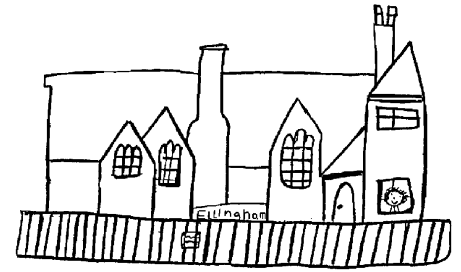


# Newsletter

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February



Ellingham VC Primary School

## Values for Life - Perseverance

The theme for next week is 'God's Persevering Love.'



## Sparrows

This week we have spent our last week on dinosaurs.

We made dinosaur biscuits and then wrote the recipe for them. We also sorted dinosaurs into groups of herbivores and carnivores.

In phonics we have now finished phase 3, but will be revisiting some of the vowel diagraphs next week.

Next week we will be looking at the celebrations happening during half term.

Our show and tell theme for next week is 'something I made'.



## Skylarks

In English we have looked at writing news reports. The Y1s wrote their own news and Y2s wrote one about the moon landing.

In Maths we have started working with multiplication as repeated addition and as groups of. Y1s have made some pictures to demonstrate this as well as practising counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

We have all loved creating fantastic art work as part of our topic and for the art exhibition. We are looking at lots of different techniques such as sculpture, printing, collage and drawing.

Enjoy your weekend, Mrs Ward 😊 and Mrs Sayer 😊.



## Swifts

### Maths

This week in maths we have worked on multiplication and division. The Pentagons and Hexagons groups have worked really hard on multiplying 2 and 3 digit numbers and have learnt how to use long multiplication to do this. They have all been brilliant at this and learnt a lot.

The Triangles and Squares have done grid multiplication and division by repeated addition. These two groups have made loads of progress this week and are quickly turning into maths geniuses.

### English

In literacy we have been writing instruction leaflets on how to look after animals. For example, 'How to look after a Polar Bear'. We have had a lot of fun thinking of ways to keep our wild animals happy and how to feed and clean them. Next week we will write them in neat and make them look amazing.



## Swallows

### Literacy

This week we have written some fantastic conversations between Viking invaders, coming to East Anglia on a longboat! The children had to use correct speech punctuation and include question tags and reporting clauses, as well as some accurate historical detail. They are very amusing, full of colloquial speech and humour.

### Maths

We have been working on ratio and proportion, and scaling ingredients up and down.



## Lost Property

A reminder to come in and check lost property if you are missing items. Please ensure that all items are named so that we can return them to their owners. Pen fades quickly so please check and remark when necessary. **We will be donating all items that are left at half term to the clothing bank.**



## PTA Movie Night - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb

Information has come home this week about the movie night being organised by the PTA. Please can you return your reply slips by Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb.



## Sharing Assembly - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February

Our sharing assembly for Sparrows and Skylarks will be held next Friday in the school hall at 9am. Parents and carers are all welcome.

## Soft Archery After School Club Y1 & 2

Due to popular demand, this club is now full. A text message has been sent to the parents of children who have got a place.



## Data Protection

A reminder to return your forms **no later than Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**. Please can you read both of these carefully as they contain very important information.

## Times Tables Olympics

Well done to these children who have achieved the following levels in the Times Tables Olympics;

Edie Vass & Reuben Munslow - Bronze

Lilah Marsham - Silver

Isabelle McDonald & Lola Vass - Gold



## World Book Day - Wednesday 28th

### February

We will be celebrating World Book Day again this year. Children are invited to dress up as something to do with a non-fiction book. During the day there will be lots of activities based on World Book Day.



## Valentines Cake Stall - Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Feb

The PTA are having a valentines cake stall after school on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February. They would appreciate any donations of cakes to sell on the stall. The PTA will be handing out plates on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>. Please also visit the stall for some lovely goodies.



## Uniform

As I am sure you are aware, children frequently sit crossed legged on the carpet during lessons. To avoid any embarrassment, please can we ask that you ensure your child's skirt is of a reasonable length to maintain their dignity. Alternatively, tights **must** be worn under their skirt.

## Rugby Stars



Well done to our rugby stars in Swifts class. They all put in man of the match performances this weekend playing for their different rugby teams at Beccles RFC.

## 'Fruit Kebab Friday' - 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb

Thank you to all who sent in fruit today for 'Fruit Kebab Friday'. All the children enjoyed their fruit kebabs at break time. Thank you also to Alison Wren, Mel Berycz, Jenny Napthine and Sarah Beveridge who came in to help prepare the kebabs. We wouldn't be able to run these events without your support so we do appreciate your help.



## Valentines Disco - Kirby Cane Village Hall

There will be a disco in the village hall on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February. Children aged 4 to 7 years can attend from 2pm until 4pm at £3.50 per child and children aged 8 to 11 years can attend from 5pm until 7pm at £5 per child. This is being organised by Sarah Hanlan (Stanley's Mum) so please see her or the village shop for more details and tickets.

VALENTINE DISCO



## Year 4s Cycling Course

Please remember to return your consent forms ASAP.



### Eco Rangers Transport Survey

The Eco Rangers responsible for transport, Matthew, Joshua and Charlie, collected data this morning on how we travelled to school today. 90 children were asked and these are the results;

Car                    84 Children  
Walk                  4 Children  
Scooter               2 Children



As the weather improves, please try to walk to school more often. Walking not only keeps you healthy, it means there are less cars around for pollution and congestion. Less cars at school also means it is much safer for the children.

### E-Safety

It has been brought to our attention that an app named ROBLOX can be used in inappropriate ways. If your child uses this app please check if they have any 'friends' listed that you do not recognise.

### Change to Dessert on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb

Norse will changing the dessert on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February to a heart shaped decorated biscuit.



### Dates for the Diary

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February - 09.15 - 11.45 - Joy of Food in school hall

**\*New date\*** Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February - PTA Valentines Cake Stall after school

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - 09.00 - Sharing Assembly for Sparrows and Skylarks - All welcome

**\*New date\*** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - 15.15 - 17.30 - PTA Movie Night

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Last Day of this half term

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Half Term

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February - Back to School

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February - Y4s Cycling Course - Bikes and helmets required

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February - 09.15 - 11.45 - Joy of Food in school hall

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February - Swimming Gala 2<sup>nd</sup> round at UEA for those who qualified

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February - Forensic Science Day at Hobart High School

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February - Y4s Cycling Course - Bikes and helmets required

**\*New date\*** Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February - World Book Day - Dress up as something to do with a non-fiction book

**\*New date\*** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - Banham Zoo Trip for Sparrows and Swifts

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March - Parents Evening - More details nearer the time

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March - Parents Evening - More details nearer the time

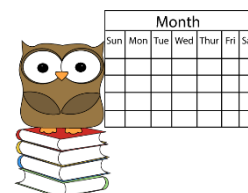
**\*New date\*** Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March - Non uniform day in exchange for a boxed

Egg for Easter Bingo - More details to follow

**\*New date\*** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - PTA Easter Bingo - More details to follow

**\*New date\*** Tuesday 27<sup>rd</sup> March - 14.30 - Swallows & Swifts sharing assembly - More details to follow

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Last Day of Term



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