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TO FLOURISH AND REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL. LODGE

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Date: Friday 12th December 2025

Our Newsletter comes out every Friday with updates about what the children have been up to during the week, information, things to celebrate, important dates for the diary. Please take the time to read through and if you have any questions, please speak to Mrs Cave or Mrs Wood in the office.

News & Dates



This Week's Achievements

We will be having our last celebration assembly of the year next week, so all Stars of the Week, and other achievements will be in next week's newsletter.



Christmas Jumper Day

We will once again be supporting Save the Children with their fundraising by taking part in Christmas Jumper Day. We will be having this on the same day as our school Christmas lunch, Wednesday 17th December. Children can come into school wearing their Christmas jumper (with non uniform) or other Christmas clothing. If you are able to donate, please visit https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/CJD250000678





Santa Dash

On Monday the children will be taking part in a Santa Dash at the park. Children can wear their Christmas jumpers if they wish.



<u>Lost Property</u>

We have lots of lost property again. Any unclaimed items will be going in the clothing bank at the end of term. Please come and look through lost property. It is either outside, or in the office foyer.



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Swallows Trip to Westminster Abbey & The Houses of Parliament

On Tuesday the children in Swallows had the amazing opportunity to visit Westminster Abbey & The Houses of Parliament. It was a great trip, and the children learnt a lot about British history and our democracy.



Free Christmas Tree

If anyone would like to have our school Christmas tree, it is free to a good home! Please contact the office and be able to collect the tree next Friday.



Young Carers

Sometimes children take on extra responsibilities at home, and it can be hard to know where to turn for support. The Young Carers

website <u>www.youngcarersmatternorfolk.org/</u> offers helpful guidance, local resources, and practical advice for families.





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School Lunch Menu Tuesday 6th January 2026

> Margherita Pizza (v) with Tomato Pasta, Peas and Sweetcorn

> > Or

Plant Balls in a BBQ Sauce (v) with Steamed Rice, Peas and Sweetcorn

Cocoa Mousse



Change of Menu

Please note a change of menu on the first day of term.

Exciting News!

We have been selected to feature in **Tesco Stronger Starts** from January. This means that when you shop in Tesco between mid-January and the end of March, you will receive a blue token. You can then use this to vote in store for our new project - An Outside reading Shed. We want to build an outdoor reading shed which will be a cosy, weatherproof space where children can escape into the world of books.

Tesco Stronger Starts supports children and young people. The project with the highest number of votes across your region will receive up to £1,500 the second placed project up to £1,000, and the third placed project £500.

Voting for our project will be featured in Beccles, and Southwold Express, Queen Street.

Please tell all your friends and family to vote for us!



Christmas Carol Service

There will be a Christmas carol service at St. Mary's church, Ellingham on Sunday 14^{th} December at 3pm featuring Great Yarmouth's brass band. They will be serving refreshments afterwards to raise money for the church,









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School Choir

Last Saturday the children in the Ellingham School choir took part in the Bungay Voices Christmas Concert. They were all amazing and sung beautifully. Considering they have only had 5 rehearsals this is a huge achievement for them. Many thanks to Jason Collins and Jane Wells for giving up their time to run the choir. Hopefully in the new year we will get more children sign up for choir.



Eco Award

Well done to Amelia for earning her Eco badge for always doing her Eco job. She is responsible for collecting all the lost property at the end of every lunch time. Well done Amelia



Dates for the Diary

Monday 15th December - Santa Dash - Wear your Christmas Jumpers!

 $\textbf{Wednesday 17}^{\text{th}} \ \textbf{December} - \textbf{School Christmas Dinner \& Christmas Jumper Day}$

Thursday 18th December - 2pm - Skylarks Winter Show

Monday 22^{nd} December - Monday 5^{th} January - Christmas Holidays

Tuesday 6th January - Back to School



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