

18 January 2019

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Assemblies this term

Our whole school assemblies this half term will focus on the theme of 'Peace'. Pupils will find out about famous peacemakers; they will also think about how to maintain good friendships and how to deal with differences of opinion.

They have already been thinking about different symbols of peace, starting with the Dove, looking at bible stories where doves are significant in representing peace or freedom (Noah's Ark / the baptism of Jesus).



This Wednesday, Tomas (whose family owns several doves) talked to the whole school about how to look after them and keep them healthy and happy. Well done, Tomas, for sharing your expertise so well.



Lunchtimes

We started a new wristband system this week for pupils in Reception / KS1 when they go into the school hall for lunches.

The wristbands are coloured according to the meal choices which have been made on a daily basis and are given out during the morning, then collected after lunch. So far, the system has worked well and has been welcomed by all the staff working at lunchtimes. (If your child brings home a wristband with our school name and phone number on it, please can you ensure it is returned to school – Many thanks).

Today a film crew came in to record the schools' VERTAS catering team in action. They are nominated for an award for most improved school team within the VERTAS company in the Eastern region. Well done to all the staff for getting this nomination!

PGCE trainee teachers

We have two more trainee teachers working with the pupils over the next few weeks (returning later in the year for their final teaching practice). Miss Hashemi will be working in Year 1 whilst Miss Mudd will be with Year 2. We are very pleased to have the strong connection with UEA and to be able to nurture and train new teachers as they start out in the profession.

If your child is unable to take part in PE, or go outside at breaktimes for health or any other reason, short or long term, please can you send it a written note detailing the reasons and for how long. Thank you.

3M's Cake Sale raised £53.80! Well done.

ATTENDANCE

Our target school attendance figure is 97%
Our current figure to date is... **96.57%**

Our attendance figure for the Autumn term was **96.82%**

Library visits

We are continuing our regular visits to the local Acle Library, as part of our plan to excite and engage pupils with reading and to show them the full range of resources available to them within a library. Reception pupils enjoyed their trip to the library earlier this week.

I liked reading books about animals too - Riley



I liked reading the animal books best - Mimi



I liked walking to the library from school - Zak

School uniform – website address change

The website address for school uniform purchases is changing to <https://myclothing.com/>

It is still the same supplier, the same clothing and prices, as well as cashback for school, it just means you will be ordering directly from the supplier rather than through Tesco. The link on our website homepage has been updated.



Save the date!!

FOSA will be holding another Bingo event on Saturday 16 March. Doors open 6.30, eyes down 7pm. Get your friends together and pop it in your diary!

Cathedral Choral Project

We are really pleased to have been invited by the Norwich School to take part in the Cathedral Choral Project later this term (27 March), along with two other Primary schools from Norfolk.

A group of around 30 pupils from Year 6, 5 and 4 will be taking part in this event, which will include two music workshops at school, run by the event organiser, Posy Walton, where the children will learn and practise songs which they will later perform.

The event itself will be a short informal concert, open to friends and families of the children concerned, at the Cathedral (4-5 pm on March 27). Pupils will sing one song as a school group, as well as singing two other pieces with the other two schools involved. We will prioritise the oldest pupils first, from Year 6, then add Year 5 and 4 pupils who also show a keen interest in being involved in the project. Unfortunately we are limited to taking 30 pupils in all. Letters will be sent out next week to pupils who have been selected to take part.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan

Tues 22 Football club Y1-3

Fri 25 Rugby training Y5/6

Mon 28 Defenders club

Please use the calendar on our school website

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