

# Narborough Newsletter for week ending 8th May 2026

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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## Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you all enjoyed the gift of the Bank Holiday Monday and managed to use the extra day to relax and spend time with loved ones. Although this school week has been shorter, it has been incredibly busy. Many thanks to the parents who have given up their time this week to help with the preparations for our forest school area- your help and support is really going to make a difference to all our children.

Next week, the year 6 children will be taking their KS2 SATs. They have worked so hard all year. Please ensure that over the weekend they relax, have fun (safely!) eat well and sleep well. I look forward to eating breakfast with you all on Monday morning!



Well done to this week's Shining light winners

## Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

**11<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup> May Sats Week:**  
**Year 6 Special SATs Breakfast**  
Year 6 children are invited to join us for breakfast from 8:10 (no charge) in the school hall Monday 11<sup>th</sup>-Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May**  
Year 6 trip to Wells Beach to celebrate finishing KS2 SATs!

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May**  
Game Changers in school event for Otters.

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May**  
Squirrels trip to Thetford Museum

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May**  
Whole federation Forest School day

## Reminders and Information.....

### Polite payment reminder

We appreciate it that things are easily overlooked, but please ensure payments are made in time for trips, events and clubs. Failure to do so may prevent further events in school

**ICS** Coaching

After School Clubs  
Spring 2 Half term (5 weeks)  
Football Club - Tuesdays  
Multi-Sports Club - Wednesdays

Please book places direct with ICS using this link:  
<https://icscoaching.pembee.app/>



See flyer attached for more details on our exciting Stay and Play sessions

## Weekly attendance Award

Class	%
Hedgehogs	97.4%
Squirrels	99.4%
Foxes	92.6%
Otters	96.3%
Whole School	96.3%

**PE Days**

Hedgehogs: Tues  
Squirrels: Wed & Fri  
Foxes: Wed & Thurs  
Otters: Thur & Fri

On your child's PE day please send them in in full school uniform. You can either send the PE kit on the specific day but we encourage bringing them in on a Monday and taking them home on the Friday.

## Military Families

Military Club with Mrs Jary is every Thursday lunchtime. Come along, eat your lunch, bring a friend and chat! In future we will be 'meeting' online with our other service children at Castle Acre and Sporle.

We're proud of our Service personnel and proud to support our service families. We have strong links with the RAF base and look forward to our involvement in events.

Well done whole school achieving over 96% 3<sup>RD</sup> WEEK IN A ROW

Freddie the Teddy has had a great time in FOXES this week but super excited to return to SQUIRRELS, well done 99%

# AWARDS

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Hedgehogs Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Sophia	being a fantastic role model during partner reading
Writer of the week	Evie D	having a go at writing the sounds we have been learning in phonics
Mathematician of the week	Rocco	super engagement and involvement during our maths lessons this week
Shining Light	Winter	Having a super learning attitude this week
Reads at home	Well done to	Isla for 10 reads Evie D for 150 reads Sophia for 250 reads

## Our week in class

### Hedgehogs:

We have enjoyed our phonics and made an elephant for the sound 'e'.

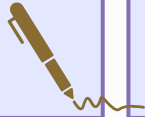



In science we have planted magic beans...

In art, we made bird feeders.



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Squirrels Class	Award	Goes to...	For.....
	Reader of the week	Kitt	working on the pace of their reading.
	Writer of the week 	Macy	persevering with her handwriting even though she finds it challenging.
	Mathematician of the week 	Rosa-Mae	successfully identifying and adding coins.
	Shining Light 	Lottie	having a positive attitude to her learning.
	Reads at home		

## Our week in class

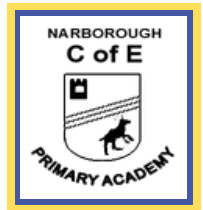
### Squirrels

We have enjoyed learning about everyday materials like plastic and wool in science.

We have also learned about spiders and how they make silk.



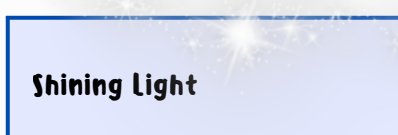

In History we have been learning about the famous Tudor explorer: Francis Drake.





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**Foxes Class**

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Charlotte	making huge improvements in reading and being able to clearly discuss what she has read.
Writer of the week 	Oliver F	a great set of instructions and being ambitious with using subordinate clauses and brackets.
Mathematician of the week 	Arthur	presenting his maths work beautifully and being resilient with dividing by 10 and 100.
Shining Light 	Danny	demonstrating kindness by helping others who have been struggling with their work and by developing a mature attitude towards learning.
Tackling Tables 	Well done to	Athea and Reggie.
Reads at home	Well done to	none this week. _____

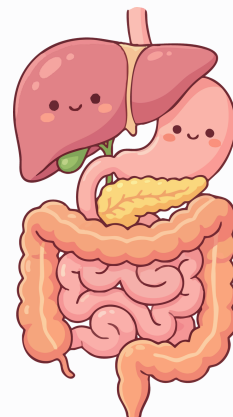
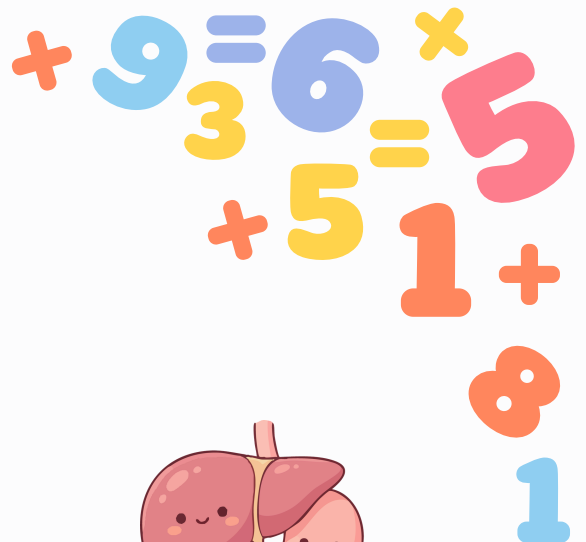
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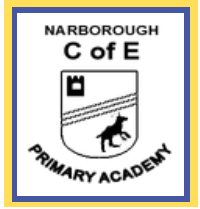
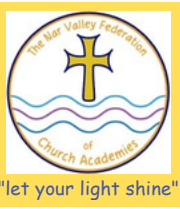
### Foxes:

We have enjoyed making mayan masks in art.

In maths, we have been dividing decimals by 10, 100 and 1000.

In science, we have been learning about the digestive system.





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Otters Class

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Chloe T	reading with good fluency and prosody.
Writer of the week 	Lacie	generating some excellent vocabulary and ideas during a writing challenge
Mathematician of the week 	Poppy	listening and focusing, acquiring new learning quickly and working hard in lessons.
Shining Light 	Emilia	always being focused in lessons and compelling her work to a good standard.
Tackling Tables	Well done to	none this week
Reads at home 	Well done to	James for achieving 50 reads at home. Isal for achieving 100 reads at home. Khloe P for achieving 200 reads at home,

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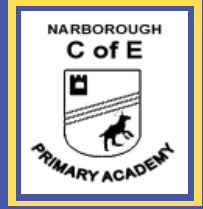
### Otters:

We have enjoyed learning about BODMAS in maths.

In Art we have continued learning about pointilism. We have been making secondary colours using only primary colours.

We have also enjoyed exploring the volume of shapes using cubes.





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### Safeguarding

Online worries:

If you get 5 minutes, please watch this [video](#), which is a clear reminder of some of the concerns regarding online use. We do not endorse this, but offer it as a resource for considering what you want for your children; every family's approach is unique to them and their choice, and we are all trying to navigate a difficult world.

### Healthy mind, healthy body

Ahead of SATS, we thought was useful to share children's ideas on how to manage worries:

This week's tips come from Narborough after school club children, so thank you to Lottie, Esmae, Emilia and Raphael:

Did you know Pintrest use has lead to the sharing of nudes between children? Do you know whether the app your child is using does this?

A really great safeguarding tip for finding out whether the apps your child are using could pull them into a private messaging situation:

Search the following:  
"Does (name the app) allows for messaging between users?"

### Message from the Executive Headteacher....



Ahead of SATS week next week, please don't forget to ensure all your children in Y6 get a good night's sleep, eat a good breakfast and that you reassure them they only need to do their best and that SATS are not scary. We tell the children that they are more about measuring how well we've taught them, and that they just need to do their best and we will be proud of them. Children always say SATS are not as scary as they thought they would be!

Well done for your learning Y6, we are proud of how far you've come.

### Narborough Parent/Teacher/Friend Association (PTFA)

If you think you may be able to lend a hand, or have any other fundraising ideas, please contact Mrs Hamilton or Miss Maskell, or speak with the office, Thank you.

### Prayer for the Week

Dear God,

Thank you for all our lives and our family and friends.

Amen

Joey



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Miss Christina Maskell  
Narborough C of E Primary Academy

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# Healthy Body, Healthy Mind



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## Healthy Body 🍌 Healthy Mind 😊

### 🚫 Healthy Body ✓

To have a healthy body you could exercise and workout regularly.



Eating fruit and veges are another form of having a healthy body.

Sweets are very unhealthy because they are full of sugar.



### 📖 Healthy Mind 🚫

Reading helps with your spelling as well as your mind.



Education is also a good thing for your mind.

Video games aren't very good for your mind.

