

NOVEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER



**Confident and Healthy Individuals
Successful Learners
Responsible Citizens**

Our Vision



Message from Mrs Board

We have had a super busy November, seeing the nights drawing in and the weather has sadly stopped being so mild. Wet break times are upon us and the Christmas tree has arrived today!

The children have had a great time learning and sharing this with others, our Family Learning Day was a great success with many families joining us to learn all about being a great friend. Road safety week has reminded everyone how to behave around roads and traffic, and a visit for the lovely Norfolk Children's Book Centre has enabled us all to pick a new story to curl up with a blanket and a hot chocolate.

Staff have had a twilight safeguarding session recently to update our training and ensure our practise is of the highest quality. And finally, the lath and plaster issues are being dealt with in the foyer and other areas in the school. Hopefully it will mean that we may be back to a normal start to the day for everyone soon!

Mrs Board

Foodbank Contact

If any of our families need food, support you are more than welcome to contact them directly and they will arrange for food vouchers to be issued. They can be reached on 07826 376343 or alternatively they can be contacted via email at info@northnorfolk.foodbank.org.uk

Young Carers Group

The Benjamin Foundation are launching their new library group designed with Young Carers in mind. This is the first group and they are really hoping it will be a success so it can continue and hopefully be developed in other libraries across Norfolk. This is for Young Carers aged 8 years and up (under 8 years will need to be supervised by an adult over 18). This will take place at Hellesdon Library, NR6 5QB on Monday 2nd December @ 3.15pm–4.15pm. You do not need to book but if you do need further information please contact rowena.cove@benjaminfoundation.co.uk

RSPCA Visit

As part of Hedgehogs learning, they are finding out about people that help us in our local community. Amongst other visitors that have come to see them, the whole school including Hedgehogs had a visit from Ben who works with the RSPCA. They learnt about all about how to care properly for animals, and why the RSPCA is so important.

Children in need

Thank you to everyone for your amazing support for Children in Need on Friday 15th November we raised an amazing £241.81.



Absence from school

Please remember that our school doors close at **8.55am**, if your child arrives after that time, they will be marked as late. If this is a regular occurrence, it could lead to an attendance panel meeting.

As we progress into the winter months, please remember that children can attend school with minor ailments such as a sore throat, headaches, runny noses or a slight temperature. The office will call if we feel that they are unable to be in school. Please see the below information to support your decisions.

It is really important that you call school to inform us if your children is going to be absent or late for the day.

Ways to make sure you are on time for school-

- Set your alarm 10 minutes earlier
- Get all uniform and bags ready the night before
- Wash lunchboxes and get most of the lunch items ready, make sandwiches and put them in the fridge the night before
- Check the weather- be prepared to scrape the ice off your car!

New Staff Member

As you all now know, Mr Gibbons will be leaving us at Christmas, we are very pleased to let you know that Mrs McIntyre will be joining us in January to teach our YR5/6 class. She is coming to us with lots of experience and we know that you will join us to make her feel very welcome at our school.

Family Learning Morning

We had so many parents, grandparents' aunts, uncles and cousins attend our Family Learning Morning which was so nice to see and the children loved having their families in to see them and learn and make such lovely items based around friendship with them.



Ordering Dinners

Please remember to order your child's dinner every day. The office staff are currently filling in gaps on parent pay using their knowledge of the child and what they like to eat, however, this is not their responsibility. There will come a point where if you haven't ordered a lunch, there won't be one ordered and the office will call you to bring one to school for your child.

If you need any help with Parent Pay, please contact the office and they will go through it with you.

Breakfast & Tea Club

Breakfast & Tea Club is now up and running if you would like to book your child a space, please do so via Parentpay. A morning session is £5 and an afternoon session is £7.50.

School Attendance

Our school target is **96%**, we continue to be below our target.

Mrs Bloomfield is our attendance officer and will be in contact if there are specific concerns about your child's attendance.

Month	Attendance %
September	95.5%
October	95.6%
November	94.3%

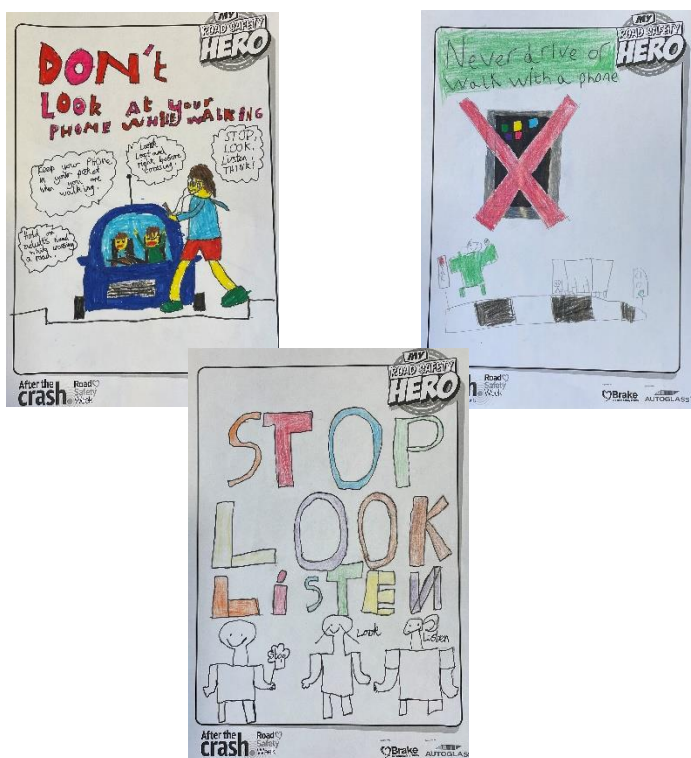
Book Sale

The Children enjoyed their visit from 'The Norfolk Children's Book Centre' today and each class had several wonderful stories read to them which they thoroughly enjoyed. We hope you all enjoyed browsing the books at the end of the day. If you didn't get a chance, please visit the bookshops yourselves- it's just up the road from us and has thousands upon thousands of books to choose from!!



Road Safety Week

The children have been learning all about how to be safe around roads. It is especially important as in our village there are parts that have no footpaths. Please remind your children to wear helmets if on scooters/bikes and particularly now, to wear high visibility items so that they can be seen. Badger Class have created some posters to encourage good safety around roads- well done Badgers!



Key Dates

December 2024

- Mon 2nd** – Assessment week
- Mon 9^h** – Hedgehog & Fox Classes Nativity dress rehearsal
- Tues 10th** – Hedgehog & Fox Classes Nativity @ 2pm
- Wed 11th** - Hedgehog & Fox Classes Nativity @ 5pm
- Thurs 12th** – Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner Day
- Tues 17th** – Presentation of Learning
- Thurs 19th** – Christmas Carol Concert @ 2.30pm - parents welcome
- Fri 20th** - Break for Christmas Holidays

Headteacher Award



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Betsy	Working hard to improve her handwriting
Buster	Great motivation within all his learning
Willow	Being so kind and helpful always
Sienna	Motivation & determination to succeed in and out of school
Sophia	Always being so kind, caring and helpful to everyone
Elliott B-C	Being so kind and helpful
Sophie S	Fabulous motivation with home learning
Evie G	Always being motivated to do her work
Kianne	Her general perseverance and being positive in school
Olivia	Always being motivated with her work
Lawson	Remarkable motivation to try new challenges and to do his best
Eamon	Fabulous motivation in his focus and attention to detail with work this week.

Mrs Lydia Board – Headteacher