco Committee Meeting

A reminder that there is an Eco Committee meeting on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October. All children who are on the Eco Committee will need to bring in a packed lunch that day as the meeting is at lunch time.



### Contact Details

Please return your contact details form by Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, even if there are no changes. It is very important that we have up to date information for your child.



### Green Flag

We were very proud to raise our green flag yesterday, after all the hard work that has gone into achieving it. The flag was raised by Stanley, who raised the most amount of money from growing his sunflower, and Olive, who is the secretary of the Eco Committee.



Thank you to all who raised money from growing sunflowers, the money will all go towards the costs of repairing our wind turbine.

### Cross Country

Well done to all of Swifts and Swallows for their amazing effort at the cross country last week. We are really proud of how every pupil tried their hardest and how they encouraged each other.

Well done to Riley Smith, Jack Lawrence, Oliver Pickering, Rosie Hirst, Holly Beveridge, Edie Vass and Olive Theobald for finishing in the top 20.

Congratulations to William Curtis, Finley Watson, Connor Pickering, Faith Wakefield, Otto Wathen and Maisie Lay for finishing in the top 10.

Special mention goes to Annabella Rackham because whilst she was running, a student from another school needed help and Annabella helped her. Not only did she help a girl from another school, but Annabella also managed to finish in the top 20! Fantastic!



### Harvest Festival - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October

We would like to invite all parents and carers to our Harvest Festival on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 9am** in the school hall. The children have been busy practising their songs and we hope that you can come along and enjoy watching them.

We are collecting items of food for the Waveney Food Bank this year. For more information please visit

<https://waveney.foodbank.org.uk/>

Please bring all donations into the school office by the morning of Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October at the latest.

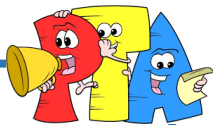


#### **They urgently need the following items:**

- Pasta Sauce
- 500g Sugar
- Coffee
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Long Life Fruit Juice
- Custard Powder
- Tinned Vegetables
- Rice Pudding

They have plenty of beans, pasta and cereal.

### PTA News

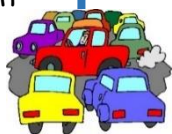


**A reminder about the Brian Heard talk tonight at Ellingham Village Hall.** Tickets are £5 each, still available from the PTA. Fascinating evening, Brian has many fascinating stories to share about amazing career in forensic science. I guarantee a great evening!

The PTA have a Facebook page where they share news and reminders. Please send them a request to join to keep up to date with what's going on.

### Car Free Friday

As an eco school we try and encourage children to walk or cycle to school as much as possible. The walking bus now runs on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, which reduces the amount of cars parked around the school gates. Please try and make every Friday a car free day by walking or cycling to school. If you live outside the village, try and park further away and walk the last part.



### 'Veggie Tub Tuesday'

A huge thank you to everyone who sent in vegetables for 'Veggie Tub Tuesday' this week. We had lots of vegetables and the children were all able to enjoy a tub at breaktime. A special thanks to Jenny Napthine who helped chop and prepare the vegetables.



### Coats

Now that the weather is very changeable, please can you ensure that your child has a coat in school at all times. The children go out to play in all weathers and need appropriate clothing for the weather, thank you.



### Tempest Photography

Individual and siblings photos were sent home with the children last week. Please can you return your orders to the school office by **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October**. Any orders received after this will have to be made directly to Tempest and you will have to pay postage.



### Aldi Tokens

A reminder to help us collect stickers to help us be in with a chance to win a sports kit.



Collect and win with Aldi's Kit for Schools.

#### **How it works... Get involved!**

Every time you spend over £30 in any Aldi store you'll receive a Team GB sticker. Take your stickers to school to help complete your poster.

### Walking Bus

Walking bus is up and running again. **It will run every Tues, Wed and Thurs**, unless the weather is really bad. There is a Whatsapp group for the walking bus so please make sure you are a member so you can get updates if it is cancelled. Thank you to all those who have supported the walking bus this year. It has been a huge success.



If you would like your child to join the walking bus, just turn up on the day and fill out a permission slip.

### Swallows Swimming

The children in Swallows will be continuing to swim after the half term. The first lesson will be on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October and the last will be on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December. The coach will be leaving at 9am, so please ensure that your child is in on time.



### Request for Items

Miss Watson has requested kitchen roll tubes for after school club. If you have any, please bring them into the school office, thank you.

### After School Clubs

Letters have gone home this week for after school clubs after half term. Please return these asap as some have limited space.



### Class Attendance - From Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October until Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October

We will be putting the class attendance for each week on the newsletter from now on. The class with the highest attendance each week will have a little in class treat from their teacher. **They will also receive a star for their door and the class with the most stars will win a prize at the end of term.** This will run from the previous Friday to the current Thursday. Let's see which class can get 100% attendance every week.

Sparrows - 96.6%

Skylarks - 93.4%

Swifts - 95.94%

Swallows - 97.5% Well done Swallows! 😊



### Dates for the Diary

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October** - 11.00 - Holy Communion at St. Mary's, Ellingham

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October** - Schools Flu Immunisation Programme - School Nursing team coming in to administer to all children

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October** - Eco Committee meeting - Children on Eco Committee need to bring in a packed lunch

**\*New Date\* Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October** - Football League Tournament - Letters have gone home to those participating

**\*New Date\* Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October** - Girls Football Tournament - Letters have gone home to those participating

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October** - 9am - Harvest Festival

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October** - 11.00 - Holy Communion and Baptism at All Saints, Kirby Cane

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October** - Half Term

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October** - 10.00 - Morning Prayer at St. Mary's, Ellingham

**\*New Date\* Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October** - Football League Tournament - Letters have gone home to those participating

**Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October** - Parents Evening

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October** - PTA Decorate a Pumpkin Competition

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November** - PTA Autumn Cake Sale

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November** - 1.00pm - PTA Meeting at the Geldeston Locks

**\* New Date \* Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November** - 3.30pm - 4.30pm - KS2 Grammar Session for parents/carers with Ms Kenyon

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October** - 10.00 - Morning Prayer at St. Mary's, Ellingham

**\*New Date\* Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November** - Football League Tournament - Letters have gone home to those participating

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November** - Parents Evening

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November** - PTA Non Uniform Day in exchange for £1

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December** - 3.15 - 5.00pm - PTA Christmas fair in the school hall

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December** - 3.15 - 5.30pm - PTA whole school Christmas party



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# SEA LIFE

Great Yarmouth

**OCTOBER HALF TERM STUDENT OFFER - This letter entitles you to receive 50% off the walk up admission price per person when you visit SEA LIFE Great Yarmouth (up to 5 guests).**

**Step beneath the waves at SEA LIFE Great Yarmouth and get closer than ever before to the creatures and features of the world's oceans and get ready to be amazed as you discover the stories of the oceans' most fascinating inhabitants.**



**Dive into the creepy deep this Halloween with the return of Ascarium! Follow the immersive trail to find the missing potion ingredients hidden throughout the displays, and deliver this ingredient list directly to the sea witch, who will reward brave guests for their help with an exclusive reward!\* You can also play a game of Trick or Treat, where brave visitors will reach into three mystery barrels if they dare!! Along the way, guests can also learn about some of the many monsters of the deep and some of the freakiest creatures of the sea! Join in Ascarium if you are brave enough!**

**Starting from 12<sup>th</sup> October until 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2019.**

The following terms and Conditions apply – Please show this letter or a digital copy upon arrival at the main entrance admissions desk, this will entitle guests a 50% discount off the walk up admission price per person, maximum of 5 guests. Children aged 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult aged 18 or above and all under 3 years old are Free of Charge. This letter offer is valid from 12<sup>th</sup> October until 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2019 and cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer, discounted tickets or Tesco Clubcard vouchers. This letter/offer has no cash value and sale is not permitted, any attempts to sell this letter/offer will render the reward void. This letter offer is valid at Sea Life Great Yarmouth only and remains the property of Merlin Entertainments who reserve the right to take possession of this letter offer at any time. This letter offer must be presented and surrendered at time of ticket purchase, for full T&C visit [www.sealife.co.uk/terms](http://www.sealife.co.uk/terms) or call 01493 330631. \* rewards are subject to availability. REF Ascarschool19

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