



NEWSLETTER MAY 2021



We are continuing to have a settled term following all the disruption in previous months. As I walk around the school, it has been lovely to see and hear smiles, children's helpful and kind words to each other, their thoughtfulness and co-operation.

Learning: Children are showing their positive growth mindset, being willing to try challenges ... 'I'm not sure I will like it but I will do my best'

Growing: Teachers are helping children to believe in themselves, and to recognise their uniqueness. Well being continues to be a focus through yoga, mindfulness and outdoor activities and sports participation

Achieving: Teachers are working hard to ensure that children make good progress in their learning, and achieve as well as they can this term. National tests are not taking place, but teachers will still be completing assessments to ensure their new teacher is clear about what they know and next steps

Together: Friendship has been our Values focus this half term, and we have really seen many examples of children enjoying their friendships and supporting each other. We are sharing our successes in class Bubbles, but also in our virtual celebration assembly.



Staff news

Miss Phillipot is expecting a baby!

All being well, we anticipate she will stay with Cherry class until the end of the summer term, then take her maternity leave. Miss Rayner will be joining us and taking on the role of Reception teacher until Miss Phillipot returns.

Miss Lane will be leaving us on 23 May, to take up a new post as a Teaching Assistant. She has very much enjoyed embarking her new career after being our school cook. She has completed her training and has enjoyed being part of Willow class this year. We wish her well in her new job.

After the news of Mrs Tebbutt's retirement, we have a new teacher for Willow class. Miss Allen will be joining Lyng in September.

Both Miss Allen and Miss Rayner will be visiting this term, meeting staff and pupils and finding out a bit more about our school and their new class in readiness for the Autumn Term.



Create a plate Competition Winners– Well done to Libby M in Oak who designed the winning main course and William in Cherry who designed the winning dessert.

Highly Commended were Tara, Chloe, Oscar, Jay, Emilia, Lexie G.

The winning dishes, a Chicken Salad Wrap and an Oaty Juicy Fruity yoghurt dessert will be served for lunch on Thursday 27 May, instead of the usual menu.

Well done to our 2 winners who both win a cookery book prize.

Lyng Village Scarecrow competition- see details on flyer below

We hope lots of you will be able to take part in this, either by making a scarecrow for your garden or taking the trail during half term week. Bundles of straw have appeared in school today too!

FOLS

Break A Rule Day - FOLS are organising a Break A Rule Day fundraising event which involves a tube of Smarties and socks! Look out for details! As part of this event, on Friday 28 May the children will be allowed to wear their wackiest socks or tights.

New picnic benches

With funds generously donated and raised through FOLS events, our school has been able to buy 3 new picnic benches and 6 new bench seats for the school grounds. These are made using recycled milk cartons and so should last well. They are already being used for outdoor lunch and activities. Thank you to FOLS for another excellent resource we could not otherwise have.

Parent Consultations These are taking place during the next two weeks. We are holding telephone appointments. If you have yet to make an appointment with your child's class teacher, please do so. This is a good opportunity to talk to her about how your child has settled back into school and progressed with their personal development and learning. It is also a chance to raise or discuss any concerns you may currently have.

Annual Reports will be sent out on Wednesday 14 July.

Covid update

There is a confirmed case this week from Bawdeswell Primary school, this was an asymptomatic case picked up through testing. Please continue to support us in maintaining the measures we have in place at the beginning and end of the school day, and government guidance out of school.

Schools have received no further guidance or 'road map' on a gradual return to normality from the government. So, schools do not yet know what to expect when there is the planned relaxing of all rules from June 21st. We have been looking at how we can at least continue to create a sense of normality in bringing our children together after half term, whilst keeping our risk reduction in place. We are provisionally planning events that will enable us to share in activities such as a Make Music Day, annual Sports and Leavers assembly.

We will also be having a Move Up day, and transition activities for our new Reception pupils.

Parents Consultations during weeks beginning 17 and 24 May.

11 June – In school 'Day of Calm' led by our School Sports Partnership team.

25 June – Sports Day – arrangements to be confirmed.

30 June – Olympic themed sports led by the Sports Partnership team

9 July – Move up day (Y6 to High School), all other children in their new class for the day.

12 July – Move up day Y6 only

13 July – Make Music Day – arrangements to be confirmed.

16 July – Leavers' presentation (pm) – arrangements to be confirmed.

19 July – Oak Class visit to the cathedral to see Dippy the dinosaur.

Willow Pirate Party.

31 May – 4 June Closed for half term, reopens 7 June.

School summer holidays: school closed 22 July – 3 September. School reopens on 6 September.





Lyng Village

Scarecrow competition

From the 31st May 2021 for one week

Any shape and design you would like and pop him or her or them in your front garden.

Three secret judges will go around and pick their favourite. The three winners announced in the window of the Lyng Stores on Saturday 5th June 2021.

If you would like to be placed on the map so you are not missed, please call Lucia 01603870972, £2.00 entry fee (and this will go to the FOLS and the Village funds).
Money paid to Lucia or the shop

Maps available at Lyng Store with a children's goody bag-for a small charge £1.00.

Names to be sent no later than:24th May 2021

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