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### NEWSLETTER 8 NOVEMBER 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the Nightingale Federation,

We hope you all had a lovely half term break and are grateful the children have returned to school so positively and excited for their Autumn 2 learning. Thank you to those of you who have sent in some amazing home learning projects. We are so excited at how immersed the children are in their newest learning. Additionally, thank you to everyone who completed the parent survey. We have had a great response and we will share the results as soon as they are collated.

This term we will be welcoming families into school for a number of events including our Winter Friday afternoon Stay and Play sessions! Please see the advert for this below. This is designed for pre-school age children ahead of them starting school. Please feel free to drop in if you would like to attend – every Friday from 15 November. We have begun adding a number of exciting Christmas and Winter Holiday events to our calendar, so please do check the calendar regularly.

As the weather continues to deteriorate and the ground becomes wetter and muddier, we are still keen for our children to be able to enjoy our wonderful grounds as much as is practical. Therefore, please can we request that if you wish your child to use the wider field areas at break and lunch time, that they bring in or keep a pair of wellies at school. We would like to avoid the children getting wet feet even if they previously changed into trainers. Thank you for your support with this.





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### Children in Need

**Friday 15 November** is Children in Need day. As usual, we will be doing what we can to raise money for this worthwhile cause. Children are invited to dress as Superheroes, or in their pyjamas / something spotty / Pudsey colours. Please do send a donation for Children in Need if you are able. The children will also be making a giant Pudsey, using coins, so please send a few extra pennies for this too!

### Anti Bullying Week

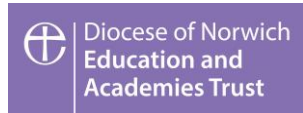
This year's theme is "Choose Respect." To help raise awareness, please ask your child to wear odd socks on **Tuesday 12 November!** (no donations needed) Children will be talking about the subject in their PSHE lesson next week.

### Dinner Money Increase

Please could we remind all parents that the daily charge for school lunches increased to £2.70 on 4 November 2024. Please ensure you are adding sufficient credit to ParentPay when topping up so that your account does not accrue arrears. Thank you.

### SEND Parent / Carer Café

A reminder that Mrs Smith will be hosting a Parent / Carer drop in café on Thursday 14 November for anyone who is interested in finding out more about how we support children with special educational needs. This will run between 2.15 – 3.15pm. There will also be professionals available from various agencies for you to talk to, who can provide advice, support and guidance for families.



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### Shining Lights

Cherry Class – Year R	Willow D - for making amazing progress during her phonics lessons.
Willow Class – Year 1	Loki- for listening well and trying his hardest in all lessons.
Willow Class – Year 2	Joshua- for always trying hard in all subjects
Rowan Class – Year 3	Louie- for putting more effort into his learning, this week.
Rowan Class – Year 4	Albert- for trying really hard with his handwriting.
Oak Class – Year 5	Niamh is our Shining Light of the Week for her all round excellent attitude to her learning and for how she confidently asks for help to further her understanding.
Oak Class – Year 6	Mason is our Shining Light of the Week for yet another fantastic week of learning. He is always ready to learn and is a great role model to his peers.

### WOW MOMENTS!

**Bradley (year 5)** – Together with his rugby team from Holt, Bradley took part in the Tigers under 10’s regional festival before half term and were the winners of their group! They will now play a series of games facing teams from around the country, at the home of Leicester Tigers, next year.

Please remember to continue to send in your **WOW** moments for achievements out of school

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### OUR KEY LEARNING QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

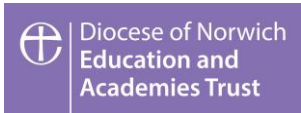
Year 1 & 2	What is your favourite toy?
Year 3 & 4	Compare where you live to Norwich. How are they different?
Year 5 & 6	How did Hitler run Nazi Germany?

### OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK.....

#### Cherry Class

In Cherry class this week we have been super busy. We have talked about bonfire night and how we can make sure we are safe. We also chatted about the festival of lights and celebration of 'Diwali' and made some diva lamps. The children were very excited to have a visit from a local fire engine and fire crew. They thought of some excellent questions and had the best time exploring the fire engine and equipment!





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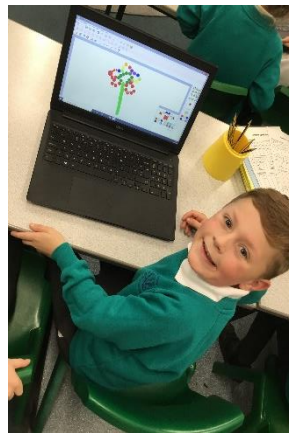
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### Willow Class

It has been a great first week back in Willow class. We have started our new topic 'Tremendous Toys.' The children enjoyed bringing their favourite toy in from home and explaining why it is their favourite. In English we have been writing labels and captions about our favourite toy. In Computing this week we used the laptops for the first time. The children worked together to create a picture on 'Paint' and were perfecting their mouse skills! Great job Willow class!



### Rowan Class

Rowan Class had a lovely first week back. We have enjoyed learning about our new topics. We have started a new book in English, 'Pebble in my Pocket' which we all found very interesting. We have written poems based on pebbles. In maths we are working hard on subtraction problems. In science we have been comparing human-made and natural products. During PE we worked on our throwing and catching skills.





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### Oak Class

Oak Class have settled back wonderfully after a well-deserved half term break, with Mr Allott returning from paternity leave on Wednesday.

This week, we have continued our topic of Conflict and Resolution, moving onto the WW2 half of the topic, learning all about the roles of women during the war and researching facts about the evacuees.

In forest schools, Miss Dutson introduced a new game called Bats and Moths, putting the children out of their comfort zone, relying on their other senses when blindfolded. The children loved this!

In PE, we have moved on to Tag Rugby for this half term and we looked at ball handling and passing, practising sending the ball down an attacking diagonal line on the move.





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### DIARY DATES 2024/25

#### November

- 12<sup>th</sup> Wear odd socks (anti bullying week)
- 14<sup>th</sup> SEND Parent / Carer Drop in Café 2.15 – 3.15pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> Children in Need
- 18<sup>th</sup> Oak Class trip to Gressenhall

#### December

- 6<sup>th</sup> FOLS Christmas Bake Sale and Mini Christmas Fayre (3.15 – 4.15pm)
- 11<sup>th</sup> Karate Taster Sessions (all classes)
- 17<sup>th</sup> Willow Class to Holkham Hall
- 20<sup>th</sup> Last day of term  
FOLS Christmas Disco

#### Christmas holidays 23<sup>rd</sup> December – 6<sup>th</sup> January

#### January

- 7<sup>th</sup> Children return to school

#### February

Half term 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> February

#### March

#### April

Easter holiday 7<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> April

- 23<sup>rd</sup> Children return to school

#### May

- 5<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday – school closed



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12<sup>th</sup> SATS week for year 6

**Half term 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> May**

### June

2<sup>nd</sup> Inset Day – school closed to pupils

### July

22<sup>nd</sup> Last day of term