Walsingham CE VA Primary School Newsletter – 23rd May 2025

Have a great half term

Foxes



It has been a very fast half term! With only four weeks and four days to it, it has flown by. Next half term is always one of the busiest in school, as lots of exciting events take place and the children prepare to move into the next year group. To support our pupils with this, the children will have 'jump up' days on Tuesday 1st July, Tuesday 8th July, Thursday 10th July and Tuesday 15th July. This will give the children an experience in the next year group and will also enable us to welcome our new pupils for September. Those children in Year 2 will also get to spend some time in Badgers to help alleviate any anxieties they might have as they venture into KS2.

Our learning theme of 'Animals' has now come to and end and after half term we will be finishing the year learning about 'Dinosaurs'. I know that many of the children are excited for this topic, especially as we are going on a trip to the Dinosaur Park!

This half term in mathematics, our oldest children have finally finished the unit of money - hurrah! They have moved onto the unit of fractions (my favourite!) and are tackling this well. They've enjoyed identifying parts and wholes of shapes and objects and are now getting to grips with halves and quarters before they move onto thirds. Our EYFS pupils have been developing their knowledge on shape. They have been looking at shape arrangements, discussing the word 'rotation' and manipulating shapes to create pictures.

In English, we finished The Tale of Peter Rabbit. A firm favourite among many of our younger pupils. The children got to grips with the tale and retold this clearly, adding in lots of detail about Peter and his mischievous adventures into Mr McGregor's garden!

The children have been working hard creating artwork for the Salthouse Exhibition. We have a range of work to display and we are very impressed by the skill and technique the children have shown. We do hope that you manage to visit the exhibition so you can see your child's lovely work on display. The exhibition is from the 4th to the 10th June.



The Pilgrim Federation

Picnic Lunches



The children will have the opportunity to take part in picnic lunches after half term. This means that those children that bring a packed lunch or choose a school packed lunch will be able to eat this on the school field during the warmer days.

This will begin after half term, so please check what your child would like for lunch in advance if it is a sunny day if they would like to eat outside. Thank you for your co-operation.

Badgers



Children enjoyed our Earth painting day on Tuesday with visiting artist, Candide Turner-Bridger. We made our own paints using soil from the playing field, West Runton and Hunstanton and then used them to create pictures of animals. Some will be on display at the Art Exhibition in June.

In Science, we have been learning about plant lifecycles and we have also made observational drawings of flowers. Again, some of our work will be on display at the forthcoming Art exhibition.

Lily-Rose and Freddie completed their SATS tests last week – well done to them! They are getting ready for high school now and are both looking forward to visiting APHS after half-term.

Running club for Badgers is going well and I'm impressed to see how quickly the children's stamina is growing – they are very much leaving me in their wake now! Many made it to the end of the Holy Mile this week. We still have places available for Tuesday Running club sessions after half-term – just let us know if you'd like to add your child to the list.

FORTHCOMING DATES:



Please note, some dates have been revised.

Fri 23rd May - Break Up for May Half Term
Mon 2nd June - Return to School
Mon 2nd June - Year 4 Multiplication Check (from this date.)
Friday 6th June - Walsingham Visiting Salthouse Art Exhibition
Mon 9th June - Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week
Friday 13th June - KS2 Rugby Match at Langham
Tuesday 17th June - Whole School Litter Pick at Friary Hills, Blakeney
Wednesday 18th June - Stay & Play Session for New Intake
Monday 30th June - Sports Day at 2pm (Reserve Date: Monday 14th July)
Tuesday 1st July, Tuesday 8th July, Thursday 10th July & Tuesday 15th July - New Reception Intake Transition Sessions
Wednesday 2nd July - Friday 4th July - Year 6 Transition Days
Wednesday 9th July - Wells Beach Trip - Whole School (Reserve Date: Thursday 17th July)
Monday 7th July Year 6 Leavers Trip (Revised Date)
Tuesday 15th July - New Reception Intake Parents Meeting
Wednesday 16th July - Foxes Trip to the Dinosaur Park
Friday 18th July - Whole School Trip to The Bug Parc
Monday 21st July - Year 6 Leavers Service
Monday 22nd July - Break Up!

Sports Day - Monday 30th July at 2pm

Whole School Earth Painting with Candide

The children were very lucky to welcome Candide Turner-Bridger, a local artist that paints landscapes using earth. Candide provided the children with the opportunity to collect their own soil from the school field and turn this into paint. The children sieved and ground different types of soil and added tree sap and water to create paint. They sketched photographs of insects and animals and then used their earth paints to fill them in. Some of the paintings were exceptional, individuals taking note of the different lines and colours needed for their sketches. Mrs Wilson and I will be going through the artwork and choosing a selection to display at the Salthouse Art Exhibition, so do keep an eye out when you visit!








Secondment Week

Starting the week of the 23rd June, Miss Frier and I will be taking part in a secondment. This means that we won't be in school for this week as we will be supporting practice and gaining experience in another setting. Should you need to contact either of us that week, please send a Class Dojo message or email and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

If you have any queries during the school day, please speak with Mrs Sands, Mrs Wilson or Mr Snowdon.

Any questions, please let me know.

Ice Cream Friday

After half term, the children will have the opportunity to purchase ice creams after school on a Friday. Ice creams will be £1 and can be purchased on the school playground for your child to enjoy!

