



Friday 18th November 2022

Dear All,

First of all a very big thank you to the Friends of Erpingham Primary School for our wonderful new mud kitchen! It is a fantastic addition to our playground resources - Thank you!

Next week we will be holding open afternoons on Thursday and Friday 3:15 - 3:45 in all classes. Please do pop in to your child's class so that your child can share all the learning they have been doing over the term with you. Early next week we will be sending out information regarding parent consultations so please look out for this letter as it will contain all the details you need for booking an appointment with your class teacher.

Best Wishes

Mrs E Sacre – Executive Headteacher

This week in class...

Little Brown Hare - This week we've enjoyed muddy puddles and water play in the rain, floating objects and sinking object we've found around us. We've made gingerbread men and role played the story with puppets, thinking about the sly fox and how fast we can run like the gingerbread men. As the colder weather approached we have lit our wood burning stove, where we've toasted crumpets and bagels, enjoying the delicious smell of toast!

Blackbirds - This week, Blackbirds Class went out for on Autumn walk on Monday. It was really beautiful weather for it. We went looking for signs of autumn and found all sorts of things - different coloured leaves, mushrooms, berries, spiders' webs and seed heads. We noticed how the autumn sun was low in the sky. As we walked, the children loved spotting places they recognised - the church across the fields, the school from a distance and the road down to school. Back in school this week, we have been making a large map of our walk, making a class book of it and drawing detailed autumn pictures in autumn colours.

BLACKBIRDS TIE DYE ACTIVITY NEXT WEEK

We will be doing tie-dye next week in Blackbirds Class. If you have not yet brought in a white t-shirt, please bring one on Monday, or see Mrs Barry if you would like one from her.

More details on Tapestry.





This week in class...

Wagtails - This week in Wagtails, we have been putting our food chain knowledge to use by creating a food chain collage. They started with their producer in the middle and then started adding consumers getting progressively bigger until they reached the apex predator in each chain. The children worked really hard on getting the correct size for each organism to make sure its prey fit in its mouth. As part of Anti Bullying Week, we looked at how we would reach out to people that needed help in our PSHE lesson. The children were really good at identifying when someone might need a friend.

Skylarks - This week... Skylarks have visited the Norfolk Children's Book Centre and listened to scary and deliciously dark traditional tales. The staff were very helpful and welcoming and the children were super excited to explore and read the wide array of books. Well done Freddie Forton for going the whole hog and arriving as Little Red's saviour as the brave hero woodcutter! Skylarks have put themselves in to Geppetto's shoes this week and their creative ideas have been flowing as they begin their puppet making.

Next week... warm up maths will be equivalent fractions on a number line. Also they can bring in any puppet materials or resources they'd need please.

SLIPPERS

Please could you ensure that your child has a pair of slippers in school to wear in the classroom.

WELLIES

The outside area is starting to get muddy so wellies are required for going on the the field at breaktimes. All children should have a pair of wellies in school at all times.



Forest School News - Year 5 worked so well together making the bean stew and flatbreads. We had some super fire lighting and enjoyed cooking our stew on it. We covered lots of the wood from the mud kitchen making mud burgers to scaling the big spider web! We all tried the stew, some were unsure at first but gave it a try and liked it! It was all gobbled up and plans were discussed for our next cooking session.

Year 2 got very wet! We stamped in puddles and collected water. We also did some Forest crafting, stitching wild creations which we later created a story circle using our creations as puppets and props! Great work Wagtails!

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MUD KITCHEN

We hope your children have enjoyed playing with the mud kitchen this week! We still need to add utensils, pots and pans so please bring anything in that you don't use anymore!



CHRISTMAS TREE TOPPER COMPETITION

Design and make a christmas tree topper for your chance to win a "pick your own" christmas tree

Bring your topper in Monday morning 28th November to display in the playground!



Movie Night "The Polar Express Experience"

on Wednesday 30th November.

Tickets are £3.50 and include a goody bag and hot chocolate!

Tickets available soon from a member of The Friends on the playground.



Design the best Christmas Tree Topper and
Win a Christmas Tree!

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£1 TO ENTER. BRING YOUR CRAFTED CHRISTMAS TREE TOPPER TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER TO BE DISPLAYED AND JUDGED IN THE PLAYGROUND, WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AFTER SCHOOL.

Prizes for the best in each class including Little Brown Hare and a free Christmas tree for the overall winner!

BBC Children In Need



Thanks for all the lovely doodle pictures
this year!

The total raised from this competition and
the non-uniform donations is

£64.00

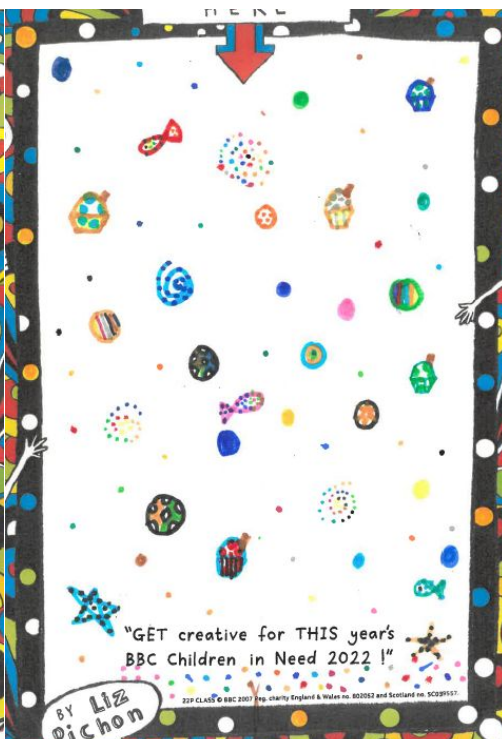
The Winners of the Spotacular
Doodle Competition, who each
win a Squeeze Goo Fuzzy Ball
are:

Skylarks -
Ellie Bray (bottom right)

Wagtails -
Teal Howell (bottom centre)

Blackbirds -
Moses Howell (bottom right)

Little Brown Hare -
Wren McDonald (right, and
receiving her prize)





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.

Every other Wednesday 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.

Diary Dates:

Tuesday 22nd November - Wagtails visit to Amazona Zoo & **Blackbirds Forest School**

Wednesday 23rd November - **Year 6 Forest School**

Thursday 24th November - **Year 3/4 Forest School** (Parents of Year 3 and 4 Forest School Open Afternoon from 2pm)

Friday 25th November - Skylarks Swimming

Saturday 26th November - **Stargazing at Hanworth Memorial Hall 6pm - Adults £5 under 16s free**

Monday 28th November - **Parent's Evenings this week**

Tuesday 29th November - **Blackbirds Forest School SCHOOL PHOTO'S (AM)**

Wednesday 30th November - Bikeability Skylarks & **Friends Festive Movie Night**

Thursday 1st December - Bikeability Skylarks & **Year 2 Forest School**

Friday 2nd December - Visit from Cat's Protection Charity

Monday 5th December - Flu catch up clinic

Tuesday 6th December - **Blackbirds Forest School**

Wednesday 7th December - **Year 6 Forest School & Friends Winter Wonderland!**

Thursday 8th December - **Year 3/4 Forest School**

Friday 9th December - Skylarks Swimming

Monday 12th December - Whole School visit to the Sheringham Snow White Pantomime!

Tuesday 13th December - **Christmas Concert and Nativity** (No Forest School for Blackbirds)

Wednesday 14th December - **Christmas Jumper day & Year 5 Forest School** (am only)

Thursday 15th December - **Year 2 Forest School (am only)** & Christmas lunch and parties - wear party clothes.

Friday 16th December - **Messy Church 2pm & End of Term**