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NEWSLETTER 13 SEPTEMBER 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the Nightingale Federation,

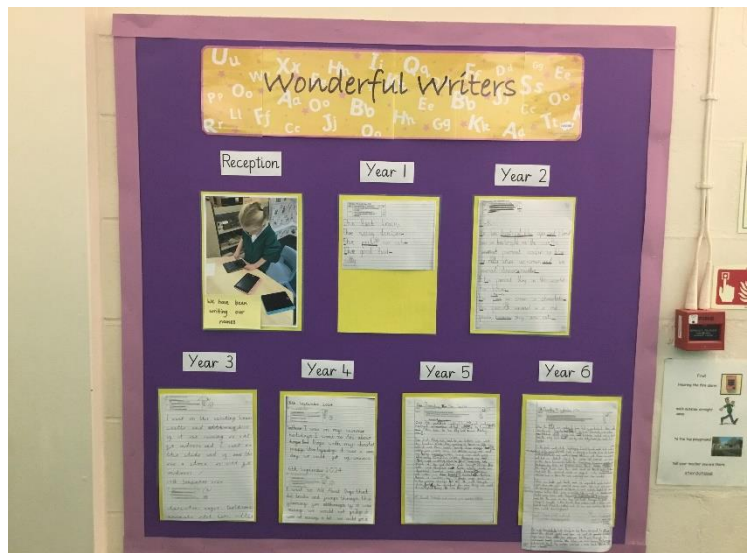
We have had a wonderful week and half back in school now. All of our children have re-joined ready to learn and grow this year. Additionally, it has been a delight seeing how well the Reception class have settled into our school and routines this week. Thank you to all of the families for supporting our pupils return.

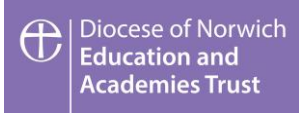
We have a number of exciting projects planned for the year ahead and our first opportunity to see your child’s learning environment is the upcoming book look. Please do look at the dates within the calendar below for events to come, these are regularly updated.

Fortunately, the warmer weather is due to return next week so please do continue to send children in with water bottles and hats for the next few weeks to come.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Please see our new weekly celebration of work walls – pictures below!





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Free School Meal Eligibility Reminder

Just a reminder to all our families that you may be eligible for free school meals if you are in receipt of certain benefits (Universal Credit, Income Support etc) If you are unsure, please submit a claim, either online at <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/38166> or ask the school office for an application form. Registering for free meals also means the school receives extra funding for valuable support like extra tuition, additional teaching staff or after school activities

A big thank you to Bronwyn & Sebastian’s Grandma, who very kindly donated a gardening gift voucher to us! It was much appreciated and something we will look forward to using when Gardening Club re-starts in the spring.

SMARTIES TUBE CHALLENGE

If any of the children still have coins they have collected over the summer holidays as part of the “Smarties Challenge” please could they be brought into school as soon as possible please. Thank you.

Another big thank you to Elsie and Noah’s Mum who successfully nominated our school to receive some Pickle Ball sets, donated by Starlings Toymaster in Dereham. The children will enjoy using them at breaktimes! See pictures below.....





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Flu Vaccinations

A reminder that the School Nursing Team will be visiting us on Monday 16 September, to administer the flu vaccination via a nasal spray, to all year groups. All parents should have received a letter and consent form with further details. Please remember to log-in using the link provided to either consent OR decline. The portal closes today, so please ensure you have done this if you wish your child to be receive the vaccine.

Jeans for Genes - Friday 20th September

We are very pleased to offer our pupils the opportunity to support 'Jeans for Genes' on Friday 20th September. The Jeans for Genes campaign raises awareness of the daily challenges faced by those living with a genetic condition and raises money to fund projects that make a tangible differences to the lives of those affected.

Pupils may replace the bottom half of their uniform only please, with denim that day, and we suggest a donation to be paid online through the following link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jeansforgenesday29837>

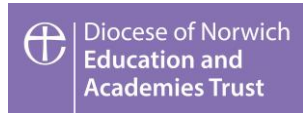
News from The Friends of Lyng School (FOLS)

Easy Fundraising

Over the summer, FOLS have registered with easyfundraising, which means you can help us for FREE. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! All you need to do is sign up and remember to use easyfundraising whenever you shop online. It's easy and completely FREE! These donations really mount up, so please sign up to support us at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friends-of-lyng-school-fols/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=email-1

Asda Cash Pot for Schools

Championed by Joe Wicks, Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative – all you have to do is, opt in through the Asda Rewards app, choose our primary school and shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com, between 2nd September and 30th November 2024



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Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to our school. Also, every time somebody opts in, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn’t stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

Breckland Lottery

Don’t forget – FOLS are members of the Breckland Lottery – tickets cost just £1 per week and you can win up to £25,000!



No Cold Child Campaign

As FOLS are members of Parentkind, a charity which supports PTAs, they have exclusive access to their “no cold child” campaign. The need for winter coats continues to rise across the UK, with 144,000 children expected to be without a winter coat this year.

Parentkind have partnered with the national lifestyle clothing retailer, FatFace, to provide 10,000 winter coats in a variety of children's sizes available for £10 each (£60 RRP). These are being distributed across the autumn on a first-come-first-served basis to Parentkind members, for orders up until the 22nd November. Please speak to a member of the FOLS team or email them at: folslyng@gmail.com if you are interested. Alternatively, please let Mrs Rudd know in the school office and she will pass a message on for you.



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Fundraising Event in aid of Sparham Church

Please find below details of a fundraising event in aid of Sparham Church – all welcome!

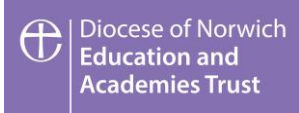


OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK.....

Cherry Class

Cherry class have been settling into their new routines and making friends. They have enjoyed exploring new areas and have done a great job!





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Willow Class

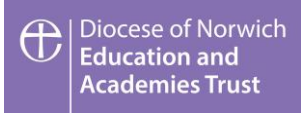
We have had a great first couple of weeks in Willow class. We have all settled well and we are getting used to our classroom and the new children in our class. In writing the children have worked really hard this week to write neatly on the line and use a range of adjectives. In Maths we have been using tens and ones to make numbers to 20. Our Geography topic this half term is 'Our Local Area'. We started the topic by exploring our school and drawing maps of the school! A great start to the year Willow class, keep it up!



Rowan Class

Miss Wharton has had a lovely first week in Rowan and hopes the Rowan pupils have too! We have been busy sharing some Fairy Tales in English and learning about place value in maths. In science we had fun learning about the different types of teeth. William brought in one of his teeth to show us. In Understanding the World we learnt about mountainous areas in the UK.





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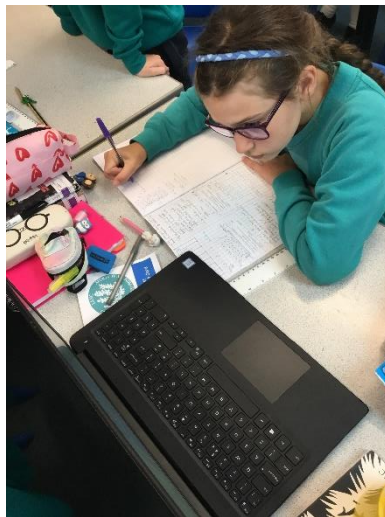
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Oak Class

This week, Oak class have started to get used to a familiar timetable of lessons, enjoying English-based activities in the morning; Maths in the middle and more topic-based or foundation subjects in the afternoon. The laptops are proving to be a very useful supportive tool, whether it's answering Reading Stars questions, carrying out research or solving problems in maths. We've also started Hockey in our outdoor games session which the class have thoroughly enjoyed including learning how to hold the stick and dribbling.





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DIARY DATES 2024/25

SEPTEMBER 2024

- 16th Flu vaccinations year R – year 6
- 20th Jeans for Genes Day
- 24th Karate Taster Sessions TBC (all year groups)
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- 26th Book Look – all classes

October

- 8th Harvest Festival at Lyng Church
- 14th Open Evening Reception intake 2025 (5-6pm)
- 16th School Nursing Team – height & weight checks YR & Y6
- 22nd School Photographer (Individual and sibling photos)
- 23rd Parents Evening
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- Open Morning Reception intake 2025 (9.15 – 10.15am)

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

March

April



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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