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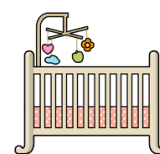
We are so pleased to see everyone's return after the summer break.

Everyone has quickly settled back to school really well and are enjoying seeing friends again. A special welcome to our new Cherry class children and families. The children have completed their transition weeks and we hope they will be happy with us here at Lyng.

We have been pleased to welcome Miss Allen as Willow class teacher and Miss Rayner who has joined as Cherry class teacher. We have said Goodbye to Ms Wylie from Oak class, and Miss Heaton, midday supervisor, as they obtained new roles during the holiday. We have been pleased to welcome back our school Cook, Miss Kashinka, with our school lunches being made on site again.

We are also delighted to share with you our other exciting news.

This week, Miss Phillpot has had her baby ... a beautiful boy! Mum, Dad and baby are all doing well!



We are now working towards being in a new 'normal.' We are doing what we can to overcome the continuing challenges to help school life feel a little more the way it should.

We miss the opportunities to have family events, such as Drop In and Explorer Cafés, and know that parents and children do too, and we will continue to look at ways we can do this safely. We are maintaining and keeping under review measures to minimise covid transmission risks as we move forward.

We have really enjoyed collective worship and celebration assemblies together as a school, as well as a wonderful musical performance from the Norfolk music service musicians.

We hope as a first step to hold our Harvest Service together with parents and look forward to seeing you there- details below.

There will be 2 Harvest Festival services at St Margaret's church.

Cherry and Willow classes will have their service at 10am on Thursday 14 October

We are able to invite 2 adults per child.

Rowan and Oak classes will have their service at 2.15pm on Wednesday 13 October.

We are able to invite 1 adult per child.

Each service will be no longer than 30 minutes.

We hope you will be able to come along and share in our celebration.

Children can bring a harvest donation for the Food Bank - we suggest cereal, pasta, tinned fish, soup tins or packets, tinned fruit/veg. Thank you.

Harvest
Festival!

At the time of writing, we plan to go ahead, but please be aware that we may have to cancel if the covid situation in / around school changes

Each half term, the whole school focuses on learning about one of our Christian Values – This half term, we are learning about Thankfulness – We will be reflecting on giving thanks for the people who help us, for the harvest and all that we have, for Creation, the importance of saying thank you.



Class Learning

All the classes have started their topics. Curriculum Information Booklets and Homework booklets have been sent home this week. They can also be found on our school website under 'Classes'. This will help you to know what your child will be learning about, and how you can support their learning. In future, these will be posted on our website. If you need a paper copy, this will need to be requested via the office.

Miss Berners has joined us once again this year to teach Music in Willow, Rowan and Oak, and Mrs Song is teaching Mandarin to Oak pupils. In addition, we have coaches supporting PE in most classes.

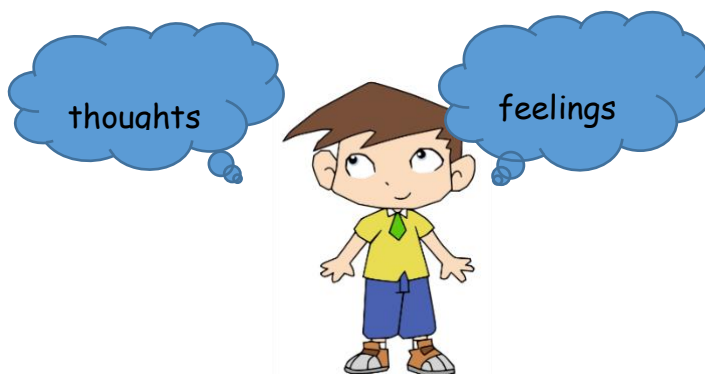
Our Sports Partnership is starting to resume inter school tournaments too.

5 Ways to Well Being

We are delighted to tell you about the launch of a wellbeing project for our school.

Research tells us that building the following proven five simple ways into our everyday lives can make a really positive difference to both children and adults alike and help to build a healthy body and healthy mind, with confidence and resilience to manage our thoughts and feelings.

1. Talk and listen - CONNECT
2. Be ACTIVE
3. Remember to TAKE NOTICE
4. Keep LEARNING Every Day
5. Acts of Kindness - GIVE to others



More information coming soon.

Contacting your child's teacher. We will be in touch soon with arrangements for Parent Teacher meetings. If you need to speak to your child's class teacher, please contact the office to arrange a telephone call, whilst face to face meetings are not taking place. If you want to let us know about admin matters, such as lunches, appointments, trips etc. or if your message is urgent, then please contact Mrs Rudd in the school office.

Cooler Days

After the initial burst of sunny days this term, the weather is getting cooler. We need to maintain ventilation through the school. It would be a good idea for children wear additional layers, vests, tights, school fleece, long trousers etc, particularly if your child feels the cold. Please check uniform and coats are named.

Safety Message - No dropping off in vehicles in the area marked with zig zag yellow lines.

This area must be kept clear at all times to ensure the area is safer for families arriving and departing.

We appreciate parents parking further away and walking a short distance- please park safely away from junctions and we ask that you make sure you are not parked across residents' driveways.

Dates for your diary

6 October – Football Festival – a team from Willow attending

7 October – Cherry visit to church

13 October –Harvest Service – Rowan and Oak 2.15pm

14 October – Harvest Service – Cherry and Willow class 10am

20 October –Rowan class visit to Gressenhall for a Stone Age Day

Half term – Monday 25 October – Friday 29 October