



Friday 11th June 2021

Dear All,

I hope that you all enjoyed the half-term holiday, what a delight to be able to be out in the sunshine! As always the children have settled quickly back into school and returned to their 'Explore' topics.

This week to holding collective worship together as a school outside. It was wonderful to be able to gather together and talk about why this worship time is so important to our school family. We are also beginning to plan other events but, at the moment, are unable to confirm dates or whether parents will be able to attend. We hope that more information will be announced by the government on Monday and we will update you as soon as we possibly can.

Mrs L Watts – Executive Headteacher

This week in class...

Pre-school: Preschool have been continuing to look at and talk about shapes and this week. We have concentrated on 3D shapes such as cubes and spheres. The children have also been looking at and discussing pictures of children at play from around the world. They noticed many differences but also similarities to how they play. We have used Shark in the Park as a story board this week and some children have had fun adding own characters and changing the story-line to suit. Just before half-term, preschool helped construct the school's Bug Hotel and we are looking forward to making this a base for future bug hunts.

Acorn: Acorn have been on an exciting journey this week as they boarded their plane to Kenya. The children thought about what they needed to take with them to a hot country and made their way through the airport and onto the aeroplane. They have started to learn about some of the differences between the UK and Africa but, more importantly, about some of the similarities. They will continue to learn about Kenya over the next few weeks.

Oak: This week in Oak class we have been learning all about our key concept of sustainability. The children have been learning about what makes settlements and cities sustainable and have started to design their own sustainable city. In Maths YR5/6 have been learning all about converting different measurements, including time and imperial and metric units. In spellings we have been learning words spelt with ie and ei. See if you can test them on the rules.

Nicola Newt We are very sad to announce that Nicola Newt (Mrs Poole) has decided to leave us as Forest School leader at the end of the term. Nicola has been an invaluable part of the team for over 10 years and her hard work in establishing Forest School was a big part in the increase in numbers which has kept our schools sustainable. Nicola is almost irreplaceable and we will miss her enthusiasm, passion for learning and sense of humour! Nicola is moving on to pursue her future in counselling and we will be very sad to see her go.

We are currently recruiting for a new leader and will update you with plans for September as soon as we can.

STEM Ambassador arrives (Well virtually anyway!!)

Our KS1 and 2 children at both Erpingham and Northrepps met Sam Lee and heard all about what inspired him to work in the world of aviation. He kindly organised some exciting, flight related challenges for the children to try in class and at home. We believe this is an important part of our role in widening children's opportunities and raising their aspirations for the future. Thanks to Sam for organising and presenting such an interesting event.



NEWSLETTER



An appeal from Preschool - does anyone have an old gazebo or parasol with base hidden away that they could kindly donate to preschool to provide some much needed shade? If so, please contact Tracey in preschool. Any assistance you could give us would be very much appreciated.

Dates for your diary

Year 6 Surf School – Tuesdays - 15th June, 22nd June, 29th June, 5th July

Year 5/6 Forest School – Thursdays 24th June, 8th July,

Year 3/4 Forest School – Thursdays 17th June, 1st July, 15th July