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NEWSLETTER 20th DECEMBER 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the Nightingale Federation,

This term has been a busy one and Mrs O'Sullivan has summed up the last few months in a separate end of term federation letter which has been sent as a separate attachment.

Karate Taster Sessions

All the children enjoyed their Karate taster sessions with Danny from Martial Arts East, last week. Hopefully you all saw the flyer which was emailed separately following those sessions – please contact Danny directly should your child be interested in taking up this sport outside of school.

Holkham Hall

Willow Class enjoyed a fantastic day out at Holkham Hall earlier this week and even got to meet Father Christmas! Please have a look at some photos from the day below.

FOLS

A big thank you to members of the FOLS team, who have worked tirelessly this term to organise so many different events to help raise funds to enhance the play equipment on the school field. They have also provided a chocolate selection box for each child which will be sent home today and are rounding off the term by organising a Christmas disco for all the children. An amazing amount of £1102 was raised at the Christmas Fayre, so a big thank you must also go to all our parents and other members of the community who attended and / or bought raffle tickets. The event would not have been such a success without your support.



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Wraparound Care – Spring Term 2025

Bookings for wraparound care for the first half of the spring term have now opened. **We are pleased to announce that Cooking Club for KS2 children has been added to our after school offering on a Monday.** Details of dates are on the booking form. Please remember to book your requirements using the link below, by Friday 3 January. Thank you.

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Autism and ADHD Support Service

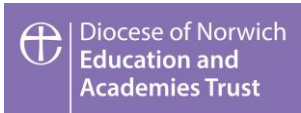
Please find below a link to Family Action's support service for parents of children who may struggle with the different routines during the holidays:

[Family Action's Norfolk & Waveney Autism and ADHD Support Service](#)

Pencil Cases

As we prepare for a new term in school on our return in January, please could we remind all parents that children should not be bringing their own pencil cases into school.

In our efforts to develop a more inclusive culture, please be assured that we will supply all stationery items that are required by the children.



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Shining Lights of the Half Term – “Compassion”

Cherry – year R **Bonnie** is our Shining Light of the Half Term for consistently demonstrating this half term's value of Compassion. Bonnie is always on hand to help others, when they are in need, and is such a kind friend.

Willow – year 1 **Peggy** is our Shining Light of the half term for consistently demonstrating this half term's value of Compassion. Peggy is always kind, helpful to others and a pleasure to have in Willow class!

Willow – year 2 **Autumn** is our Shining Light of the half term for consistently demonstrating this half term's value of Compassion. Autumn is always friendly, kind and considerate of others. She comes to school with a welcoming smile and is a pleasure to be around!

Rowan – year 3 **William P** is our Shining Light of the Half Term for consistently demonstrating this half term's value of **Compassion**. William really cares about how everyone is feeling, in class.

Rowan – year 4 **Lucy** is our Shining Light of the Half Term for consistently demonstrating this half term's value of Compassion. She is a caring friend to everyone in class.

Oak – year 5 **Orla** is our Shining Light of the Half Term for consistently demonstrating this half term's value of Compassion. She has been wonderfully supportive of both Mr Allott by being really helpful in class and her peers, by helping them with their learning and understanding too.

Oak – year 6 **Hannah** is our Shining Light of the Half Term for consistently demonstrating this half term's value of Compassion. She stops at nothing to support others, whether it's Mr Allott by being helpful in class, or with her peers during our learning.

WOW MOMENTS!

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 How do we travel around today?

Year 3 & 4 Can you tell an adult 2 facts about the Iron Age?

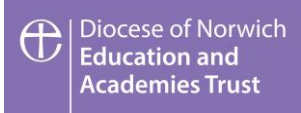
Year 5 & 6 When and where was Ancient Egypt?

OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK.....

Cherry Class

It has been a very Christmassy week in Cherry class. We began the week with our first nativity, then we had a trip to the Church to sing. We have done lots of Christmassy things such as making our Christingles, cards and have enjoyed lots of messy play. We hope the children all have a wonderful Christmas.





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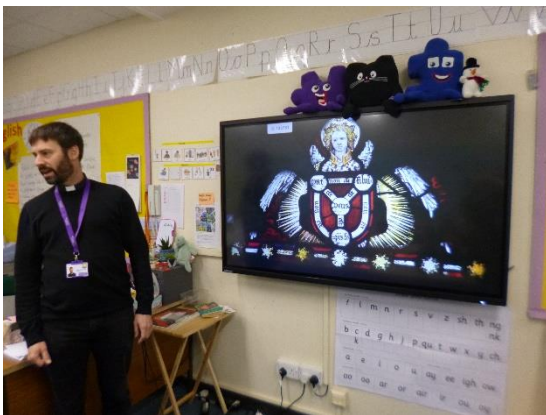
Willow Class

We have had a busy few weeks in Willow Class! We had two wonderful performances of 'Wriggly Nativity;' the children did exceptionally well and we were all so proud of all involved. On Tuesday, we visited Holkham Hall, where we had a great day visiting Santa, taking part in a craft activity and had a tour of the hall. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Rowan Class

Rowan Class have enjoyed a Christmassy end to the term. We have been finding the area of Christmas shapes in maths. We have enjoyed learning about how Christmas is celebrated in France. Reverend Richard visited our class to teach us about the Holy Trinity. Merry Christmas everyone.





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Oak Class

This week, Oak Class have been getting into the festive spirit with the Christmas Carol service on Wednesday and making Christingles on Thursday. We even turned all the lights off in Oak classroom, lit the candles and sang Silent Night which was wonderful. In PE, we have finished our Rugby unit with a great tournament where teams of 5 battled it out. The tag belts were introduced this week for an added challenge too! Elsewhere across the curriculum, we enjoyed an afternoon learning about Christmas around the world and the children tried some Panettone and practised some Italian Christmas-themed words which was great fun.





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Diary Dates 2024/24

December

- 20th Last day of term
FOLS Christmas Disco 5.30 – 7.30pm (at the village hall)

Christmas holidays 23rd December – 6th January

January

- 7th Children return to school

February

- 3rd – 9th Children's Mental Health Week
7th Year 4 Bikeability cycle training
11th Safer Internet Day
13th Dental screening

Half term 17th – 21st February

March

April

Easter holiday 7th – 22nd April

- 23rd Children return to school

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