

Narborough Newsletter for week ending 18th September 2026

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week has flown by, and the weather certainly seems to have an autumnal feel. We have finally had some much needed rain, although this has been rather unpredicable in nature. This week, I have been so impressed by our new Values Ambassadors. During their playtimes and lunchtimes, they have been busy nominating children for the Good Samaritan Award, carefully considering how the nominees have demonstrated our school values. They also brilliantly led our collective worship on Thursday for the first time. Well done! It has also been a real joy to hear an 'excited buzz' when walking around the school and seeing children enthused by their learning. Highlights have included Squirrels class singing a very catchy song in their music lesson, overhearing some children in Foxes excitedly discussing whether objects were transparent, translucent or opaque, children in Otters using forcemetres in science, and children in Hedgehogs playing confidently with the older children outside at lunchtimes. Thank you to all the children and staff for creating such a positive learning environment.

Congratulations to Thea for achieving the Good Samaritan award. Thea demonstrated kindness by inviting a child who had no one to play with to join in with her game.

Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

24th September - Squirrels Class school trip
Norwich Castle.



W/C 28th September Parent/Carer Workshops
or Cafes. See box adjacent for day & times

1st October - Nourish Special Menu
"Mr Nourish Birthday Menu"



16th October - Tempest Photographer to
take individuals and siblings



Reminders and Information....

Our Parent/Carer workshops
2.30pm start

Hedgehogs - Tuesday 29th
September

Squirrels - Thursday 1st October

Foxes - Thursday 1st October

Otters - Wed 30th September

PE DAYS

Hedgehogs

WEDNESDAY

Squirrels

TUESDAY & FRIDAY

Foxes

TUESDAY & THURSDAY

Otters

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

Please make sure the
children have their trainers
and kits in school for these
days



Weekly attendance Award

Class	%
Hedgehogs	92.5%
Squirrels	95.2%
Foxes	99.2%
Otters	93.4
Whole School	95.5

The winner of the
Attendance Award
this week is Foxes
Class, Well Done!

Freddie the
Teddy will be
joining Foxes
this week!



Please remember we are an Allergy Aware school. We currently have children with an allergy so it is vital that nuts or nut products are not brought into school (including Nutella)

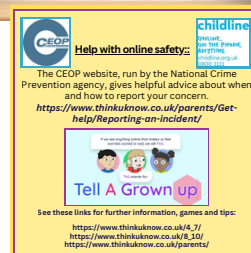
Celebration Worship

If your child is awarded a certificate,
you will be invited to join us! Keep
checking your messages on dojo.

Please note, you will only be invited if
your child is receiving an
award that week

Military Families

Military Club with Mrs Jary is every Thursday lunchtime. Come along, eat your lunch, bring a friend and chat! Our other service children at Castle Acre and Spole meet online with us each week. 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.



AWARDS

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 Hedgehogs Class 	Award	Goes to...	For.....
	Reader of the week	Joshua	Great understanding when sharing a book with an adult
	Writer of the week 	Millie	Super letter formation in phonics, taking care to form her letters correctly
	Mathematician of the week 	Emily	Brilliant accurate counting, carefully counting each object without missing any.
	Shining Light	Finley	Always being an inquisitive learner asking questions and showing a real curiosity about the world around him
	Reads at home	Well done to	Austin and Evie for 10 reads 

Our week in class

Hedgehogs:

This week Hedgehogs have enjoyed making their own songs in music.

They also really enjoyed careful counting in Maths.

They have had lots of fun making Monsters in DT.

In PE they enjoyed trying to balance beanbags on different parts of the body.



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Squirrels Class	Award	Goes to...	For.....
	Reader of the week	Cody	amazing use of Fred in your Head during phonics.
	Writer of the week 	Chester	Amazing sentence writing in History.
	Mathematician of the week 	Isla	independently working on number lines.
	Shining Light 	Lilah	incredible listening to instructions in class and being polite to others.
	Reads at home 		

Our week in class

Squirrels

This week Squirrels have enjoyed learning about the five senses on our trip to the church.

They have also enjoyed painting pumpkins in Art.

They all had a fantastic time learning to ring the bells at Church.



AWARDS

Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week	Jasper	great inferences and using evidence.
Writer of the week 	Sophie	being extremely focused and responding happily to feedback.
Mathematician of the week 	Fred	partitioning and representing large numbers.
Shining Light 	Oliver B	always being a shining light for others.
Tackling Tables	Well done to	Kitt and Oliver B
Reads at home 	Well done to	none yet!

Foxes Class

Our week in class

Foxes:

In Science this week
Foxes have enjoyed
testing reflective
materials.

In Music they have
started to learn how to
play the Ukulele.

In PE they enjoyed playing
Hockey.



AWARDS

 Otters Class	Award	Goes to...	For.....
	Reader of the week	Debora	using key words in the question to ensure her answers are precise
	Writer of the week	Esme	using a variety of fronted adverbials accurately
	Mathematician of the week	Isla	good effort in arithmetic practice and selecting appropriate strategies to answer calculations
	Shining Light	Pavitha	consistently working hard in all lessons and setting an excellent example to others
	Tackling Tables	Well done to	Athea, Yazmin, Hughie and Mia for achieving a tackling tables certificate this week.
	Reads at home	Well done to	none this week

Our week in class Otters:

This week Otters really enjoyed playing Tag Rugby in PE.

In Art they enjoyed making collages.

Otters have also enjoyed using forcemetres for Science.





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Safeguarding

Just a reminder that it is soon (possibly January 2027) going to be against the law for children to be on social media - why not take the chance to talk things through with your children and explain why they cannot be on platforms such as Tik Tok. As school staff we have to undergo some quite harrowing training about the harm that is regularly coming to children on social media, so we are keen to support you to keep your children off social media. If you can think of anything as a school we can do to help, please let us know; many of us are parents too and understand how hard this can be in today's world.

Service Families Club; Forces and Faraway families club

We have extended our club for military children to include children whose parent is away for long lengths of time for any reason, such a working off shore or living somewhere else. The club takes place physically at Narborough, supported by Mrs Jary, but we meet online with service children at Castle Acre and Sporle too, so if your child's parent is away for long periods of time and you would like them to be part of the club, please contact your Head of School or myself.

Healthy mind, healthy body

It would be great to see some competition entries - we've extended this to be a picture or model of something you did over the Summer holidays that was healthy for your mind. Entries to be in by half-term. Good luck!

Message from the Executive Headteacher....



Parents/Carers' cafes;

As you may know, we have one of these each term and are always delighted to welcome so many of you. The idea of these across the year is to support you with knowing what and how your children are learning, as well as to enjoy doing creative things together. We look forward to welcoming you!

Volunteers:

We would also be absolutely delighted to welcome you to volunteer in school to hear our children read - reading every day is so necessary for ALL our children, not just when they are in Reception to Year Two, but when they are older too. It helps develop their fluency, confidence and ability to understand the world around them. You don't have to give up a lot of time, even an hour would help 6 children be better readers, so please contact us if you have a little time to spare. Thank you in advance!

Narborough Parent/Teacher/Friend Association (PTFA)

If you have any fundraising ideas or would like to join our PTFA, please contact Mrs Hamilton, Miss Maskell, or speak with the office, Thank you.



Prayer for the Week

Dear God,

Thank you for everything we have and our family and friends.

Amen

Debora



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

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Miss Christina Maskell
Narborough C of E Primary Academy

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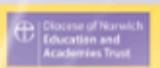
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Healthy Body 🍌 Healthy Mind 😊

 Healthy Body 🥦 ✓	 Healthy Mind 🚫
To have a healthy body you could exercise and workout regularly. 	Reading helps with your spelling as well as your mind. 
 Eating fruit and veges are another form of having a healthy body.	 Education is also a good thing for your mind.
Sweets are very unhealthy because they are full of sugar. 	Video games aren't very good for your mind. 

Healthy Body, Healthy Mind