



February 2022



We have an exciting half term ahead, with lots going on. We are looking forward to having chicks in school as part of Willow's topic on Exciting Eggs. There are various sports events coming up in the next few weeks and Rowan and Oak class both have an Outdoor Day to Whitwell coming up. We also have World Book Day, Red Nose Day and our school is taking part in a Canaries School lunch programme this March. Year 6 will be attending the Norwich Children's Book Festival.

Easter Parents are invited to an Easter Hunt on the last day of term in the morning (weather permitting) See timings in the diary dates.

We will also have an Easter Bonnet parade for the children on the last day of term in the afternoon, and invite children to make a hat at home and wear it to school for the afternoon parade.

Staff

We are pleased to have welcomed Miss Allen's return to her class, following her absence last half term. Miss Dorr is currently away for personal reasons, and we look forward to seeing her return to Rowan class soon. In the meantime, Miss Forrest is continuing to support Rowan class.

Miss Phillpot is due to return from her maternity leave during the last week of term. This means we will be saying 'Goodbye' to Miss Rayner who has been a super teacher for Cherry class in Miss Phillpot's absence. Miss Rayner and Miss Phillpot will be working closely together in the next few weeks to ensure a smooth handover.

Covid Update

There has been no new guidance for schools following the further relaxing of rules on Monday 21st February (at the time of writing).

We are therefore following the guidance which states that where a child or adult is a confirmed Covid case, they stay off school for 5 days and then wait for 2 negative Lateral Flow tests taken 24 hours apart. We will continue to send home any children who display possible symptoms of the virus.

We are continuing with the hygiene and cleaning measures, as well as continuing to check our CO2 monitors and ensuring regular ventilation.

Parent Consultation Meetings

We are pleased to be able to return to 'face to face' meeting for our Parent Consultation Meetings. There will be an option for a Google Meet for any parents who would prefer or are unable to attend Covid reasons (for example you are in an 'extremely vulnerable' group and are taking steps to minimise contacts).

Please take this opportunity to talk to your child's teacher about their progress and next steps.

Parent Consultation meetings will take place during the week's beginning 7 March and 14 March.

Details on making appointments will be sent out to all families.

Our Values

This half term we will be learning about **Justice**. Children will be learning about Justice as: treating people fairly; making wise decisions, seeing the whole picture; Keeping God's rules.

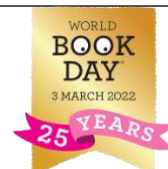
In celebrating the Christian calendar, we will focus on the season of Lent and Easter



On Thursday 3rd March, it is World Book Day.

We will be celebrating books and reading.

We would like you bring in a **favourite book** to school on the day- your teachers will too!



We are holding a **book swap** -If you have a book you would like to exchange for a different book, please bring it to school on Monday 28 February. Further details have been sent with the world book day letter.

There is also a special **lunch** to celebrate the day.

Every family will receive a world book day £1 **book voucher**.

This will be sent to you. Instructions for redeeming the voucher are included with the voucher.

Each year is a selection of £1 books available for exchange of one voucher or it can be used to purchase books of a higher value.

Details of the £1 books available can be found on <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>



Norwich City's Community Sports Foundation approached Norse Catering to become a partner and run a school lunch programme over four weeks for their Health Month.



Our school is taking part.

The programme runs for 4 weeks during March, starting week beginning March 7th.

Each week there will be an online assembly and a special lunch menu on Thursdays representing the nationalities of 4 of Norwich City's first team. The recipes have been developed by Daniel Savage, head executive chef for the first team in collaboration with Norse Catering's menu development team.

Each week the menu will focus on a first team player linking with their nationality and the various food types that help power them on the pitch:

Dimitris Giannoulis - Greek; Josh Sargent - American ;Tim Krul - Dutch ;Teemu Pukki - Finnish

There are also 4 collectable cards.

We hope the children will be encouraged to take part and enjoy trying something different on the lunch menu!

Dates for your Diary

Friday 28/2 Bring in a book for our World Book Day Book Swap

Thursday 3/3 World Book Day , Bring your Favourite book to school to talk about

Friday 4/3 Football Festival (Y4-6)

Wednesday 9/3 Oak class to Crucial Crew Safety Day

Friday 11/3 Rowan class Outdoor Day Whitwell Centre

Monday 14 March Y6 to Norfolk Children's Book Festival

Friday 18 March Oak class Outdoor Day to Whitwell Centre

Friday 18 March Red Nose Day / Comic Relief

Tuesday 29 March Cross Country event (rescheduled event)

Thursday 31 March Frisbee Festival Y4-6

Friday 1 April Easter Hunt (parents invited)

Cherry and Willow 9.30 - 10 am Rowan Class 10.30 - 11 am Oak Class 11.15 am - 11.45 am

Friday 1 April Easter Bonnet Parade – Children invited to bring their creations from home.

School closed for Easter 4 April -19 April. Reopens on Wednesday 20 April at 8.45am

School closed for Summer Half term 30 May- 3 June. Reopens Monday 6 June

School closed for Summer 25 July- 5 September. Reopens Tuesday 6 September 2022