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NEWSLETTER 14th FEBRUARY 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of the Nightingale Federation,

What a busy half-term we have had! It is a delight to welcome the lighter, longer, and warmer days, allowing our children to fully enjoy the expansive outdoor space once again. Over the last few weeks, we have had many exciting events and activities, and we are grateful for the continued support from our school community.

A special thank you to the families who took the time to attend our E-Safety parent briefings. If you were unable to attend, please find the presentation slides attached to this newsletter. The importance of e-safety cannot be overstated, and we are grateful for the joint approach in keeping our children safe online.

We are absolutely delighted to share that our most recent published assessment results place our school's outcomes incredibly strongly, both nationally and locally. We continue to focus on providing an exceptional learning environment and developing lifelong learners who are resilient, well-rounded, and empowered to 'Let their Light Shine.' To view schools within our local area, please use the Compare Schools link here: Compare Schools.

A huge thank you to our FOLS for their constant and invaluable support for our school. Their fundraising efforts and dedication make such a difference to the experiences we can offer our children. We are looking forward to our Space Dome Day on Wednesday 26th February. Due to the hall being needed, we would like to inform you that the lunch option on this day will be a packed lunch picnic day.

Looking ahead, we are excited about the number of sports events taking place during the second half of the Spring term. Our free enrichment clubs will also begin again until Easter, offering further opportunities for our pupils to engage and develop their skills.

We wish you all a wonderful and relaxing half-term break with your family.













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Notices and Reminders

Wraparound Care Bookings for Spring 2

Our booking form for before and after school care is now open for bookings for the second half of the spring term. Please use the link below, before Monday 24 February.

On Tuesdays we will be running Multi-Sports and on Wednesdays Team Games, included in the cost of after school care.

https://forms.gle/4Fi2yPwHXnCRVX9Y6

World Book Day

Thursday 6 March is World Book
Day and children are invited to
dress up as a character from a book
for the day. We look forward to
seeing all your amazing ideas on
the day!

Parents Evenings

A reminder that Parents Evenings are taking place on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th March.

Booking sheets will be available from Monday 3rd March.

Space Dome

The Space Dome is visiting us on Wednesday 26th February, and due to the hall being needed all day, we will be offering packed lunches only on this day.















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FOLS

One of the easiest ways to support our school and FOLS is to sign up to easyfundraising! It's simple, shop with 8,000+ online retailers and we'll receive a free donation.

This month only, with their Free £2 App-eal, if you register to support us via their app, we'll get £2, plus when 10+ of you register we'll unlock more bonus funding! You don't even need to do any shopping at the same time.

Get the app now and choose to support Friends of Lyng School (FOLS), Norwich once installed: https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraisingapp?utm_campaign=pmc&utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_content=pta-bonus-feb-fb1

















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Shining Lights of the Half Term

Cherry Class - Year R

Ruby is our Shining Light of the Half Term for consistently demonstrating this half term's value of Courage. Ruby consistently stands up for what is right, and is a delightful member of our class.

Willow Class - Year 1

George- for consistently showing our value of courage this half term.

Willow Class - Year 2

Iris- for consistently showing our value of courage this half term.

Rowan Class - Year 3

Carlo – for consistently showing demonstrating this half term's value of courage.

Rowan Class - Year 4

Saziye – for consistently demonstrating this half term's value of courage.

Oak Class - Year 5

Jamie has expressed this value by being much more vocal in lessons; asking some fantastic questions; answering more whole class questions and his excellent 'have a go' attitude with his writing!

Oak Class – Year 6

Stella has expressed this value by: taking much more of an active role in her own learning and progress, practising her spellings and maths at home; taking more risks with her writing and getting stuck in during PE!

OUR KEY LEARNING QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Year 1 & 2: How has road transport changed over time?

Year 3 & 4: What facts do you know about Italy?

Year 5 & 6: How does climate influence the way land is used?













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WOW MOMENTS!

Neave in year 3 has recently sat her initial piano exam and passed with merit! Well done Neave for all your hard work and keep up the practising!

Ailish in year 1 received 3 new badges at Rainbows. Well done on your achievement Ailish!

Autumn in year 2 received a medal and certificate at her gymnastics competition. Well done!

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

https://forms.gle/q6MZXdmzvtNHvJp19

OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK......

Cherry Class

This week in Cherry Class we have been super busy. We enjoyed some fine motor activities linked to Valentine's Day, did some great practical maths lessons, made bird feeders and had a lot of fun learning about the Maasai tribe. The Adumu (jumping) dance was a firm favourite this week.



















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Willow Class

Willow Class had a great DT lesson this week where we made our cars! They enjoyed making axels and attaching them to their cars. Great job!







Rowan Class

Rowan Class had a busy final week of the half term; we re-capped our learning of staying safe online on Tuesday, which was Internet Safety Day. We enjoyed an assembly presented by the Digital Leaders. Members of Cooking Club made brownies on Monday with Mrs. Warnes and Mrs. Lemon; they smelt amazing and tasted wonderful too. Wishing everyone an enjoyable half term break.

















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Oak Class

This week, Oak Class have been concluding their Ancient Egyptians topic by learning about their beliefs and the afterlife (see below the excellent display of their Egyptology-inspired writing in the main corridor). In Maths, we have continued to explore decimals; we have learnt about light pollution in Science; PE has seen our netball unit end with some excellent competitive games; the children expressed whether Gandhi's protests were religious in RE and both year groups completed their latest round of assessments recently.



















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Diary Dates 2024/25

February

14th FOLS Valentine's Day Bake Sale (after school)

26th Mobile Planetarium visit to school

27th SEND Parents' Evening (3.30 – 5.00pm)

28th Cherry Class to Gressenhall

Half term 17th - 21st February

March

5th & 6th Year 5 Bikeability cycle training

6th World Book Day (dress up as a book character)

18th Parents Evening 3.30 – 5.30pm 19th Parents Evening 3.30 – 6.00pm

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

9th – 11th Year 6 to Eaton Vale

20th Sports Day

27th Reserve Sports Day (in case of wet weather on 20th)

July

18th FOLS end of term disco (village hall)

22nd Last day of term