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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the Nightingale Federation,

This week is our penultimate week of the summer term, and how quickly the week has gone! This week we have had a number of incredibly exciting firsts and news for our school.

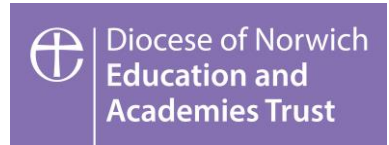
As headteachers, we aim to ensure that every day our children are delighted and excited by new learning and first experiences. On Monday, we celebrated our Federation's achievements and becoming one fantastic family at St Nicholas Church in Dereham. Reverends Laura and Richard, ably supported by our Governors, delivered an excellent service, successfully applying for £1100 worth of grants from the Shipdham Fuel Allotment Fund and Anne French Memorial Fund, to ensure it was possible that we had a church large enough and transport to and from the church for all pupils, so that the service could take place. To see all of the children and staff of Lyng CE Primary and Thomas Bullock CE Primary gathered together, joined by so many of the parents and families demonstrated our values and vision of community well.

The pupils represented their learning beautifully and hearing all of the federation community singing and worshipping together, led so well by Reverends Richard, Laura, Helen and Bishop Jane, was magical – and well done to Mr Wade for the music and technical wizardry!

Upon arriving back in school, Dylan and Bobby in year 2 at Thomas Bullock bounded back into school, with their families, Bobby excitedly telling me 'Mrs O'Sullivan that was great! I loved meeting all of the new children again and saying 'hello'! Dylan said: 'My favourite part was learning about the Bishop's hat and it being a shining light, just like us'.

I truly have no doubt that the Nightingale Federation will continue to go from strength to strength. Additionally, this week we have been delighted by Year 6 school performances, end of year services, trips to the seaside for some, the first of our transition days and of course our KS2 Year 6 results! The above, including Nursery to Y5 data, will be shared in detail in next week's end of term letter, but I just wanted to share the amazing news! It was a joy to see our children excited in their new classes and spend 1 1/2 days with their new teachers. We also welcomed our new Reception pupils into school on Wednesday. Next week, Mrs Taylor will begin home visits with our incoming Reception class.

We are exceptionally proud of our externally moderated Federation End of Key Stage 2 SATs results. Please see results below, based on 2024 Key Stage 2 National Headlines provided by the Department



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for Education 9th July 2024: <https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/key-stage-2-attainment-national-headlines>

Subject	Met the Expected Standard: School	Met the Expected Standard: Nationally	Met the Greater Depth Standard: School	Met the Greater Depth Standard: Nationally	Average scaled score: School	Average Scaled score: Nationally
Reading, Writing, Maths (combined)	77%	61%	8%	8%	NA	NA
Reading	100%	74%	38%	28%	108	105

Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling	96%	72%	31%	32%	105	105
Maths	92%	73%	46%	24%	107	104
Writing (Teacher Assessment)	77%	72%	8%	13%	NA	NA
Science (Teacher Assessment)	92%	81%	NA	NA	NA	NA

We could not be prouder of our children's accomplishments and the incredible teams, from our outstanding Nursery to our incredible Year 6 teams who work so hard with your children, each and every day, to ensure excellent starting points and outcomes.

We are looking forward to further celebrations next week and spending time in the final days with our wonderful Year 6 pupils and all of those pupils who will be moving on to new schools.

Forest Schools Uniform

From next year, we aim to ensure all pupils (YR-6) take part in forest schools more regularly. We have a qualified Level 3 forest schools teacher employed and will be running curriculum based sessions. With this in mind, to support regularity of uniform wearing and the ability to change quickly, we ask that parents look out for waterproofs, waterproof dungarees, or bibs and braces so that pupils can be ready for any weather and quickly adapt to the weather and activity. We will no longer require pupils to wear home clothes during the week for these sessions.

End of Year Reports

End of year reports will be emailed to parents on Monday 15 July.



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Breakfast and After School Club

Hopefully, you have read the good news! From September we will have wraparound care onsite. Bookings open for the autumn Term 1 today!

School Fete

We look forward to inviting everyone across the Federation to the Thomas Bullock School Fete on Saturday July 13th from 12-3pm! Please do come and see us!

Norfolk Library Service Summer Reading Challenge

A representative from the Norfolk Library Service has been into school recently to talk to the children all about their Summer Reading Challenge. This is a great initiative to encourage children to read and will also help keep them busy during the holidays! Please see the attached flyers being sent with this newsletter and find out more at:

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/summerreadingchallenge>

END OF TERM DISCO REMINDER

If your child would like to attend the end of term disco being organised by FOLS on Thursday 18 July, please remember to return your permission slip with your payment by Wednesday 17th at the latest please.



10% DISCOUNT FOR BOOKING ONTO TERMLY LESSONS
AFTER ATTENDING OUR AQUASWIM WEEK. **QUOTE AQUA10**

SUMMER AQUASWIM INTENSIVE COURSE

Thorpe St Andrew High School
wc 22nd July and 29th July
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OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK....

Cherry Class

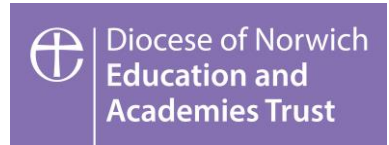
Cherry Class were so happy to come in this week to find the butterflies had come out of their chrysalides. We put in some sugary water, pieces of fruit, and the flowers from a buddleia for them. Cherry learnt lots of butterfly facts, like they use a long tongue called a proboscis to suck up fruit and nectar. They also learnt that butterflies don't have noses and use their feet to smell!



Willow Class

In Maths this week, we have been using left, right, forwards and backwards to describe position. On Wednesday, we were human beebots and had to give our partners directions to find the buried treasure!





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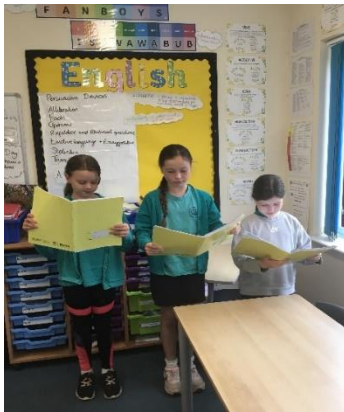
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Rowan Class

It's been a busy week in Rowan class with our Federation Church visit and transition days. In English, we have created and performed adverts persuading each other to visit different countries. We worked hard to include a range of persuasive devices in our work. Gardening club members should be very proud of the results of our beautiful garden. They have worked incredibly hard and enjoyed showing the adults what they have produced. The children especially enjoyed their last session tasting some of the fruits we have grown.

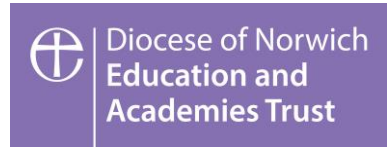


Oak Class

Oak class have had a fun week, preparing for our leavers' performance next week. A huge congratulations to the year 6's on their fantastic SATs results, they should be very proud. We also met our new teachers this week, either at high school or in Oak Class; we enjoyed discussing our experiences.

Congratulations to Tobias who starred in the Finding Nemo show at Dereham Memorial Hall. Congratulations to Hannah for taking part in the Ringing world National Youth Contest in London.





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DIARY DATES

JULY

- 12th EYFS Multi Skills Festival
- 16th Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9.30am in the school hall
- 17th Cherry Class trip to Pensthorpe
- 18th Last day of term & FOLS disco at the village hall
- 19th INSET Day School Closed

2024/25

SEPTEMBER 2024

- 2nd Inset Day – school closed to pupils
- 3rd Inset Day – school closed to pupils
- 4th School re-opens to pupils
- 16th Flu vaccinations year R – year 6
- 24th Karate Taster Sessions (all year groups)
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October

- 22nd School Photographer (Individual and sibling photos)

Half term 28th October – 1 November

November

December

- 20th Last day of term

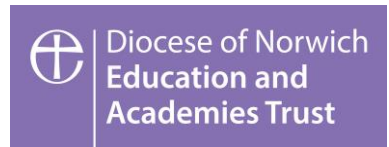
Christmas holidays 23rd December – 6th January

January

- 7th Children return to school

February

Half term 17th – 21st February



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March

April

Easter holiday 7th – 22nd April

May

5th Bank Holiday – school closed

12th SATS week for year 6

Half term 26th – 30th May

June

2nd Inset Day – school closed to pupils

July

22nd Last day of term