# Walsingham CE VA Primary School Newsletter – 9th May 2025

## Good Luck to the Year 6's

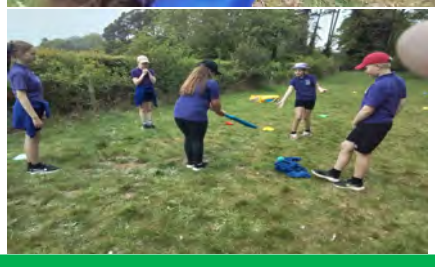
**A note from Miss Collison**

The children have been back at school for just over two weeks and wow it has been busy! Already both classes have been on a class trip to Morston Quay to create some wonderful masterpieces ready for the Art Exhibition and we have had our Federation Founding Day. We had perfect weather for Federation Founding Day and the children enjoyed completing activities at Sheringham Park alongside their peers from the other schools.

We have sent out a reminder on Class Dojo about uniform so please check this to ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform. The weather is always changing, so please dress your child appropriately for each day. On warmer days, we do ask for children to have sun cream applied before school and for them to be sent in with a sun hat so that they can take part in outdoor play.








**Little Cubs Pre-School**

We are pleased to say that the nursery was approved and will begin from September 2025!



**Collective Worship**

This half term in Collective Worship we are revisiting the values of 'friendship' and 'compassion'. We are reflecting on how we can be a good friend and how we can show compassion towards one another. This links to our new 'Purple Bricks Award' which will be awarded to children that are showing acts of service within school and around the community. These bricks will be celebrated during Collective Worship and added to a Pilgrim Federation Wall at the next Federation Founding Day. If you think your child has gone above and beyond and completed an act of service, then please do let us know.

Whilst we reflect this half term, we consider the Bible quote 'Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help."

As always, you are invited to join us for Celebration Worship every Friday from 9am. Tea, coffee and biscuits are served whilst you wait.

## Foxes



This half term has been super busy already. I can't believe we are halfway through already. We have been so immersed in our learning and the children are really keen to explore the new learning theme 'Animals and Pets'. The children have been excited to talk about their pets at home, share their experiences of animals and it has been nice to arrange some visits from pets which will take place in the coming weeks!

In our English lessons, we have been looking at the focus text 'Lulu Gets a Cat'. The children have been learning about non-fiction texts and how they can be used to retrieve information. Our KS1 children have been thinking about imperative verbs and how these are used in command sentences and have been creating mind-maps of time connectives in preparation for writing a set of instructions based on 'How to Look After a Cat'. Our EYFS children have been thinking about cats and their needs. They have been writing facts about cats and how to look after them before writing simple instruction texts.

In mathematics this half term, our KS1 children have started off focusing on the topic of money. They have tackled this extremely well and have enjoyed comparing amounts of money, calculating with money and thinking about different amounts that can be used to make totals. Our EYFS children have been looking at numbers to twenty and beyond. They have started to add two numbers together and have really shown an increasing confidence with this. Well done!

Our art lessons this half term are focusing on sketching and the use of shade and tone. The children have been learning how to draw insects using detail. They have then added colour to these - some of the drawings are incredible and you will see these at the Art Exhibition. Our youngest children have been thinking all about pets in their Expressive Art & Design sessions. They have been creating pets from paper plate, adding different materials to them to represent their features.

In our RE lessons this half term, we are focusing on the big question 'What is the good news that Jesus brings?'. We have been reading the story of Jesus and his disciples and thinking about how this links to friendship. We have also been thinking about diversity and how we are all unique. The children have enjoyed talking about their friends and their talents.

**Just a reminder to all parents that we do expect all children to read to an adult every day for five minutes. This really makes a huge difference to their reading progress and their all round education, so please do take the time to do this and fill in your child's reading record.**

## Badgers



This half-term seems to be whizzing by! Our new learning theme for the Summer term is World War Two and children seem very interested in this topic. One or two have asked to share the experiences of family members and I'm very happy for them to do so. We will organise a special 'Show and Tell' session later in the term for this purpose. If your child would like to take part and they have photographs to share, please feel free to send them to me via Dojo or email so that we can display them on the interactive whiteboard.

Our current class book is 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll – a mystery story about two WW2 evacuees. Children are enjoying the story and they have written some good pieces on the back of it.

We enjoyed our art trip to Morston last week and were very lucky with the weather as it was a beautiful morning. Pupils had the opportunity to depict the scenery using watercolours and drawing pencils. We are hoping to display some of their work at the Art Exhibition in June.

Our two Y6s, Freddie and Lily-Rose, have been working hard in preparation for their SATS tests next week. We are all proud of their efforts and wish them the very best of luck!

## FORTHCOMING DATES:




Mon 12th May - Thurs 15th May - KS2 SATs
Monday 20th May - Earth Painting Day with Candide
Fri 23rd May - EYFS/KS1 Federation Arts Morning at Hindringham
Fri 23rd May - Break Up for May Half Term
Mon 2nd June - Return to School
Mon 2nd June - Year 4 Multiplication Check
Friday 6th June - Walsingham Visiting Salthouse Art Exhibition
Mon 9th June - Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Week
Tuesday 17th June - Whole School Litter Pick at Friary Hills, Blakeney
Tuesday 1st July, Tuesday 8th July, Thursday 10th July & Tuesday 15th July - New Reception Intake Transition Sessions
Tuesday 7th July - Sports Day
Wednesday 2nd July - Friday 4th July - Year 6 Transition Days
Wednesday 9th July - Wells Beach Trip - Whole School
Thursday 10th July - Year 6 Leavers Trip
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!



