

Newsletter

Friday 28th June



Values for Life - Thankfulness

The theme for next week is 'Saying Thank You.'



Sparrows

This week in Sparrows our focus has been 'The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch'. We made our own sandwiches and strawberry cakes for a Lighthouse Keeper's picnic, which we had on Wednesday afternoon. We have also looked at pulleys and how they work as the Lighthouse Keeper used one to transport his lunch. On Thursday we had our trip to the Royal Norfolk Show, which the children absolutely loved. We saw lots of different emergency services personnel and vehicles in the emergency services village, we saw a variety of animals in Mr. Mawkins farm and watched a marching band in the grand ring. There are lots of photos and videos on Tapestry if you'd like to see them. Please can we remind parents that children really do need sun hats and sun cream in school. We've had many days recently that have started cloudy but ended up really warm and sunny.



Skylarks

In maths this week we have been building on our knowledge of shapes by sorting, comparing and reasoning about 2D and 3D shapes. We have constructed our own shape sculptures and used the correct mathematical vocabulary to describe them.

In English we have been practising our handwriting, spelling and punctuation and have enjoyed lots of pirate stories and poems.

We had a great day at the Norfolk Show - the children were all really well behaved and made some wonderful observations.

Quick reminder - If you could bring back your consent forms for next week's Time & Tide visit. Don't forget the children are allowed to dress up as a pirate on that day.

Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Ward 😊 and Mrs Rix 😊.



Swifts

This week has been assessment week for Swifts and they have worked very hard to complete their tests. As well as this, Swifts, (and Mrs Bailey!), have been having a marvellous time making props and rehearsing for Oliver! Mrs Bailey has been very impressed to see all of the wonderful talent and enthusiasm we have at Ellingham. Mrs Kenyon, Mrs Wells and Mr Collins are all working very hard at nurturing this talent into what will be a fantastic performance.



Yesterday we all had a wonderful day exploring the delights of The Royal Norfolk Show. We firstly ventured to the Grand Ring where we enjoyed watching a horse and carriage event and a vintage car display. Swifts were then very excited to spot some Romans on horseback in the distance with red plumes upon their helmets. It was actually The Royal Household Cavalry Mounted Regiment but still seemed rather fitting. The children watched in awe as they gave an amazing display. We also had a lovely time in the science and sports zones.

Well done Swifts for a hard working week!



Swallows

Swallows class have been having a lovely time on their residential to Hilltop. We have posted some photos on our new Facebook page and will be adding some more soon. They have also been busy rehearsing for the summer production.



Walking Bus

Due to the popularity of the walking bus, it now runs on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please can you see the office to put your name down if you want your child to be included.

The walking bus meets at 8.15am in the Olive Tree Car Park. We will operate every week, unless there are adverse weather conditions, in which case, a message via the Whatsapp group will be sent out.

Please note that for those who live outside of the village, the owners of The Olive Tree have said that it is ok to use their car park as a safe dropping off point. **Please do drive into the car park slowly and carefully as there are lots of children moving around. Please also refrain from using the carpark to turn around. Pulling in slowly to drop off is fine, but please then continue to drive on.**

We are extremely grateful to Rafe and Gail at The Olive Tree for supporting the walking bus and allowing us to use their car park as a starting point.



Royal Norfolk Show

The children all had an amazing day at the Royal Norfolk Show. There were lots of fantastic activities for them to take part in, as well as shows in the arena to watch and animals to look at. A huge thank you to all of our parent helpers who came along to help. I'm sure you will all agree this is such a worthwhile trip for the children. Well done to all the children for their fantastic behaviour, we are very proud of them.



Beccles and Bungay 'Top Class'

Photo

Don't forget to get your Beccles and Bungay Journal today for the leavers photo in the 'Top Class' supplement.

Beccles & Bungay
JOURNAL

Class Attendance

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. This will run from the previous Friday to the current Thursday. Let's see which class can get 100% attendance every week.

Sparrows - 86.67%

Skylarks - 89.23%

Swifts - 96% Very close Swifts!

Swallows - 96.67% Well done Swallows! 😊



Out of School Achievements

Katie and Megan cycled 25 miles last weekend as part of the Diss Cyclathon. This is fantastic girls, well done!



If your child has achieved something amazing out of school, please speak to the school office.

'Fruit Kebab Friday' - 5th July

A reminder that it is 'Fruit Kebab Friday' next Friday. Please can the children bring in a piece of fruit, already prepared, if possible. We need parent helpers to prepare the fruit kebabs so please let the office know if you are available to help. The children will all get to enjoy a fruit kebab at break time.



Summer Production Date Change

We have had to change the dates of the summer production. It will now be on **Wednesday 10th July at 1.15pm** and **Thursday 11th July at 6pm**. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Raffle Tickets for the Summer Fete

Don't forget to return you sold raffle tickets to the school office, or one of the PTA ladies. They are £1 per ticket and £5 for a book. We have some great prizes, raffle will be drawn at the summer fete. We have more tickets in the school office, if you need some more.



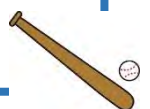
Class Photos

Please don't forget to return your order form no later than **Monday 1st July**. Any orders after that must be made directly to Tempest.



Rounders Tournament

Well done to Josh, Freddie, Charlie, Dulcie, Henry, Natasha, Dexter and Theo for taking part in the cluster rounders tournament. Everyone played really well and had a great time. A special mention to Natasha who got commended for her fantastic fielding!



PTA Ice Lollies for Sale

The PTA will be selling ice lollies after school on a Friday this week. They will be 50p, so don't forget to bring in some change.



Request for Items

We need the following for the summer production; old wallets and top hats. If you have any of these, please bring them to the school office, thank you.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 1st July - Tempest Class Photo orders due in

Monday 1st July - Year 5 Languages day at Hobart High School

Thursday 4th July - Transition Afternoon

Friday 5th July - Skylarks Time & Tide Museum Trip - Please dress up as pirates!

Saturday 6th July - Pirate themed Summer Fete 12noon - 3pm

Monday 8th July - Transition Afternoon

Wednesday 10th July - 1.15pm Summer Production Afternoon Performance

Thursday 11th July - 6pm Summer Production Evening Performance

Wednesday 17th July - Transition Afternoon

Thursday 18th July - Sports Day - Parents are invited in from 1.30pm

Friday 19th July - End of year celebrations, Party in the Park for Reception and KS1, 6pm - 8pm
KS2 Disco.

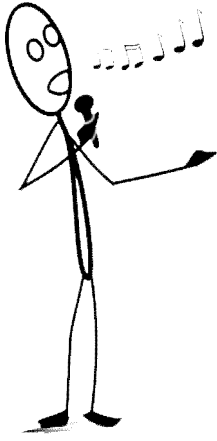
Wednesday 24th July - Last Day of Term



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Sing Song

When : 29th, 30th, 31st July & 1st 2nd Aug.

Where : Bungay - with qualified, CRB tutor

What : Songs from shows, world songs,
Improvisation, singing in harmony

Who : Children 8-14

Time : 10am - 2pm bring own lunch + drink

Cost : £20 per session or £90 for all

Concert at 2pm on Friday 2nd August

Call **William Drew-Batty** BA, MA, ATEC **07503 993 235**