

Narborough Newsletter for week ending 19 April 2024

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see the children return to school after the Easter break and quickly settle back into their learning. Otters Class have enjoyed handball in PE and have made a great start in the learning about decimals. In writing, Foxes Class are learning about how to write instructions and really enjoyed playing 'Pok-a-tok' outside. Squirrels Class have been particularly enthusiastic in their learning about Queen Elizabeth I. This week, the children in Hedgehogs have really enjoyed learning about mini-beasts. We are delighted to welcome Mrs Leanne Harvey who has joined us as our Foxes class teacher. We are also pleased that Miss Clifton will be extending her teaching in Hedgehogs to a Thursday, joined by Mrs Gemma Farr on a Friday. Mrs Farr has worked with us in our other Federation schools and is a very experienced and positive teacher whom we are pleased to welcome back.

Upcoming Events next week

See Diary Dates for details.....

- 24th April - Year 1 & 2 trip to Walsingham Shrine

8th July: A Narborough 'Old Pupil', Michael Martin, who went to Narborough, leaving in 1970 and now lives in New Zealand, is visiting our school on the 8th July. He would love to meet up with anyone who also went to Narborough around that time or even more wonderful, was in his class. Please could you ask your parents, friends and neighbours if they knew him, and if so, get in touch with us. Many thanks!



Attendance Awards - w/e 21/03/24

Class	%
Hedgehogs	98.39
Squirrels	100
Foxes	91.67
Otters	96.3
Whole School	96.15

Well done to:

Squirrels for achieving the highest attendance the last week of term with a perfect 100%.



Reminders and Information.....

Congratulations

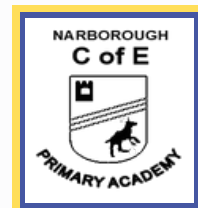
Well done to Esme Y this week for achieving the Lunchtime Award for always being lovely, kind and polite at lunchtime.

It is always lovely to hear about ways in which our children are trying to make a difference to their local community. Well done to Theo W, who along with his scout troop, has helped to plant over 300 trees in Swaffham as part of a project to provide more green spaces in the town. Thank you for your hard work- I am sure many of us will benefit from their endeavours.

Reminder: We are no longer using Parent Mail. In order to pay for lunches or school trips, you will need to pay through Arbor. The easiest way to do this is to download the Arbor APP.

Sponsored Read

A huge thank you to those of you who took part in the sponsored read challenge. I am delighted to report that your efforts have raised a magnificent £861 which will be spent on purchasing new books for each class to enjoy.







AWARDS

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Hedgehogs Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Brodee	Super sound work when tackling new words
Writer of the week	Lilly 	Excellent minibeast labelling and describing
Mathematician of the week	Lizzy 	Super number work (1-20)
Shining Light 	Sophie	Settling into her new class so well and working brilliantly
Reads at home 	Well done to:	Kitt for 200 reads

Squirrels Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Oliver B	improving his reading skills at home and in class.
Writer of the week	Elsie 	writing some brilliant facts about Elizabeth the first, on her first week here at Narborough!
Mathematician of the week	Jaxson 	being super speedy in finding 1 more and 1 less with numbers to 50.
Shining Light 	Oliver G	always being kind and helpful around the classroom.
Tackling Tables	Well Done	Pavitha
Reads at home 	Well Done	Joey



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Foxes Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Megan	Excellent participation in reading lessons.
Writer of the week	Khloe P	Great productivity in writing.
Mathematician of the week	Arthur	Using accurate mathematical vocabulary.
Shining Light	Sophie	Being helpful and trying her best at all times.
Tackling Tables	Well done to:	None this week
Reads at home	Well done to:	Finley for achieving 200 reads at home.

Otters Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Ashden	using 'Point, Explanation, Evidence' to construct clear and precise answers.
Writer of the week	Elsie	always applying her skills to produce beautifully presented, well structured writing.
Mathematician of the week	Nicole	using precise mathematical vocabulary.
Shining Light	Oscar	always being kind to others.
Tackling Tables	Well done to:	Gabriela, Izabel, Noah, Oscar, Macie and Theo T for achieving certificates this week.
Reads at home	Well done to:	Maddie and Libby for achieving 25 reads at home. Libby for achieving 50 reads at home. Lucy for achieving 75 reads at home. Theo T for achieving 100 reads at home. Theo W, Macie and Elsie for achieving 200 reads at home.



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Help with online safety::



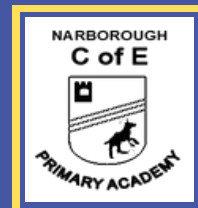
The CEOP website, run by the National Crime Prevention agency, gives helpful advice about when and how to report your concern.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Get-help/Reporting-an-incident/>



See these links for further information, games and tips:

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/4_7/
https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/
<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>



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Safeguarding

Here are some resources to help you keep your child safe online:

Apps to help children stay safe online

The BBC has a website and app called Own It. The website helps children navigate their online lives, and the free smartphone app comes with a special keyboard which can intervene with help and support in the moments that children need it the most. It can be downloaded for free in the Google Play Store and Apple App Store.

SafeToNet is an app for parents to help them protect their children from online risks like cyberbullying and sexting, while respecting their child's rights to privacy. The SafeToNet Foundation is providing UK families with free-for-life access to SafeToNet during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak.

If the links do not work for you, this guidance can be found by searching Gov.Uk 'Support for Parents/Carers to keep children safe online'

Message from the Executive Headteacher....



It has been a real joy this week to welcome all the children back, and in particular I enjoyed our Federation Collective Worship, where we talked about having a growth mindset. This means knowing that your learning is not fixed, and that if you can't do something, you just can't do it yet, and that to achieve a target you need to break it down into small steps and tackle each part at a time. The children are super at contributing to these and shared some lovely examples of their own targets this term, both out of school and in school, such as becoming a better defender in football, improving joined handwriting and doing it in every book, not just English and getting better at riding a bike. It has also been exciting ordering some items through our wonderful PTFA and Friends' groups, so watch out for some super equipment coming your way children! Thank you to everyone who supports PTFA and Friends events, either by being on those groups or by attending with your money! I am working hard this term to try and fund raise for some technology so if you work for a big company that may match-fund or simply donate, please do get in touch; thank you!

Narborough Parent/Teacher/Friend Association (PTFA)

Welcome back to the new term. If anybody would like to come and support on the PTFA we would love to see you.

Upcoming events to follow are:

- Non-Uniform Day
- Adult Bingo
- Summer Fun afternoon
- Summer Disco



Prayer for the Week

Dear God,
Thank you for the Easter we've all had, spending time with our family and friends. Thank you for the amazing beginning of the term.
Amen

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Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Miss Christina Maskell
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