



Friday 26th May



Dear All,

What a busy half term we have had! I hope you all have a well deserved rest and enjoyable half term break with some sunshine. We are looking forward to welcoming you back to an exciting and fun filled last half of the summer term.

Well done to all the children and thank you for all support and help so far this year.

Have a lovely week

Best Wishes

Mrs E Sacre – Executive Headteacher

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

**Preschool** -Preschool have been considering capacity and estimation this week. The children were asked to guess/estimate how many beads would fit in a tall slim glass or a shorter and rounder cup. They then observed that the shorter/rounder cup held more beads than the taller/slimmer glass. Construction and role-playing mummies and daddies have also been popular this week as well as having lots of muddy play in the mud kitchen.

**Acorn** - This week Acorn class have been learning about our bodies and naming the different parts. We have thought about how amazing our bodies are and the great things we can do with them. Unfortunately Forest school didn't go ahead on Tuesday, but an alternative date will be arranged after half term. Instead the class had some time over at the park exploring the equipment there and having fun. In maths we have finished our topic on fractions and now know what half and quarter of a shape and amount is. We have been doing lots of phonics revision ready for the Y1 Phonics Check after half term.

**Oak** - Oak Class have been working hard on their maths this week, combining their knowledge of maths and science to understand temperature, capacity, volume and mass. We all had a fantastic time at gymnastics, learning new skills and building on what we already know. Lots of us were brave and pushed ourselves even further. The year 3s have been working on their waterways presentation, creating a PowerPoint and then presenting to year 2. This has allowed us to practice valuable speaking and listening skills. Meanwhile, year 2 have continued to practice their knowledge around homophones and spelling key words. We are all very ready to enjoy a half term break!

**Birch**- This week Birch Class have been researching mythical creature from Greek Mythology. The children have started to create their own mythical creature for their own myths. We watched Hercules in class and discussed what makes somebody Brave?



## Forest School

Last week we had a beautiful day in our woods. We learnt a new knot called the full turn and two half hitch which we then used to create a nightline in teams. We then paired up and took it in turns to guide each other blind folded along the nightline rope. All the kids had fun making it, and were keen to practice their knot knowledge. Some also practised the sheet bend to tie two ropes together which was super impressive! We later reflected on what it felt like to be blindfolded and not know where you were going.

We had a lovely chatty lunch all together round the fire, some stayed round the fire to practice more knots or practice ones they had already tried, others enjoyed the mud kitchen and climbing the web. Brilliant team work and knotting Oak class!

## Family Learning Day

**A great big thank you to everyone that was able to come along to the family learning afternoon on Wednesday. The weather made all the difference to us being able to go outside and get creative resulting in some great story stones and characters being made.**



### Wellbeing

Regularly getting a good night's sleep is crucial to ensuring we enjoy good mental health. Over the holidays this can feel more of a challenge and it can be tempting to let our usual sleep routine slip a bit. It is well worth trying to maintain our usual pattern of sleep so we get to enjoy our school free days as much as possible. Wagtails and Oak have recently done some work in PSHE around healthy sleep routines, these included; turning of screens at least half an hour before bed, having some quiet time to play or do gentle exercise, have a bath or shower, avoid sugary foods or drinks and read before going to sleep. Here are some quotes from the children around why they feel sleep is important 'In the morning you will feel refreshed' 'It helps you have energy' 'Your mind recharges' 'You feel happy'.

Year 6's will especially benefit from this ahead of their residential trip to How Hill!

### Ideas for the holidays

Fossil hunting at West Runton Beach

Picnic at the park

West Runton Horse Sanctuary

Sticky Earth Cromer

Cromer Library

A walk at Felbrigg or Sheringham Park

Wroxham Barns

Crabbing at Blakeney

Homemade afternoon tea in the garden

Make some birds feeders  
(you just need some bird seed, lard and some string to hang them up)

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TUESDAY 30TH MAY 10:30-11:00

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Why not try a shell scavenger hunt on the beach and see how many different kinds you can find. The Countryfile website has a great page where you can identify the different shells.

<https://www.countryfile.com/wildlife/marine-life/british-seashell-guide-how-to-identify-and-where-to-find/>





# NEWSLETTER





## DIARY DATES

Monday 5th June- **First day back**, Birch How Hill Residential

Tuesday 6th June-

Wednesday 7th June-

Thursday 8th June- Yr 6 Surfing

Friday 9th June-

Monday 12th June- Birch Swimming

Tuesday 13th June- **Nature Club 3:15-4:15**

Wednesday 14th June- **Tempest Class Photos**

Thursday 15th June-

Friday 16th June-

Monday 19th June- Birch Swimming

Tuesday 20th June- **Acorn Class Trip to Sheringham Nature Club 3:15-4:15**

Wednesday 21st June- **Oak Class Broads Museum Trip** (School uniform and packed lunch)

Thursday 22nd June-

Friday 23rd June-

Monday 26th June- Birch Swimming

Tuesday 27th June- **Nature Club 3:15-4:15**

Wednesday 28th June- Cromer Academy Induction Day Yr 6 (Wed to Fri)

Thursday 29th June- Reception Induction

Friday 30th June -Reception Induction

