



Friday 4th October 2019

I always love hearing how amazing our children are – especially from people outside of school. So I was particularly pleased to hear from the rugby coach, how well Skylarks had represented the school at their recent Touch Rugby session. They are working towards a development day in Wymondham later this term and they are certainly off to a flying start – keep up the good work! The weather has definitely turned this week and we have had some very soggy and chilly children in school. From now on please do make sure that your child is wrapped up warm and dry so that they can enjoy being outside this autumn.

Mrs L Watts – Acting Headteacher

Erpingham Village Play Area

Responsibility for looking after the play area at the village hall has fallen back to the Parish Council. The area is looking a little bit sad and the equipment is beginning to rot beneath the bark chippings. On **Sunday October 13th** a group of volunteers are meeting at the park to tackle some of the work which needs to be done. If you would be able to help them in any way, please talk to Barbara for more information

Think of the week...

Does your dog train you to throw sticks for it?

from a book by Ian Gilbert

Toys

There have been lots of children bringing in toys from home. Please remember that children in Blackbirds are not allowed to bring in toys, unless they are specifically for show and tell as we find that they cause too many disagreements. Children in other classes need to remember that if they bring in toys to share with their friends then they may get broken and this would be upsetting for you. If it's anything which is special to you – please leave it at home!

This week in class...

Little Brown Hare: In Little Brown Hare the children have been enjoying finding minibeasts and discovering how to look after them carefully. Autumn has definitely arrived and the children have enjoyed exploring this outdoors, making giant spiders webs to play with. They were lucky to have a visit from Julie's Finnish friend, Maarit, who enjoyed seeing what life is like in our wonderful pre-school.

Blackbirds: This week Blackbirds have completed their launch into space. They have been composing music to accompany their journey through the galaxy and writing acrostic space poems with some wonderful words.

Wagtails: The children have been busy this week completing their space launch instructions for NASA. They have made sure that they are clear and precise and have also drawn some really accurate diagrams. Let's hope that they help NASA to complete their launch manuals.

Skylarks: Children in Skylarks took part in a Touch Rugby training session with Soul Phoenix from Touch England. They represented Erpingham School brilliantly and Soul was incredibly impressed with their positive attitudes and team work. Well done! I

Friends' News

Don't forget...Bug Hotel, Clothes Bank, Eco Bricks

Thank you to everyone who came to the planning meeting this week, as a school we really appreciate everyone's support. Look out for lots of exciting fundraising events coming soon – we will especially be looking to raise money for books for our school library. Tickets for the film night will be available soon.



Rainbow Awards this week...

Nicole-Leigh for being kind and helping another child to scrape their plate (on Nicole-Leigh's first day!)
Tyler for helping other children in class
Lily-Beth for always producing incredible work
Charlie-May for super Maths work outside of class
Sahara for super Maths work outside of class
Louie for brilliant team work in rugby
Jemma for excellent all round effort
Leo for super effort in Maths this week
Freddie H for fantastic vocabulary choices in his space poem



Blickling SPA event

Every year the Parent and Friends associations from each of the schools in the Aylsham cluster, come together to organise an amazing afternoon of fun activities for the children. Traditionally, not many children from Erpingham have attended so why not brave the rain and come and join us tomorrow afternoon for activities based around the National Trust – 50 things to do before you're 11 ¾ theme.

Saturday 5th October – 2-4pm – Blickling Hall

Trees

Some volunteers from the friends group have very kindly removed the lower branches from the trees on the main field as children were climbing them during and after school. However, some children are continuing to climb the trees which is unsafe. Please could you make sure that your children don't climb the trees after school has ended. There are lots of opportunities for the children to climb bigger and safer trees with adult supervision when they are in Forest School!

Dates for your diary...

Saturday 5th October – SPA event at Blickling Hall 2-4pm **Fantastic, free fun!**

Thursday 10th October – **Family Learning afternoon @ 1.30pm – ALL WELCOME**

Monday 14th October – Friends Movie Night (**WALL-E**) @ 3.30-5pm

Friday 11th October – Wagtails' trip to Children's Book Centre (am)

Friday 18th October – Skylark's trip to Children's Book Centre (am)

- Messy Church @ 2pm **ALL WELCOME**

Monday 21st October – Friday 25th October – Half-term