



# Newsletter

Dear Parents,

The half term finishes in a blaze of sunshine. Lets hope the weather holds over the bank holiday weekend for us all to enjoy.

Congratulations to all our Y6 pupils who worked so hard and showed their best during the SATs tests. We were very proud of all of them. They celebrated with a visit from the ice cream van on the Friday after their last test. We now await the return of their tests in July. Results will be made available to parents in their end of year reports which will be published at the end of term.

Y5 enjoyed a successful visit to London Zoo last week.. This trip was part of the studies of rainforests and enabled them to enrich their learning in a world famous setting.

Y4 have been working hard learning about how volcanos work, looking at the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in Pompeii and researching Shakespeare, sharing the story of Julius Caesar and writing their own playscripts.

Y3 invited parents to share their learning at a maths café last week. Thanks to all the parents and grandparents who were able to come along. Y3 have also been working on a new project led by Norwich City Community Sports Foundation. The WOW project aims to improve personal, social and health education.

This term we have welcomed some new pupils: Charlie Cutter and Ella-Rose Key in Year 3, Ellouise Russen and Holly Thomas in Year 4 and Sophie Cutter in Year 5.

I hope you all have a good break next week and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 5th June.

Yours sincerely,



## PTA Spring Fayre

This Friday is the PTA Spring Fayre. The format is new this year and will be similar to the successful Christmas Fayre.

There are stalls selling a variety of arts and crafts, adult and kids tombolas, hot and cold refreshments and a raffle.

## School Branded Uniform

We have been aware that some families have been waiting too long for branded PE kit, which they have ordered, to be delivered. Our current supplier, School Trends, delivers to school in batches when a threshold of orders has been reached.

As a result the PTA have sourced a new service where deliveries are made on single orders and will be delivered direct to home. The new supplier is Tesco which is able to provide an extended range, an online service and speedy deliveries to your door.

The PTA will have samples of the new kit available for inspection after half term. The PTA will write to you separately when the new service is up and running.



## **Staffing**

Recruitment is underway to meet our needs for September and this year we are increasing to a four Y3 and four Y4 classes. As a result I am delighted to announce that we have appointed Miss Kelly to join our teaching team from September. Miss Kelly has already been with us since Easter supporting pupils in Y6 with their SATs and now helping pupils throughout the school with English and maths. We are delighted to have secured her services permanently. We are now in the process of recruiting support staff.



## **Growth Building**

Building will begin after half term on the class base which will eventually be the new Y6 classrooms. There will be some disruption to access via the top playground as the term progresses. We will be working with the contractor closely to ensure that this is kept to a minimum. The contractor will be coming in to talk to the children about site safety and we hope that the children will be involved at various stages of this exciting project.

## **Half Term Events**

The Norfolk Records Office are hosting two exciting workshops during the holiday.

Silhouette Selfies—Thursday 1st June

History Detectives—Friday 2nd June

These activities are aimed at 8-12 year olds.

For more details or to book a place please visit

[www.archives.norfolk.gov.uk/events](http://www.archives.norfolk.gov.uk/events)



## **Safeguarding**

This term we have been focussing on teaching children how to stay safe online. PCSO Casburn came into school to talk to children and parents about E Safety. Also Mr Clarke has been asking children about their views on what we can do further.

As part of this work we have been made aware of pupils posting photos of other pupils online. Please monitor your child's activity online, and remind them that they should not be posting any photos of other pupils without their permission.

## **Ella's Big Chop**

Please help support Ella from Firecrests. She is donating at least 14" of her hair to The Princess Trust on 17th June to help make their real hair wigs for children going through treatment that has caused them to lose their hair.

You can make a donation online at [justgiving.com](http://justgiving.com)—search for Ella's Big Chop (Kayte Smith). Thank you for your support.



## **Falcon Grounds**

Sadly over the last few weeks we have suffered some vandalism to outside furniture and also a scooter that was left overnight was stolen from the bike shed.

We are in the process of removing and replacing the damaged benches and tables. Please help us by ensuring that bikes and scooters are locked and not left overnight.



## Jaguar F1 in Schools Project



Three teams from Falcon went to Sprowston High School earlier this month to take part in the regional finals of this project that has been running for a few years. The project encourages children to design, produce and market a racing car. The judges from Jaguar quizzed our teams closely about their designs and were impressed with all their hard work.

At the end of the day, *Hazardous Prodigy*z (Robert Brzeczek, Danny Cracknell, Oliver Durrant and Tommy Hill) won and together with the second placed, *Ultra-Excel* (Ali Cicek, Adam Edmondson, Kennedy Smith and Callum Williams), their prize is to go forward to the National Finals which take place in the British Motor Museum in June. I will let you know how they get on. Congratulations to all who took part.

### Upcoming Dates for the Diary

#### May

Fri 26th

Break for Half Term

3.10pm



#### June

Mon 5th

Return to School

8.40am

Wed 7th

Kiwk Cricket

Details tbc

Fri 9th

Y6 Bridewell and Castle Museums

In school day

Tues 13th

Y4 trip to Castle Museum

In school day

Thurs 15th

PTA Fathers Day Gifts

Details to follow

Fri 16th

Sing Up Festival

Details to follow

Wb Mon 19th

Arts Week

In School Day

Y6 Sports Day

Tues 20th

Y5 Sports Day

Wed 21st

Y4 Sports Day

9.00am—3.00pm

Thurs 22nd

Y3 Sports day

9.00am—3.00pm

Fri 23rd

Arts Week Exhibition

3pm—5pm

Theatre club trip to Theatre Royal

In school day

Sat 24th

Arts Week Exhibition

10am-12noon

Mon 26th

The NED Show performance

In school day

Wed 28th

Royal Norfolk Show visit

In school day

#### July

W/b Mon 3rd

City Sports

Details to follow

Thurs 13th

Transition Day

In school day

Fri 14th

PTA Non Uniform Day

In school day

Wed 19th

Y6 Leavers Party

6.30pm—8pm

Thurs 20th

Y6 Farewell Assembly

1.30pm-3.00pm

Fri 21st

Break up for Summer

3.10pm

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