



11 January 2019

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### Parking at the start and end of the day

In the mornings the school car park gates are open so that deliveries can be made and staff from the school, as well as Pre School, can access the site easily. No other cars should be parked in the school car park at this time, apart from those who need to use the disability car park space. Parents can still access the car park, from 8.40 to 8.55 in order to drop off pupils, but cars should not be left unattended in the car park as it creates congestion, stops staff from leaving for meetings and makes the area unsafe for children.

If you do need to drop off your child and see a member of staff, or go into the school itself for any other reason, please park outside the school grounds. Please also do not park on the yellow zig-zag lines outside the school gates. This has been causing a particular issue for Pre-School parents as this is obstructing the gate and path and making it unsafe for the children. Many thanks for your co-operation in this matter.

At the end of the school day the gates to the car park will be closed. Apart from those with disability access arrangements, parents should not be using the car park at this time.

The car park is open to parents at other times, such as when dropping off pupils for breakfast club (before 8.30) and for evening clubs (after 4 pm).

We continue to encourage as many pupils as possible to walk to school and to use the Recreation car park, which is free of charge at all times.

### Staff appointments

We welcomed two new members of staff at the start of this New Year: Mr Andy Secker, who is our new school caretaker, and Miss Cassie Grainger who is supporting teaching and learning as a 1:1 Teaching Assistant in Year 3. Both of them have settled in really well to their new jobs and are already very much part of our school community.

### Lunchtime Chess Club

We are very pleased that Martin Nicholls, a keen chess player and former parent and FOSA member, will be starting a Chess Club on Tuesday lunchtimes for Year 6 pupils who have shown interest. Some of the children who will be starting the club already play chess, whilst others will be learning to play the game for the first time.

Pupils who are involved will have their lunch at the start of break then go to the Owl Club room for Chess Club at 12.40. We look forward to seeing how the children progress with their new chess skills over the coming weeks!

### Would you like to help your child with their maths?

Fairhaven Primary School, South Walsham with Norfolk Community Learning are running a fun, friendly and free 5 week 'Keeping Up With The Children' course starting Friday 18 January, 9.30 – 11.30am. You will have the opportunity to discover how maths is taught in school, how to help your children at home and develop your own maths skills. To book your place telephone the school on 01603 270224.

### ATTENDANCE

Our target school attendance figure is 97%

Our current figure is...

**96.62%**

## SATs meeting for Year 6 parents

We hope that the meeting was helpful to all those who were able to attend (which was a large majority of our Year 6 parents. For those unable to make it, we have put the powerpoint slides from the meeting on the school website <http://www.acleprimary.norfolk.sch.uk/children/revision/> along with links to some useful revision sites. Please also see <http://www.acleprimary.norfolk.sch.uk/children/maths/> for more maths help.

We have started our Booster programme of support and challenge for all our Year 6 pupils on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. This enables us to focus strongly on the core skills and approaches pupils need to use when they do the tests in May. It also gives us the chance to answer any questions and deal with any misconceptions the pupils may have, in much smaller groups.

Tuesday sessions will focus on Reading comprehension and SPAG whilst Thursday sessions will focus on Maths calculations and reasoning. Please do come and see us if you have any further questions about the programme.

## Photography & video consent form - reminder

Forms for completion were sent home at the end of November in named envelopes per family, for Years 1-6. Thank you to those parents who completed and returned these promptly. If you haven't completed and returned your forms to the school office, please can you do this ASAP, as this is part of our data protection compliance. Please note the final box is in relation to Tempest Photography who come in and take the individual and class photographs (they need this information to be able to take your child's photo and for you to then order a copy).

Please see the separate flyer relating to Family Voice Norfolk's annual SEND conference for parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs, taking place on Saturday 16 March 2019.

## 5 things parents should know about screen time

New research into screen time has just been published - but parents are still confused about how much is 'too much', says Parentzone (Parentzone support families to navigate the internet safely) They have put together some sensible evidence-based ways to think about screen time limits, for us to share with parents.

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/5-things-parents-should-know-about-screen-time>

The children in Years 3 and 4 have been working on internet safety this week, some of the children have mentioned they use an App/website called TikTok to record themselves.

[www.internetmatters.org](http://www.internetmatters.org) has stated that the minimum age for this site/app is 13 years, they have also advised that there can be inappropriate language and content on the site for younger children, and there is a risk of contact from strangers. 'internetmatters' is a really useful website for checking how suitable and safe Apps and websites are for your children to use at different ages.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan

Mon 14 Defenders club  
Tues 15 Y1-3 Football club  
Mon 28 Defenders club

Feb

Mon 4 Cake Sale 4B  
Fri 15 Non-uniform day (FOSA)

Please use the calendar on our school website

[www.acleprimary.norfolk.sch.uk](http://www.acleprimary.norfolk.sch.uk)  
for more dates

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