



Friday 31st March 2023

Dear All,

Goodness what a busy term it has been! The Spring Term is our shortest term but we have managed to pack a whole lot into it, Viking days, live debates on Crime and Punishment, science week, family learning, Easter competitions, den building developments and more! A massive thank you to the staff for all their hard work and dedication, a huge well done to the children who have worked their socks off this term, and a great big thank you to you all for your continued support of our school community.

I wish everyone a very happy Easter holiday and look forward to seeing you all next term!

Best Wishes

Mrs E Sacre – Executive Headteacher

### **This week in class...**

**Little Brown Hare** - Thank you so much to our families for your understanding today. Having to close our setting is always a very last resort but unfortunately today we were not able to open safely due to staff illness. We hope you all have a great Easter and we look forward to welcoming everybody back after Easter. **Please note that on the afternoon of Monday 17th April from 1pm to 3pm, we welcome all families to join us for a community team effort to help us with a few site jobs and fun.**

**Blackbirds** - This week, Blackbirds Class went on an outing to Norwich Cathedral. We have been learning all about building and how we can use buildings to find out about the past and so we went to the Cathedral to learn about how it was built. We had a very busy day with so many different things to try out and discover. The children met Bishop Herbert, the first Bishop of Norwich, from 900 years ago. He told us about how the cathedral came to be built. We learnt about how people moved the heavy stone and how they carved it. We built arches, chiseled limestone and spotted ancient graffiti on the cathedral walls. It was a very interesting way to finish up what has been a really good term of learning.

**Wagtails** - Wagtails Class have had another busy and exciting week, with the Vikings visit being a stand out event, enjoyed by all. The children were lucky enough to handle objects and practice shield manoeuvres with some fantastic efforts being made on costumes. It was also a great opportunity to get to know some new friends from Northrepps. Everyone had an egg-cellent time at the House Easter activities and competitions with a vast array of egg rolling techniques on display! Have a Hoppy Easter!

**Skylarks** - This week...What a fantastic final week of this term. The children presented their thoughts and opinions very well at the Skylarks live debate in Wagtail's class. It was nerve wracking right until the end as the last vote was counted. Well done everyone for showing how much historical knowledge had been remembered and how to respectfully listen to the views of others and put forward robust rebuttals!

Next week... Y6's have brought home a few practice SATs papers this week to have a go at over the holidays. They have the answers too so don't panic!



### Forest School News -

Wednesday started with a lot of reflection and sharing round the fire circle, discussing dreams and funny stories. We enjoyed our favourite Forest School snack of noodles and sweetcorn and talked about what we want to do with our last few sessions next term. A lot of digging took place round the old oak tree constructing stairs and holes to live in!

Thursday was a bit mixed up between Forest School and fun Easter House activities. We spent our FS time round the pond site, checking out the frogs and discussing what we would like to do next term and creating our energy balls by painting on stones!

### Easter House Competitions

Fun was had by all on Thursday when we spent the morning in our houses enjoying all things Easter! We had an Easter egg hunt, egg and spoon races, Easter story telling and the eagerly awaited egg roll competition! Well done to our winners Daisy, Henry, Oscar and Ronnie!



Viking photos to follow  
after Easter!



A special mention for our Year 5 and 6s who took part in their debate on Thursday afternoon in front of a live audience. I was so sad not to be able to be there but I have been able to see some of the recordings. Well done to all, you were courageous, articulate and we are very proud. As one year 5 said to me "You said to us to do our very best and we really did!"

### Easter Thanks

A great big thank you to Rachel from Little Brown Hare who contacted Kinnerton chocolate factory in Fakenham. They very kindly donated a chocolate egg to each child at both schools. A welcome reward for the children for such brilliant work this term. Thank you



Friends of Erpingham Primary School  
and Erpingham Church invite you to...

# A Family Easter Service of Light

Saturday 8th April  
St Mary's Church, Erpingham



Children's Easter egg hunt 3pm - 4pm – £2.50 per child.  
Short family Easter service 4pm, starting with Easter fire  
and children lighting the candles in church.

Refreshments available to purchase, feel free to bring a blanket and picnic to enjoy together.  
All proceeds to be split between the Friends of Erpingham Primary School and Erpingham Church.



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Member Association





### DIARY DATES

**Tuesday 18th April** - Return to school

**Wednesday 19th April** -

**Thursday 20th April** - **SATS CLUB**

**Friday 21st April** - Wagtails Swimming, Skylarks PE

