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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the Nightingale Federation,

What a wonderful two weeks we have had!

Sports Day

Last week ended with a fantastic Sports Day. Children from Reception to Year 6 took part in flat and obstacle races within their year groups, with Year 6 leading their house teams in the ever-popular Clockwork Sports. The weather was perfect and the atmosphere full of energy and encouragement.

Well done to all the children for their effort, enthusiasm and sportsmanship. It was a pleasure to welcome so many families who cheered from the side-lines and joined in the toddlers', mums' and dads' races. Staff also took part with great spirit, even if a few bent the rules.

The morning concluded with a picnic lunch in the sunshine. Thank you to FOLS for providing refreshments and ice creams, and for helping to set up the marquees. We have greatly appreciated the positive feedback from parents and are grateful for the many kind comments.

Norfolk Show

Pupils in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 enjoyed a fantastic visit to the Norfolk Show. Mr Wade and I were delighted to accompany them for a day packed with learning and excitement.

Children explored the Discovery Zone, Sugar Beet Trail, STEMM Village, Emergency Services Area and the Livestock Arena. A highlight was our Federation's drumming in the Grand Ring, which was so enthusiastic it featured on the big screens and is now included on the Norfolk Show website. We were also proud to see Lyng pupils appear on BBC News.

Sport

Federation teams in Years 3 and 4 took part in tennis matches together this week, with Thomas Bullock pupils qualifying for the Norfolk County Finals.

Pupils also enjoyed cricket across the Federation, with some excellent performances. The teams had lots of fun, made friends with other teams, cheered each other on and won more games than they lost! What was particularly pleasing, following a tight victory, was for a young leader from the event to come across to praise the team and brand them as the most polite and well behaved team they had umpired all day. Well done Lyng!

Unfortunately, our teams had to play against each other in both events, otherwise we might have seen both schools in the finals. A huge thank you to Ms Cameron for her expert coaching in both sports this year.













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Looking Ahead

Next week, Year 1 and Year 2 will visit Wells-next-the-Sea for a beach trip linked to their geography and science learning. We look forward to sharing their seaside adventures in the next newsletter.

Year R to Year 6 Move-Up Day

Our Lyng Transition Move-Up Day will take place on Monday, 14th July and will run throughout the day. This event is designed to support children as they prepare to move into their new year groups, helping to ensure a smooth and confident transition.

We will also be offering parent refreshments for all new and existing parents ahead of collection, at 3 pm.













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Notices and Reminders

Lexie's fundraising for PACT Animal Sanctuary

Lexie in Rowan Class is trying to raise money for the PACT Animal Sanctuary by selling pocket money items to her friends. Prices range from 10p – 60p. Please see Lexie or her Mum if you are interested and support her in her efforts if you can!















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Shining Lights

Cherry Class - Year R

Hunter is our Shining Light of the Week for his excellent effort in phonics – Miss Allen is very impressed. He has also applied this really well to his independent writing too.

Willow Class - Year 1

Loki is our Shining Light of the Week for being an excellent role model in Forest School this week.

Willow Class – Year 2

Sebastian is our Shining Light of the Week for his excellent participation and determination in Comprehension this week.

Rowan Class - Year 3

Theo is our Shining Light of the Week for his great effort in listening and learning at the Norfolk Show.

Rowan Class - Year 4

William is our Shining Light of the Week for his fantastic effort and enthusiasm when learning about Greek Myths in English and history.

Oak Class - Year 5

Faith is our Shining Light of the Week for her excellent work ethic that she has shown this week: she published her explanation text really well; has joined in enthusiastically with our leavers assembly preparations and was confident during her interview with BBC Look East.

Oak Class - Year 6

Sid is our Shining Light of the Week for the excellent positive attitude he has shown our preparations for our leavers performance this week. He has embraced his role and has been enthusiastic about getting everything right and supporting others too.

Our Key Learning Questions this week:

- Year 1 & 2: What are your favourite activities to do at the seaside?
- **Year 3 & 4:** Can you re-tell your favourite Greek myth to someone else?
- **Year 5 & 6:** Why is Ernest Shackleton significant to us today?













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WOW MOMENTS!

Rupert M (Y1) Rupert recently took part in a music concert with JDT Music Academy – he did an amazing job playing the drums!

Ailish (Y1) enjoyed an exciting day out at Eaton Vale with her Rainbow group, where she tried rock climbing and cave exploring for the very first time. She also supported her fellow Rainbows with grass sledging, a favourite activity she experienced last year. Ailish really pushed herself to try new things and had a fantastic time!

Bronwyn & Sebastian (Y2) have recently been invested into the 2nd Dereham Cub Scouts, and have already achieved their Athletics and Athletics plus badges!

Henry (Y1) has recently progressed from level 2 to level 3 in his swimming lessons.

Bradley (Y5) took part in the Norfolk Cricket Festival and together with his team mates, won every match!



Please continue to send in your "Wow" moments for achievements out of school using the link below:

https://forms.gle/q6MZXdmzvtNHvJp19













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Cherry Class

In Maths we have been learning about positional language. In English we have been thinking about water. We thought about how we use water and where it can be found. We made a list of animals that live in water. In our Topic, we have been learning about the water cycle and created some "rain" artwork. In PSHE we looked at how we are changing and shared photos from when we started school.





Willow Class

In English, Willow class has enjoyed retelling our new story 'Lost & Found'. It has been great to see the children re-tell this story with such confidence! In Maths, we have been looking at telling the time using o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. In Forest School this week, we enjoyed making 'mocktails' using wild and garden plants. The children enjoyed smelling these 'mocktails' and discovering the great smells of nature! We are very much looking forward to our beach trip to Wells on Wednesday.



















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Rowan Class

Rowan has had a super busy week. We have been learning about Greek Myths in English and geography. In maths we have started to learn about the properties of shape. In design and technology we have designed Greek pots that we are going to make in clay. We had a fantastic day learning about Norfolk and performing at the Norfolk Show.







Oak Class

This week, Oak class have been getting full swing into practising for our leavers' performance with most of the children now knowing the songs almost off-by-heart. The next focus will be stage directions and including props etc. On Wednesday, we had a fantastic trip to the Royal Norfolk Show where Oak class took part in a performance, alongside a number of other school children, in the Grand Ring, drumming and using sticks along to some familiar songs. An amazing experience! Some of the children were also interviewed by BBC Look East and the EDP about their day. Those who spoke showed excellent courage and answered on-the-spot questions brilliantly.



















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SAFEGUARDING IS OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

Safeguarding is a shared duty across our Federation of schools, DNEAT, and the Local Governing Body. We receive regular training to help us identify and respond to concerns effectively. Safeguarding is monitored both internally and by external bodies, including Ofsted and the Local Authority.

The Local Governing Body has asked us to remind all parents, grandparents, carers, and wider members of our school communities of the part we all have to play in this. Ensuring the safety of our children is paramount. If you see or hear anything concerning, particularly if occurring within the local community, please report it either directly to your child's school, to the Children's Advice and Duty Service (CADS) on **0344 800 8020**, or to Dereham Police on **01953 661919**. All of these channels allow you to report concerns anonymously if you prefer. Please report any concern, no matter the size, as together these can build a picture that ensures a child is adequately protected and supported.

This week, for example, within the Federation, we have worked with our KS2 pupils to remind them of our schools' policies and expectations around online behaviour. We talked about the potential impact of inappropriate messages sent through WhatsApp or social media that are unkind or targeted. The focus was on well-being of the parties involved but also the potential for this to be considered malicious communication, which can be considered a criminal offence for which there is police involvement.

We have also been made aware of school-related concerns being shared on social media and messaging platforms. We remind everyone that the correct way to raise concerns is directly through the relevant school office. Posting in public or private groups can breach our Federation policies, home-school agreements, and in some cases may result in legal consequences. We request all members of our wider community to report any such communications to the school, CADS, or the police.

We are all working together to ensure the safety of the children in our community and to create a respectful and supportive environment for teachers, parents, and pupils alike. We want to ensure our schools continue to deliver a top-class education, as highlighted by Ofsted in 2025, one that we are extremely proud of. We thank you for your support in this shared commitment.

Our Safeguarding Governor is Mrs Tinson, Chair of Governors.

Your Federation Designated Safeguarding Leads are: Mrs Marjoram (TB), Ms Wharton (Lyng), Mrs O'Sullivan, Mr Wade, Mrs Smith, and Mr Allott.













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Diary Dates 2024/25

lune 30 th	Reception vision & hearing checks (School Nursing Team
July	
2 nd	Willow Class trip to Wells
8 th	Tackle Maths Festival at The Nest
	This Girl Can Festival (Y5) at Taverham High School
14 th	Year 6 induction at Reepham High School
	Transition day to new classes for Year R – 5
18 th	Y6 End of Year Performance in the school hall (1.30pm)
	FOLS end of term disco (village hall)
22 nd	Last day of term
	End of Year Service at Lyng Church 1.15pm