

NEWSLETTER Autumn Term 2022



Welcome!

We have been delighted to welcome all the children back to school and to welcome our new Reception children. It has been lovely to see how quickly everyone is becoming settled into their new classes and making friends! I am sure many of you are enjoying a little quiet time too.

We have been reflecting on the sad news of Her Majesty in our classes and in collective worship, giving our thanks, and thinking about her family in our prayers.

With the announcement of the Bank Holiday on Monday 19 September, we confirm that school will close on this day as the nation mourns the loss of Her Majesty.

We are looking forward to the year ahead as we move forward to joining the DNEAT academy trust. We are anticipating that our school will become an academy on 1 November. Work is ongoing behind the scenes to ensure a smooth transition for everyone.

Our own school news is that Miss Phillpot, our Cherry class teacher got married in the holidays. She is keeping her name for the time being. We are also delighted to share with you that Miss Dorr, who supports in Rowan class, is expecting a baby. Congratulations to both Miss Phillpot and Miss Dorr on their wonderful news!

The new Lyng Montessori Nursery has opened. What super news for our community. We look forward to working in partnership with Samantha and her team. If you would like further details about a place and opening times, you can contact the nursery by phoning 07526 491307 or by email samantha@attlebridgemontessori.co.uk

Harvest Festival



We will be celebrating at St Margaret's Church, Lyng.

Wednesday 19 October at 9.45am

We do hope you will be able to join us.

Children can bring their harvest gifts to school and we will take them to the church.

After School Clubs

Letters are being given to the relevant year groups.

Sports clubs are offered free of charge to pupils.

We charge the minimum amount for other clubs where costs are involved.

If your child is entitled to FSM, clubs are offered free of charge.

Starting this half term, we have:

Cross Country (Y3,4,5,6) on Mondays

Music, with a focus on steel pans this term (Y3,4,5,6) on Tuesdays

Cooking (Y5/6) on Tuesdays

Football (Y3/4) on Wednesdays

Tag Rugby (Y1/2) Thursdays

Violin Tuition



Small group tuition is available for pupils Y3,4,5,6.

Lessons start on 20 September. There is a charge to parents. Fees are heavily subsidised for FSM pupils. A violin is provided on loan.

Please ask Mrs Rudd for more details if you would like your child to have lessons.

Collective Worship Themes

We focus on a different Christian Value each term across the school in Collective Worship, in class and throughout the school.

This half term our Value is **Generosity**. Next half term it is **Compassion**.



This week we have been focussing on last term's value of 'service', as we have reflected on the Queen's service during her 70 year reign.



Curriculum Information

You can find out about your child's learning in their class for this half term on our website. You will find this on the Classes page from 16 September. The booklet includes information about PE days etc.

Parking Safely and being considerate to other users: The start of the year is a good time to remind everyone that parking on the zig zag lines by the school gate is not permitted at any time. There should also be no parking within 10 metres of a junction.

Children and parents need to be able to access the school site safely. Please do not park on or obstruct pavements, or junctions.

Most of our neighbours are understanding of the fact that there is traffic at 'peak times'.

Please do not cause anxiety or upset by inconsiderate parking, such as across driveways. Parents are not permitted to drop off/ collect children or park in the school car park.



School Meals

If you believe your child/children may qualify for entitlement to Free School Meals (FSM) you can get further information and apply from the following website

https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-and-milk

This allowance is a statutory right and it is important that you use it if you qualify. Help is available with your application with Mrs Rudd at the school office.

Please apply now if you think you may be eligible.

Dates for your diary

- 26 September is the European Day of Languages. We will join in the day with activities in each class.
- 28 September Photographer: individual and siblings. Correct uniforms please!
- 29 September 'Olly Day' will be visiting the children to help them learn some safety messages in his usual humorous style.
- 4 October Flu vaccinations (offered to all pupils) further information to follow, with consent forms.
- 19 October Harvest Festival at church

Sporting events are also planned – letters will go to classes where they are taking part.

Half term: Monday 24 October to Friday 28 October, Back to school on Monday 31 October School closes for the Christmas break at 3.05 pm on Friday 16 December, back to school on Wed 4 January.