



NEWSLETTER – Friday 9th June 2023

Dear parents and carers,

This week we have been celebrating all things Art as the children have taken part in Art Week. A huge thank you to Miss Ferguson and Mrs Ollivier who have organised such a creative week.

Following the letter, I sent out on Monday, just a reminder that we are updating our school values. This is an exciting time at George White, as it is not very often the opportunity to update school values occurs. Thank you to those parents and carers who have already completed a voting form for our new school values. Children and staff have voted in school this week and I look forward to sharing the results with you very soon.

Voting is still open until Sunday at 6pm. If you would like to vote please click on the following link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=4ZR6_kB8UaMf_R5EaIFIZ2jxWeKYyxCt4lkcGN65KdUNFY4UkFOMFg1TIZEUVY3Nlc1N080UE5TRS4u

INTERNATIONAL DAY

On Thursday we will be celebrating International Day in school. This is an opportunity for us to celebrate not only the 26 different languages which are spoken across our school, but to learn about the many cultures and customs our school represents.

In school, we will begin the day together with a whole school International Day assembly. Throughout the day the children will look at where in the world languages across our school are spoken and there will be opportunities for children to learn some new words and customs too.

If your child speaks a second or even third language at home, and they would like to bring items in from home which represent and celebrate the language spoken and the culture and heritage, we love to see them. As a school we want to learn more about the rich diversity and cultures which make up our lovely school. Items from home could include:

- traditional dress, costume and accessories
- information and facts about the language spoken and the country of heritage
- books written in the language spoken
- a flag and some words and phrases to teach others
- artifacts and items of importance
- any other item(s) you feel you would like your child to share

In addition to this, if there are any parents and carers who would like to come in to school to talk to their child's class about the language spoken at home, please can you let either myself or Mrs Chester in the office know. This looks to be a great day of celebration.



OUR LEARNING THIS WEEK

YEAR 3

This week we have been busy learning about capacity and volume in Maths. We have learnt to read scaled to measure the volume which helped add and subtract capacity and volume. In English we have begun writing our own explanation text using technical language for our iRobot animal. We have also used cause and effect language to describe features. This week has been art week and we have created artwork based on the local artist Sarah Cannell. First, we sketched our landscape then added layers of detail using different mediums.



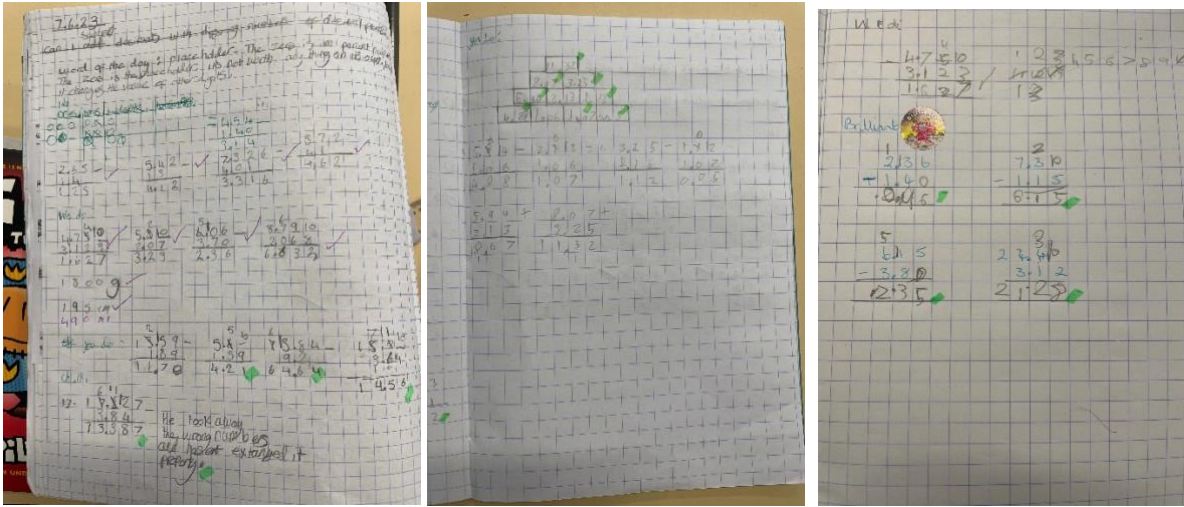
YEAR 4

This week we have literally hit the ground running with our learning! In English we have come to the end of our persuasive advert shared write. We are now thinking of our own planet saving inventions to advertise. Maths has involved identifying different angles and triangles and the properties of them. We looked at a web of triangles as an engaging activity to help with this. Our local Norfolk artist we have been inspired by for Art week is Tor Falcon. To help be inspired we started the week by walking to Cow Tower and using our senses to sketch just like she did. We can't wait to soon exhibit our work for you all to see!



YEAR 5

This week has been a busy first week back after half-term! In maths we have been adding and subtracting decimal numbers with the same number as well as differing numbers of decimal places. We used column method to help us. In English, we have started a new narrative unit based on 'Rose Blanche' by Ian McEwan. This story links well with our history unit of World War II. We practised athletics in PE in anticipation for sports day next week. Finally, it is art week! We have been planning and designing pieces of art based on the local artist Samuel Thomas. We have used photography, watercolour, pens, and pencils to recreate similar landscapes.



YEAR 6

In English, we have finished our direct speech scenario and have moved on to Postcards from Prison: Imagining that a fairy-tale villain has been apprehended. We enjoyed some drama on Wednesday when Goldilocks and The Big Bad Wolf were interrogated about their crimes.

In Maths, we have been accurately constructing shapes and finding the dimensions of circles.

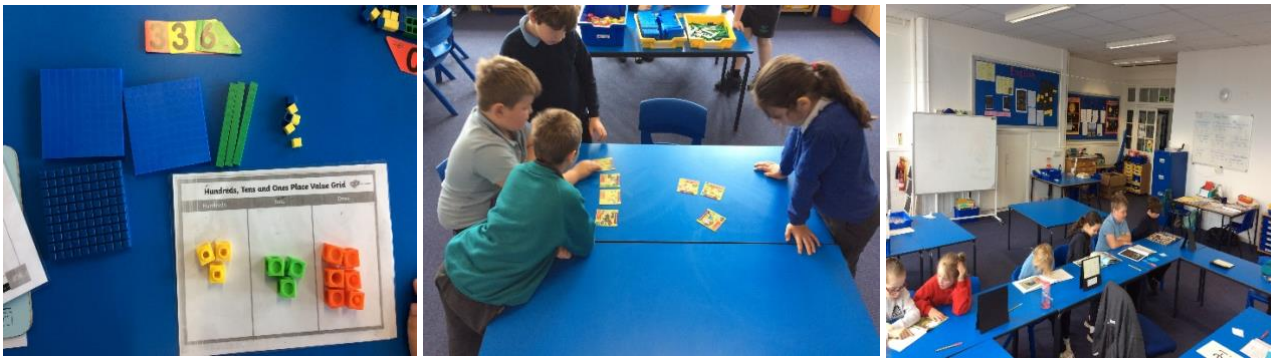
This week has been art week and we have been looking at the pictures of the local artist, Katarzyna Coleman. She takes inspiration from industrial landscapes. The children have inter-weaved photos of the old Van Dal factory with flowers and plants currently taking over the site. We have also planned Banksy pictures and are drawing them around the playground.

In PE, we are practising for Sports Day. A reminder that next week children going to Sewell Park have an afternoon sports event there on Thursday. Pick up at the end of the day will be back at George White.



APPLE CLASS

All children in Apple class have had a great start to the new half term, especially the new children who joined us on Monday. It has been great to see more established members of the class stepping up and taking a lead in showing others the ropes. We started our new history topic of WWII and children created a timeline of significant events in history to see when WWII took place. Some were surprised at how recent it was! In maths, we worked on representing numbers to 10,000 using counters, base 10 and arrow cards and talked about how we can use these skills when adding and subtracting too. We visited the library for the first time this half term and came away with a great selection of books. The children were so excited about their new stories that they couldn't wait to read them, so we had some extra reading time in class. Well done Apples, a fantastic first week.



Our school attendance target is 95%

Attendance Matters

Our attendance certificate for the highest class attendance this

week goes to **6 Larch** With **97%** **Well done**



What's On

| JUNE 2023 | |
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| Monday 5th June – Friday 16th June | Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) |
| Tuesday 13 th June | Year 5 and 6 Sports Afternoon from 1pm on the school field Please note this date change |
| Wednesday 14 th June | Year 3 and 4 Sports Afternoon from 1pm on the school field Please note this date change |
| Thursday 15 th June | International Day – whole school event |
| Thursday 15 th June | Sports event for Year 6 transitioning to Sewell Park |
| Friday 16 th June | Day of Welcome – whole school event |
| Monday 26 th June – Wednesday 28 th June | Assessment week for Year 3, 4 and 5. |
| 27 th and 28 th June | GW Got Talent |
| Thursday 29 th June | Science Day – whole school event |
| JULY 2023 | |
| Monday 3 rd July | DT Day. Parents and carers invited in to school to work with their child on their DT project at 9-10am and 1:30-3:00pm |
| Tuesday 11 th July | Year 3 & 4 end of year disco from 3:20 – 4:45 |
| Wednesday 12 th July | Year 5 end of year disco from 3:20-4:45 |
| Thursday 13 th July | Year 6 leavers disco – 3:20-4:45 Subject to change due to High school transition days |
| Friday 14 th July | End of year reports out to all parents and carers |
| Monday 17 th July | Joseph and the technicolour dream coat performance for parents and carers at 1.30pm & 5.30pm |
| Dates to be Confirmed | Year 6 Farm Trip |
| Friday 21 st July | Whole school final assembly at 11:30am |
| Friday 21 st July | Year 6 leavers assembly – parents and carers of year 6 pupils invited in at 2:30pm to watch |
| Friday 21 st July | Term ends at 3.20pm |

No Smoking On the School Site

Please can we remind all parents and carers that smoking is not permitted in any part of the school at any time. This includes all school buildings and the outside areas of the school including playgrounds, sports field or car parks.

Silver Road Community Centre

Large Collection of School uniform & Food bank - Open: Thursdays 10.30 - 12.15

Community Fridge Saturdays & Food Bank Fresh food & bakery - Saturdays 11.00 - 12.15. To Book an Appointment Please call [07786694325](tel:07786694325)

Information being shared by one of our Year 6 Parents



THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK
greatbiggreenweek.com

Saturday
10th June

2.30 - 4pm

St Peter Mancroft Church, Norwich

'NORFOLK'S HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT DAY'
EVENT SCHEDULE

Join us for 4 short talks followed by a panel discussion on the themes of our local Land, Air, Water & Urban environments.

2:30pm 'Community Climate Action: Land & Growing Community Resilience' by Joolz Thompson, iFarm

2:45pm 'A breath of fresh air?' by Prof Claire Reeves, UEA

3:00pm 'Why Is Norfolk's Water Precious?' by Tim Fisher, Norfolk Rivers Trust

3:15pm "'A city in an orchard or an orchard in a city?' Healthy urban environments in the 21st century' by Dr Noel Longhurst, UEA

3.30pm Panel Discussion chaired by Dr Hayley Pinto, The Centre For Sustainable Healthcare



THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK

greatbiggreenweek.com



Norfolk's Healthy Environment Day

Outside The Forum &
Inside St Peter Mancroft
 Church, Norwich

Saturday 10th June
10am - 4pm

Visit an exciting selection of environmental organisations outside and join us for 4 short talks on the themes of our Land, Air, Water & Urban environments followed by a panel discussion inside!

(Talks start at 2.30pm)

Watch the talks' livestream or catch up here:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=EUY81fZwGTA



SPM St Peter Mancroft
Norwich

Join us for Norfolk's Healthy Environment Day - a Great Big Green Week event organised by Norwich Friends of the Earth.

The Great Big Green Week is a national celebration of community action to tackle climate change and protect nature.

This year our event will focus on the theme 'Norfolk's Healthy Environment', encompassing four aspects: Land, Air, Water and Urban. On Saturday June 10th 10am - 4pm we will have an exciting selection of family-friendly stands outside The Forum representing organisations involved in maintaining and celebrating Norfolk's environment. Find out what YOU can do to help your local environment, protect green spaces and tackle climate change.

Alongside this we will also be hosting a series of short talks followed by a panel discussion hosted by Dr Hayley Pinto inside St Peter Mancroft Church (opposite The Forum) 2.30 - 4pm. The talks will each cover one of our four environmental aspects: Land, Air, Water and Urban. (Please see the further information sources below for the Talks Schedule). All are welcome to attend.

We hope you will join us to show your support for a safer, greener future. Together we will call on politicians to take rapid action to tackle climate change and protect nature.

For more about 'Norfolk's Healthy Environment Day':

Website article: <https://norwichfoe.co.uk/join-us-on-great-big-green-week/>

Facebook event: <https://fb.me/e/3IEJ0AE6X>

Great Big Green Week listing: <https://greatbiggreenweek.com/events/norfolks-healthy-environment-day/>

Talks' livestream/recording: www.youtube.com/watch?v=EUY81fZwGTA

For more information on Norwich Friends of the Earth:

Follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/NorwichFoElocal>

Follow us on Twitter <http://twitter.com/foenorwich>

Follow us on Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/foenorwich/>

Visit our website <https://norwichfoe.co.uk/>

SAFEGUARDING

Mrs Derer is on our school playground every Thursday and Friday morning from 8:45am. Mrs Derer is our school Parent Support Advisor, and you may already recognise her as she works at Mousehold every Monday and Tuesday. Mrs Derer is always happy to talk to you about any worries or concerns relating to your child at home or any further support we may be able to offer or signpost you to.

Our school Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

Mrs Petchey, Mrs Stolworthy, Mrs Eaglen, Miss Alderton, Ms Connor, Mrs Derer and Mrs Burman

Please speak to one of these members of staff if you are worried or concerned about the safety of a child at school.

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child out of school hours,
the number to ring is:

CADS – Children's Advice and Duty Service – 0344 800 8020



ONLINE SAFETY



