

Narborough Newsletter for week ending 4th October 2024

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fun week we have had; despite the weather turning autumnal, Squirrels class had a great day at Castle Rising. Thank you to all our volunteers who came along to support us.

I also regret to inform you that Mr Pritchard, one of our amazing TAs, will be leaving us to start a new role at COWA at the end of next week. We thank him for everything he has done with us at Narborough and wish him all the best for the future. We are currently advertising for a replacement Teaching Assistant and will keep you all informed.

News from the classes:

Hedgehogs Class: This week we made Autumn leaves, learned about the Christian symbol (the cross) and made crosses out of play dough.

Squirrels: We enjoyed making clay pumpkins and writing our fact files.

Foxes: We have really enjoyed researching facts to include in our non-chronological report on The Alps.

Otters: This week we have enjoyed learning about Operation Dynamo in History and estimating and measuring angles in Maths.

Upcoming Events next week

See Diary Dates for details.....

- **7th October - KS1 Active fit festival at Lynnsport**
- **10th October - Year 3 Football festival at TNHA**



Attendance Awards -w/e 27/9/24

Class	%
Hedgehogs	99.9
Squirrels	99.13
Foxes	97.62
Otters	94.81
Whole School	96.8

Well done to:

Squirrels Class for achieving the highest attendance last week.



Reminders and Information

Congratulations this week to:

Well done to Leo for achieving the Lunchtime Award this week, for showing kindness to others at lunchtimes.

Congratulations to: Thea for being awarded the Good Samaritan Certificate this week for showing kindness at lunchtime by inviting children to play with her.

We also like to report on childrens' achievements outside of school. At the weekend Jaxson was awarded player of the match for his club - congratulations Jaxson.

Do please let us know of any achievements your child has outside of school, as we would love to celebrate them.

We are aware that there is some concern surrounding a local man who is often seen outside school. Please be aware that we have no evidence of anything of concern but that we have sought police input as we know a few families have been worrying. They have reassured us that there is no concern that they are aware of and to call 101 should you see anything.

Dates to remember:

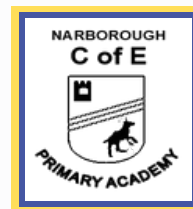
10th October - Year 3 Football Festival at TNHA - all Year 3 children will be going to take part in a Football Festival alongside other schools.

14th October - All KS2 Cross Country at TNHA.

15th October - Individual pupil photos.

21st October - Harvest Festival at All Saints Church, Narborough - 9.45 to 10.30. Parents/Carers are invited to attend to join us in our celebration.

24th October - Narborough Open Day for new reception age parents, 9.45am to 2.45pm



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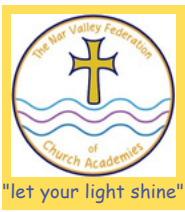
Foxes Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Leo	Persevering to read new words aloud during a guided reading session.
Writer of the week 	Bow	Being able to discuss and identify her use of conjunctions within her writing.
Mathematician of the week 	Olivia	For working hard to overcome difficulties with division and use inverse methods to support her thinking.
Shining Light 	Pavitha	For already finishing 2 Roald Dahl books since we started term - she is now onto her third!
Tackling Tables		None this week 
Reads at home	25 Reads	Elsie, Charlotte, Danny, Isla-Rose, Luna, Pavitha.

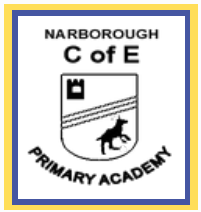


Otters Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week 	Isabelle	for using highlighters to scan and skim for information in reading lessons.
Writer of the week	Sophie T	for using a range of conjunctions accurately in sentences
Mathematician of the week 	Nicole	for applying her strategies in Maths tests
Shining Light 	Amelia	for always demonstrating our school values and writing a lovely poem about Otters Class
Tackling Tables		None this week
Reads at home 	Well done to	25 reads: Paige, George, Fearne, Freya, Sophie, Olivia, Scarlett, Ellie and Emelia



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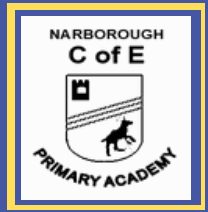
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Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Esmæ	trying really hard in phonics this week
Writer of the week	Emma 	using Fred talk to write cvc words
Mathematician of the week	Kyron	great reasoning in maths
Shining Light	Charley	for her confidence during PE this week
Reads at home		None this week. 



Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Olivia	showing resilience in phonics class and working hard.
Writer of the week 	Sophie	contributing some lovely sentences to our fact file about castles.
Mathematician of the week	Jasper	presenting his work beautifully in maths and challenging himself.
Shining Light	Joey	showing generosity by helping his friends during learning time.
Tackling Tables		None this week.
Reads at home 	Well done:	25 reads: Joey, Oliver B, Lizzy, Charlie and Kitt.



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Help with online safety::



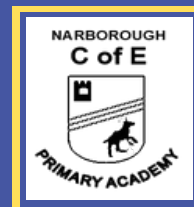
The CEOP website, run by the National Crime Prevention agency, gives helpful advice about when and how to report your concern.

<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

Online safety; Top tips from the London Grid for Learning, a charity that supports children and families.

•It's your choice - Don't let others dictate when the right time is to use tech.

•Stay involved – make time to communicate, talk about what they are doing. What do they enjoy? What makes them laugh?

•Don't quiz them – have regular conversations. What's their favourite app? What is the best site to learn new things from?

•Join in - watch them play a game and join in. Who are they playing with? Do they know the other players?

•'Show me how...' – ask their advice to help you with your privacy settings, who you should add as a friend, are there any risks?

•Lead by example - children learn as much from watching as they do from being told not to do something, so model good behaviour

*Reassure them - tell them that they won't get in trouble and that you are always there to help

Message from the Executive Headteacher....



Head Pupil Interviews;

Miss Maskell and I completed these recently. The children were a joy to interview, having prepared with carefully written letters of application and some very good ideas. After much discussion, as it was a hard decision with little to separate some candidates for the posts, we are delighted to announce Theo Taylor and Nicole Brown as Head Pupils, with Archie Taylor and Page Durrant as the Deputy Head Pupils. The post involves being a strong role-model, demonstrating and living all our school values and most importantly, being changemakers and courageous advocates - can the children bring their own ideas and energy to an issue that they have identified and make a difference? We have asked our Head and Deputy Pupils to consider how we as a school can be an active part of our community. We look forward to their input and to some exciting ventures. Well done to all the children who put themselves forward for the posts, you did a super job of being interviewed and we are very proud of you.

Narborough Parent/Teacher/Friend Association (PTFA)

A shout out for any small uniform/pants/socks that are in good condition to donate to Hedgehogs class please.

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
Thank you for my friends and family and all our food.
Amen



from Isla

Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Miss Christina Maskell
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