



NEWSLETTER



Friday 7th October 2022

Dear All,

Autumn is in full swing and school is full of acorns, conkers and the discovery of all that Autumn nature has to offer. At this time of year we look to the celebration of Harvest and coming up next week we have a visit from the Cromer Foodbank who will be doing a special assembly for all the children on Tuesday. Following this we will be sending out information about our annual collection for the Foodbank and our Harvest celebrations.

In an effort to ease parking at school the church have very kindly offered their car park for any parents or carers who would like to "park and walk" either at drop off or pick up times. Please do take advantage of this if you are able.

Best Wishes

Mrs E Sacre – Executive Headteacher

This week in class...

Little Brown Hare - This week we have been tasting a variety of apples, adding a sprinkle of cinnamon or ginger, discussing which ones we like the best. With the apples left over the children printed an Autumnal picture.

We like to visit the school library at least once a week, here the children can choose a book to bring back and enjoy. Providing children with a range of high quality books so that they learn new vocabulary and develop a love of books and reading. We share stories daily, and we have focus books which the children get to know really well as we plan some activities around them, acting out the story and using props or objects to help the children learn. This month our focus books are 'Little Red Hen' and 'Hairy Maclary'

Blackbirds - Blackbirds Class have been doing lots of writing this week - we have been writing about our paintings, writing about science and writing pages for a class book. The children enjoyed a science experiment with marbling inks, seeing what happened when we added them to water. We found out that the inks floated in the water, instead of mixing in (which is what we thought would happen). The children were excited by how the ink came off onto a piece of paper when we put it on the water. In maths, we have been doing lots of work on number lines, making our own with numbers, out of numicons, using pebbles and writing the numbers. We have also been learning more about friendship and have talked about sharing and taking turns. The children enjoyed teaching Blue Monkey what to look for in a friend, taking turns in a circle game and using a drum to play a game where no one got left out.



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Wagtails - This week in Wagtails we have been working on our biographies of David Attenborough. The children have been practising writing in the 3rd person as well as the past tense. We have started to populate biography plans and think carefully about how we make the information clear and easy to read. The children have used some of the amazing facts we have been learning about David Attenborough to 'hook' the reader in and make them want to read our biographies. We've also been looking at what it is to be an 'outsider' and how we can make our school a 'no outsider school' where everyone is made to feel welcome.

Skylarks - Skylarks have really worked hard this week as authors, writing their own version of the fairy tale Pinocchio. As you can imagine their ideas are quite diverse and varied! In maths they have practised their multiplication skills and knowledge of numbers up to 1 million. Skylarks have also learned about an artist (Alexander Calder) who liked to experiment with movement and they are responding to his work with sights on creating something in his same style. Remember we'd love to see any work from the homework challenges we set in September or puppets they have.

Forest School News - This week with Y6 the woods became very windy so we headed out into the field. We played hide and seek in the long grass and made conker puppets. We also had fun using our home made catapult and aiming at targets.

By Thursday the wind had passed and Y3/4 enjoyed creating conker spider webs and crafts using hand drills. We used the hammers to smash oak galls to make our own ink which we will let stew till the next time we are in the woods. We also enjoyed challenging ourselves climbing the big spider web helping us to build our resilience and perseverance!



Friends of Erpingham Primary School

We're excited to start our fundraising off this year with our popular movie night on Weds 19th October from 3:15 - 5pm. The cost is £2.50 per child and includes snacks and a drink.
Book your tickets with one of the Friends!

CHRISTMAS is coming! Look out next week as the children will be bringing home a letter on how they can design their own Christmas cards.

Also just a reminder we have our AGM on Wednesday 19th straight after drop off - everyone welcome!



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PE/Forest School/Swimming

Blackbirds

Tuesday afternoons Forest School – Please can children come to school in Forest School kits – waterproofs and wellies should be kept in school.

Friday PE – Please can children come to school in PE kits and trainers.

Wagtails

Wednesday PE - Please can children come to school in PE kits and trainers

Every other Thursday Forest School - Please can children come to school in Forest School kits and bring packed lunch. See dates below for which week your child has Forest School.

Skylarks

Monday PE (unless swimming that week) - Please can children come to school in PE kits and trainers.

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Diary Dates:

Tuesday 11th October – Blackbirds Gymnastics - children come to school in PE kit and visit North Walsham Gymnastics Club 9:30 – 11:30am **No Forest School on this day**

Cromer Foodbank Assembly

Wednesday 12th October – Year 5 Forest School

Thursday 13th October – Year 2 Forest School

Sunday 16th October – Family Harvest Service at the church – see noticeboard for info

Monday 17th October – Harvest House Event – More details to follow soon. All welcome!

Wednesday 19th October – Year 6 Forest School

Thursday 20th October – Year 3&4 Forest School

Friday 21st October – Harvest Service at the Church 9am – All Welcome Please note no swimming that day for Skylarks

Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October – HALF TERM

Open Afternoons to share your child's learning, Parent's Consultations & Family Learning Afternoon will all take place after half term and I will provide dates soon.

