

Narborough Newsletter for week ending 13th September 2024

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! It has been fantastic to see everyone return after the summer break and welcome our new starters. The term has got off to an excellent start, with children settling quickly into their new classes.

News from the classes:

Hedgehogs: Our Nursery and Reception children have already been working incredibly hard. This week the children have enjoyed creating self portraits, choosing whether to use pencils or paints.

Squirrels: This week the children have particularly enjoyed their writing lessons, using adjectives and nouns to describe a dragon.

Foxes: Children in Foxes Class have been researching a country within Europe to write a fact file.

Otters: This week, the children in Otters have enjoyed their PE lesson, developing their skills in Tag Rugby.

Upcoming Events next week

See Diary Dates for details.....

- o **11th September - Reception Class Photo by the Lynn News**
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Attendance Awards -w/e 6/9/24

Class	%
Hedgehogs	100
Squirrels	95.65
Foxes	94.44
Otters	100
Whole School	97.2

Well done to:

Hedgehogs and Otters.
Oh dear, all Foxes and Squirrels need to improve.



Reminders and Information.....

Congratulations this week to:

Well done to Nicole for achieving the Lunchtime Award this week, for being helpful and kind to the youngest children.

Dates to remember:

Tuesday 17th September : Reception photo

A photographer will be coming in to take a photo of the new Reception children for the Lynn News. We have your photo preferences but please contact us should you have any questions.

Monday 23rd September: Active Kids Festival

Selected children from Squirrels Class will be going to LynnSport to take part in a range of sporting activities with children from other schools. Parents of the selected children will receive more information via email.

Friday 27th September: Squirrels trip to Castle Rising

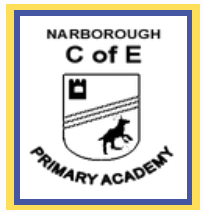
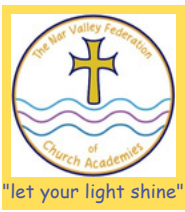
To enhance their learning in History, Squirrels class will be going to Castle Rising, exploring the castle grounds and learning more about medieval life.

Wednesday 2nd October: Tag Rugby TNHA Y5/6

A team of children from Otters class will be selected to compete against other schools in TAG rugby. Parents of selected children will receive more information via email.

Reading at home

Additional reading at home has proven to boost a child's school performance, as well as increase vocabulary, build strong communicational skills, improve self-esteem, and spark their imagination. Other benefits of reading include: reduces stress & anxiety, improves sleep, increases empathy and improves concentration. Please can you listen to your child read every day and sign their reading record. Just 5 minutes a day can have a significant impact on your child's progress. Every Thursday we will be counting the number of reads completed at home in order to award certificates during our celebration worship on Fridays.



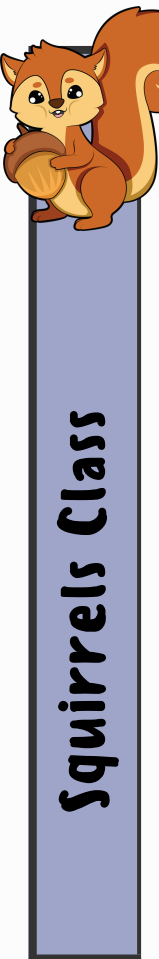
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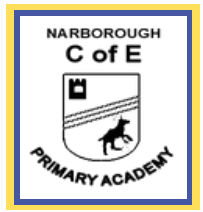


Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Charley	For working really hard in writing new sounds.
Writer of the week	Kyron	For working really hard in writing new sounds.
Mathematician of the week	Emma	For independently choosing to write a number sentence on the board.
Shining Light	Joyce	For consistently following instructions from an adult.
Reads at home		None this week. 

None this week due to transition.



Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Ethan	working hard in a trickier phonics group. Super star!
Writer of the week	Lilly	working independently and using a comma correctly when listing adjectives.
Mathematician of the week	Scarlett	separating any number into tens and ones confidently whilst using the correct mathematical language.
Shining Light	Isla	being a super friend and helping others.
Tackling Tables		None this week.
Reads at home		None this week. 



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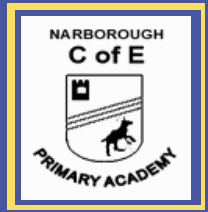
Foxes Class



Otters Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Charlotte	reading at home consistently in the first week and a half and reflecting on character feeling when reading about Daisy in The Ickabog.
Writer of the week 	Samuel	being persistent and producing writing in all lessons.
Mathematician of the week 	Reggie	reasoning methods we are learning to help add numbers mentally - make 10 and add the rest!
Shining Light 	Danny	For being a supportive friend. Danny has been actively encouraging others to try their best, motivating them to keep going when learning is tough and celebrating when his friends achieve their goals.
Tackling Tables		None this week 
Reads at home		None this week

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Reader of the week 	Adriana	listening well in reading lessons and for making a great effort to read at home.
Writer of the week	Archie	Beautiful handwriting and presentation is all his written work this week.
Mathematician of the week 	Amelia	Excellent engagement in maths lessons, contributing to class discussions and focusing well on her independent learning.
Shining Light 	Isabella	for making an excellent start to Otters class. Keep up the good work!
Tackling Tables 		None this week
Reads at home		None this week



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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/
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Safeguarding

A play to support your child with understanding the dangers of County Lines:

Please see below the details of a production aimed at Year 6 children and their families. It is in Thetford and could be very helpful.



Please don't think that 'it doesn't happen here' as Swaffham is very active in terms of County Lines and last year there was an incident

where one of our children was asked if they wanted to earn money by taking a package to someone in the village - Castle Acre.

It can and does happen anywhere and protecting your child against this by empowering them with knowledge is really important.

Message from the Executive Headteacher....

It's been a very busy and lovely week, getting round all our schools and seeing some of the children in class. Our Trust member of staff came in recently and was very pleased with all the children's learning. A huge well done to all our Reception children who have settled so brilliantly into school; we are proud of you!

I am looking forward to reading the letters of application from our Year Six pupils who would like to be our Head and Deputy Head pupils; those and the interviews are a good learning experience for the children and we want to develop the posts even further this year into taking responsibility for some areas that they believe in; being change-makers and Courageous Advocates.

If anyone would like to volunteer in school, in whatever ways they feel they can, we'd be delighted to have you; whether it is hearing children read, helping to smarten up some outside areas or clean a double decker bus, your contribution would be most valuable and welcome; please do get in touch.

Narborough Parent/Teacher/Friend Association (PTFA)

Welcome back to the new school year.

Upcoming dates:
Crazy Hair Day 4th October - £1 donation towards PTFA.

PTFA AGM - 22nd October at 3.30pm. Please come along and support your PTFA, we are really welcoming and would love to meet as many old and new parents as possible.



Prayer for the Week

Dear God,

Please help us get through climate change. Also please can you make the world a better place for us to live in.

Amen

from George



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Christina Maskell

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