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NEWSLETTER 11 OCTOBER 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the Nightingale Federation,

We have lots of great news at both schools which we are delighted to share.

Open Events

Our Open Days and Evenings are for all pupils and all year groups with a presentation focus on our Early Years. These will be held on Monday 14 October between 5.00 – 6.00pm and Thursday 24 October between 9.15 – 10.15am.

I have already had the pleasure of offering a few visits – and what a pleasure it is to see our children excitedly inviting new friends into their learning environments, which are filled with engaging and purposeful learning. Our children across the Federation are really lucky to have excellent educators to learn from each and every day!

Parents’ Evenings

Parents’ evenings will be taking place on Wednesday 23 October between 3.30 pm and 5.30pm and on Thursday 24 October between 3.30pm and 6.00pm. Bookings sheets will be available from Monday 14 October, on the notice board in the parent shelter. If you are unable to get to school because your child either walks to and from school on their own, or they travel on the school bus, please contact the school office and we will make an appointment on your behalf.

Mrs Smith, our federation SENDCO, will be available on Thursday 24 October between 3.30 – 5.00pm to answer any further questions you may have about your child’s support plan which will be shared by the class teacher.

Displays

Our displays are overflowing with our pupils excellent work! Please see just a few pictures of what our children have been learning the past week!





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Half Term

A reminder that we break up for half term on Friday 25th October. Those of you who check the Norfolk County Council school term dates calendar may have noticed that this is a staff training day at some schools. This is NOT the case at Lyng and children should attend school on that day.

Reading Ambassadors

Key Stage 2 Reading Ambassadors had their first official meeting this week and have started their first project. Each class in Key Stage 2 will have a 'Reading Scrapbook'. Each week, a different member of the class can take it home and produce a double page spread about a book they have really enjoyed reading. We can't wait to learn about all the wonderful reading children are doing. Once Key Stage 2 has got to grips with it, we hope to roll this out into Key Stage One in the future.

Parent, Carer and Visitor Conduct Policy

We work in partnership as a team to ensure our children belong to a safe and happy environment. Therefore, it may be useful to note that alongside our home-school agreement and parent section of the website, the Trust has included a Parent, Carer and Visitor Conduct Policy to ensure that all of our staff, pupils and those onsite continue to be treated positively and respectfully at all times. We are grateful for your support.

REMINDERS

Uniform

Please be reminded children are expected to wear non-branded uniform, and it should only be in school colours and a school jumper or jade green coloured jumper. Our school shirt is white and we do have spares in school but expect all pupils to wear our full school uniform. This is to support our school values, vision and transition into high-school.

Smoking / Vaping

We know this is extremely rare, but to help live a "Light for Health" please, we wish to remind all parents / carers not to vape in or around any of our children at the entrance or exit of the school or within a radius of our school entrance area.



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Child Led Groups

Recently in school, we elected members to our new child led groups. Children put themselves forward and even shared why they thought they would be great for the role - before voting followed.

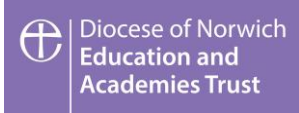
It is a wonderful opportunity for the children selected to share their voice and get involved with school issues they care about. Wearing their badges with pride, watch this space for updates about what our teams have been getting up to and the impact they are having around school.

Class	School Council	Eco Council	Ethos Team	Digital Leader x1	Digital Leader x2
Reception	Harriet	Hugo	Willow		
Year 1	Henry	Abel	Martha		
Year 2	Bronwyn	Harris	Tiffany		
Year 3	Carlo	William	Argia	Toby	Neave
Year 4	William	Sophia	Ethan	Jake	Violet
Year 5	Ryan	Jessica	Niamh	Eli	Monty
Year 6	Sid	Elliot	Hannah	Thomas	Jack

	HERONS	KINGFISHERS	SWANS
House Captain	Orla	Martha	Esther
Vice Captain	Lara	Hannah	Stella

OUR HOUSE CAPTAINS!





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OUR KEY LEARNING QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Year 1&2	Can we map our local area?
Year 3&4	Can you find out 3 facts about the village or place that you live?
Year 5&6	<i>Why did a Second World War break out in 1939?</i>

Wow Moments!

We love to hear about and celebrate the children's achievements both inside and out of school.

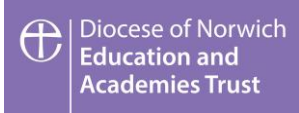
If your child has reached a certain milestone or achievement outside of school, such as winning a medal, gaining a certificate or even learnt to ride their bike without stabilisers and you would like us to share this in our weekly celebration assembly and our newsletters, then please use the link below to provide brief details for our 'Wow Moments'.

<https://forms.gle/MQVFVp39JeZ5igy99>

World Mental Health Day

This week in school we marked World Mental Health Day by taking part in lots of different class activities. The children have spent time outside during their Forest School activities and talked about how being in the open air can improve our mental health. We have also discussed what makes us feel happy and who our wider support network are when we need someone to turn to.





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OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK.....

Cherry Class

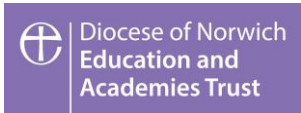
This week in Cherry class we have been exploring autumn some more and learning about patterns. We used some instruments to make patterns before exploring in other ways. The children really enjoyed their first visit to our local church for the harvest festival, where they sang beautifully. They especially enjoyed watching Mr Allott and Miss Wharton dress up as some of their favourite characters!



Willow Class

We have had a busy few weeks in Willow class! In Science, we have been looking at properties of materials- we did an experiment to see if materials were waterproof and absorbent. In Forest Schools with Miss Dutson we have been creating Mandalas from natural materials.





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Rowan Class

Rowan class has had a fun week. We all enjoyed singing the harvest songs at the church. In science we finished our tooth experiment by cleaning one of the eggs with toothpaste, you can see the amazing results in the photograph.

We all enjoyed discussing World mental health day and the activities that made us feel happy.



Oak Class

Oak class have been very busy these past two weeks. In English, Oak have planned, drafted, edited and published their WW2-inspired narrative setting descriptions which are now proudly on display in the main building. They should all be very proud of the efforts they went to, producing some excellent written pieces. We have since moved onto our entertaining WW2-inspired diary writing unit.

In Maths, we have explored number, focussing on multiples, factors and prime numbers.

In Art, the children have continued with their collage topic, creating some excellent propaganda posters using the photomontage technique. Forest schools has been a welcome addition to the curriculum in recent weeks with Miss Dutson where this week, they created some excellent Anderson shelters using natural materials.





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DIARY DATES 2024/25

October

- 14th Open Evening Reception intake 2025 (5-6pm)
- 16th School Nursing Team – height & weight checks YR & Y6
- 17th Year 1 & 2 Cross Country event at Langley School
- 22nd School Photographer (Individual and sibling photos)
- 23rd Parents Evening
- 24th Parents Evening
- Open Morning Reception intake 2025 (9.15 – 10.15am)

Half term 28th October – 1 November

November

- 18th Oak Class trip to Gressenhall

December

- 17th Willow Class to Holkham Hall
- 20th Last day of term
- FOLS Christmas Disco

Christmas holidays 23rd December – 6th January

January

- 7th Children return to school

February

Half term 17th – 21st February

March

April

Easter holiday 7th – 22nd April

- 23rd Children return to school



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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