



Friday 1st November

Welcome back to everyone, I hope that you all had a relaxing and peaceful (!) break. The children have been very excited to tell us all about the fun things they have been up to over the week. You will have noticed that Jo Fenner, from Erpingham Primary, has been helping us out in the office each day. She has been a great help and I'm sure you will continue to make her feel welcome. We are busy recruiting for our new office assistant and should have more news for you soon. As the weather turns chillier again, please can you make sure that your child has warm clothes for PE. They need long sleeved tops and hoodies or tracksuits so that they can stay warm whilst enjoying their outdoor sessions. I hope you have a good start to term and I look forward to seeing some amazing learning very soon!

Mrs L Watts – Acting Headteacher

This week in class...

Pre-school: The children have settled back really quickly after half term and our book of the week - **Tilly's At Home Holiday** and word of the week – **holiday**, have led to some really good conversations about the children's own experiences. We have also been exploring the properties of some fabulous pumpkins donated by Mr & Mrs Ward - we have found the biggest, tallest, smallest, roundest and bumpiest and had a lovely and rather messy time discovering what's inside them.

Acorn: Acorn class have been writing invitations for the Space Buggy Exhibition on Wednesday 6th November. The invites will be coming home shortly and everyone is welcome to come! The children have also been busy creating signs describing their buggies features.

Oak: In Oak Class the children are writing news reports of the moon landing from the perspective of aliens. This has involved some nostalgic viewing of *The Clangers*! In maths we are learning about Area and perimeter and how they are linked. Year 4 children are understanding negative numbers. The year 6s enjoyed learning about safety around the home at the Crucial Crew event. They now know how to plan an evacuation in the event of a fire, contact emergency services, avoid hazards near water and lots more!



We have renewed our subscription to SumDog which is a brilliant website for children to use to practise their maths skills. As an added bonus, we now also have access to their reading and grammar games. Children in Oak class should already have their login details so if they're unsure please ask Mr Coe. Why not try out some of the games over the weekend?

Now that Halloween has been and gone, it will soon be time for Christmas! Make sure you check out the dates below so that you know when everything is happening at this busy time.





Arabella and Beau are continuing in the theme of thankfulness this month and are working hard to find presents for the Norfolk and Norwich hospital so that everybody gets a gift on Christmas Day. It would be fantastic if we could help them with this project – if you could donate small colouring sets or toys, crayons and pencils or toiletry sets or gifts for adults, these would be very gratefully received. Arabella and Beau will be meeting with someone from the hospital on November 22nd to give their gifts. If you have any donations, please bring them into the school office. Thank you and well done to Bella, Beau and their family.

Dates for your diary...

Monday 4th November – KS2 cross country event at Blickling

Wednesday 6th November – Space Buggy exhibition @ 3pm – **All welcome**

Thursdays 7th , 14th, 21st and 28th of November – **Oak** swimming

Friday 8th November – Act of Remembrance with the British Legion @ 2.45pm - **All welcome**

Sunday 10th November – Northrepps Remembrance Day service – War memorial @ 10.50am

Monday 11th November – Astronomer to visit Acorn and Oak

Tuesday 12th November – Dog's Trust workshops

Wednesday 13th November – Individual and sibling photos, including preschool from 8.45am

Wednesday 13th November – Pre-school visit to Alby book centre

Thursday 14th November – Planetarium visit for all children

Friday 15th November – Children in Need – muffin day £1 per child

Friday 15th November – Acorn visit to Alby book centre

Tuesday 19th November – Y6 trip to the aviation museum

Friday 22nd of November – Oak visit to Alby book centre

Monday 25th November – Y3/4 athletics event at the UEA

Thursday 5th of December – Oak swimming (Forest School potentially swapped to Wednesday 4th)

Friday 6th of December - Foundry Arms carol singing and lights' switch on

Tuesday 10th of December – Christmas production in the village hall @ 5pm

Wednesday 11th of December – Oak and Acorn to Pantomime am, Pre-school

Thursday 12th of December – Christmas lunch and class parties at school **VENUE CHANGED due to the general Election**

Friday 13th of December – Mrs Hamilton's last day – details to follow