



15th September 2023

Dear All,

Welcome back to our new school term! We have had a lovely and sunny start to the term, and it has been great to see how well everyone has settled back into school life and routines. A huge welcome to all of our new pupils - you have all done so well settling into a new school and we hope you will love being a part of our school community.

Best Wishes

Mrs E Sacre – Executive Deputy Headteacher

This week in class...

Little Brown Hare - The children have settled back in really well and have wanted to explore the site, especially the garden with all the fruit and veg that is ready to harvest. The children have also loved making perfumes and potions this week with the lavender and herbs.

Our focus books this month are 'We're going on a bear hunt' and another book about families, we will be chatting about who we have in our family circle, our pets and where we live. Next week we will be looking closely at seeds, collecting some ready to plant for next year. This helps children to understand growth and of course decay as the plants begin to break down and get put on the compost heap. Please send in a photo of your child's family and pets for us to share.

Blackbirds - It has been exciting to start a whole new year in Blackbirds Class. Everyone has settled in really well and got off to a great start. We have all been enjoying exploring the different equipment and the new layout of the classroom and outdoor area and we have all been working together to practise our high five listening and to look after our resources. One new piece of equipment that has been very popular, is our set of tinkering blocks. This consists of wood with holes, lots of nuts and bolts and some wheels. The children have already been really creative trying out different ideas for things to make and having a go at some challenges. The tinkering blocks were bought for us by the Friends of the school - thank you so much - we love them!

Wagtails - This week in Wagtails, we have been looking at Pop Art and in particular how it is used in comic books. We looked at onomatopoeia and found that all of the words made their actual sound when you read them aloud. We all picked our favourite ones and even came up with some of our own! We then had a look at Roy Lichtenstein and saw how he made the words really stand out by making them bright and layered with different shape backgrounds. The children then had a go at making their own using paper and card. They have all produced incredible pieces. We will be looking at Andy Warhol next week and seeing how influential he was to the Pop art movement.

Skylarks - In skylarks we have had an exciting start to the term and finding out more about our theme of Evolution. We conducted an investigation which was first carried out by Charles Darwin. This was exploring the idea that in a species of finch which all started the same, their beaks evolved to adapt to the different food types available.

Continuing this work on animals we have visited the Bug Parc in Lenwade. We had an excellent time, doing some careful observational drawing, listening to a fascinating talk on leaf-cutter ants and exploring all the exhibits. We were able to handle a range of animals including a whip-tailed scorpion and a giant millipede.



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Forest School News

Wagtails Group 1 had a fun first day getting to know our woods again and practicing our green guidelines!

We made wands and a magical fairy land. We found and observed frogs, climbed and ran, whittled and played across the wood. We discussed our plans for the term and had a go at drawing our energy balls in our FS journals.

Reminder for all children to bring a change of clothes especially extra socks on forest school days. Please also can everyone bring waterproofs clothes and waterproof every week!

Online Safety

Did you know that it's not just online games that have age restrictions? Most social media sites have an age restriction of 13+ or 16+. This includes Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram and What's App.

The NSPCC have a great website with lots of information on how to keep your child safe online and guides to different social media sites.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/>

Welcome!

A very warm welcome to Mrs Allen
our new Skylarks teacher!

We hope you will be very happy at
Erpingham Primary School!

Uniform Reminder

Please ensure your child comes to school in school uniform each day. This includes:

Grey or black shorts/skirts/trousers.
White or dark green shirts/polo shirts.
Plain green or black jumper or school sweatshirt/fleece - no hoodies please.

Black shoes.

On PE days - school PE kit should be worn - no football kits or tops with logos please.

Scan for Q&A's or find on NANSAs Website.

Norwich Support Group
Supporting Families affected by diagnosed/undiagnosed
Special Educational Needs & Disabilities
at Nansa Family Centre
33 Woodcock Road NR3 3TT

MONDAY'S WEEKLY TERM TIME ONLY
10AM-12PM

Drop in at any time for chat with other parents/carers and one of our friendly Family Support Advisors

Refreshments provided

More Info :
www.nansa.org.uk/sensational-families/

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DIARY DATES

Monday 18th September - Stay and play club
Tuesday 19th September - Blackbirds forest school Sports club
Wednesday 20th September - Skylarks Forest school
Thursday 21st September - Wagtails group 2 forest school Martial arts and baking club
Friday 22nd September - Skylarks swimming

Monday 25th September - Stay and play club
Tuesday 26th September - Blackbirds forest school Skylarks Gymnastics Sports club
Wednesday 27th September -
Thursday 28th September - Wagtails group 1 forest school Martial arts and baking club
Friday 29th September -

Monday 2nd October - Stay and play club
Tuesday 3rd October - Blackbirds forest school Blackbirds Gymnastics Sports club
Wednesday 4th October - Skylarks Forest school
Thursday 5th October - Wagtails group 2 forest school Martial arts and baking club
Friday 6th October - Skylarks swimming

Monday 9th October - Stay and play club
Tuesday 10th October - Blackbirds forest school Sports club
Wednesday 11th October - Year 6 Measurement programme
Thursday 12th October - Wagtails group 1 forest school Martial arts and baking club Friday
13th October -

Monday 16th October - Stay and play club
Tuesday 17th October - Sports club
Wednesday 18th October - Skylarks Forest school
Thursday 19th October - Wagtails group 2 forest school
Friday 20th October - Skylarks swimming

Parents evening will be taking place week commencing the 16th - more information to follow.



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Coffee, Cookies & Counting



TACT(Families) would like to invite all Reception, Year 1, 2 and 3 parents/carers to join us at a Coffee, Cookies & Counting maths workshop on one of the following dates.

Thursday 21st September 1.30pm - 3pm
at Aldborough Primary School

Thursday 28th September 1.30pm - 3pm
at Buxton Primary School

Thursday 5th October 1.30pm - 3pm
John of Gaunt Infant and Nursery School

Thursday 12th October 1.30pm - 3pm
St Michael's CofE Primary and Nursery School

Thursday 2nd November 1.30pm - 3pm
John of Gaunt Infant and Nursery School

Thursday 9th November 1.30pm - 3pm
Hevingham Primary School

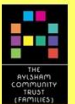
These workshops are designed to help increase confidence and knowledge in maths using simple fun activities which can be shared at home with your child. At the end of each session, you will take home a selection of resources, boxed board game and £5.00 Tesco voucher.

To find out more and book your place on any of the trust schools sessions please contact our Family Learning Co-ordinator Monica Harding on 07780 887348 or mharding@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk

We are delighted to be working in partnership with Norfolk County Council to deliver a range of learning opportunities for our families through a new government-funded programme called Multiply which aims to support adults to build confidence with numeracy skills.



Internet Safety Evening Wednesday 4th October 6.30pm Aylsham High School



Parents/carers from Year's 5, 6, 7 and 8 are invited with their young person to an informative evening promoting online safety including:

- Young people online
- Sexual exploration online
- Sharing images
- Sexual abuse online



Please book your place via Eventbrite:

<https://AHS-Internet-Safety-Evening.eventbrite.co.uk>

All queries please contact our Family Learning Co-ordinator Monica Harding mharding@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk or telephone/text 07780 887348

Just Diagnosed

A FREE 4-week course for the parents/carers whose children are suspected of having Autism Spectrum Disorders or have just been diagnosed with ASD.

Aylsham High School

4-week FREE course starts

Tuesday 26th September 12.30pm - 2pm

This course is delivered by ASD Helping Hands

What is Autism?

Understanding and Managing Behaviour

Autism and the Sensory World

Supporting Communication

Please book your place with our

Family Learning Co-ordinator Monica Harding

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