



NEWSLETTER – Friday 13th September 2024

Welcome to our first newsletter of the new school year. The first full week back has been busy as the children started their new History, French, Science, PE, RE and Art units of learning. It has been lovely watching the children across the school engaged in their learning and excited to show their written work with pride and confidence. This week we have also celebrated many achievements beyond school. Please continue to share these with us in school, it is always so nice to hear about the things children do and achieve when they are not in school.



We are currently working on developing a new look newsletter. If you have any ideas or feedback to support us with this, please use the form linked below. This form will close at 3pm on Friday 20th September, thank you.

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Safeguarding

If you have a safeguarding concern about the welfare of a child's and would like to discuss this with a professional, you can do this through Norfolk County Council's Children's Advice and Duty Service on **0344 800 8020**.

You can also talk to a school Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) Our school DSL's are: Mrs Petchey, Mrs Stolworthy, Mrs Greenwood, Mrs Derer, Mrs Eaglen, Miss Alderton and Mrs Burman.



Concerned about a child?

Are you worried about a child's welfare and would like to discuss?

You can speak directly to one of our Consultant Social Workers, and alongside our early help Pathway Advisors and partners, we will make sure the child gets the right support first time

Call our Children's Advice and Duty Service (CADS)

0344 800 8021



Add our phone number to your contacts

Our team is on hand from 9am-5pm (Mon-Fri)
Out of hours: **0344 800 8020**
If you think it is an emergency call **999**

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A polite reminder of our PE uniform

Our PE kit comprises of a plain white t-shirt, plain dark blue, black or dark grey shorts or joggers, plain dark blue, black or dark grey jumper or a school jumper and caridgon and trainers. If you are struggling to source the correct PE kit, please speak to either Mrs Derer, Mrs Chester or Mrs Watts in the school office as we may have spare PE kit in school which we can offer.

School Car Park

We are still seeing some parents and children walking through the school car park in the morning and at the end of the day. For your safety, we ask all parents, carers and children to use the steps at the side of school by the office. The school car park can become quite busy and using the steps rather than walking through the car park is the safest option, thank you.



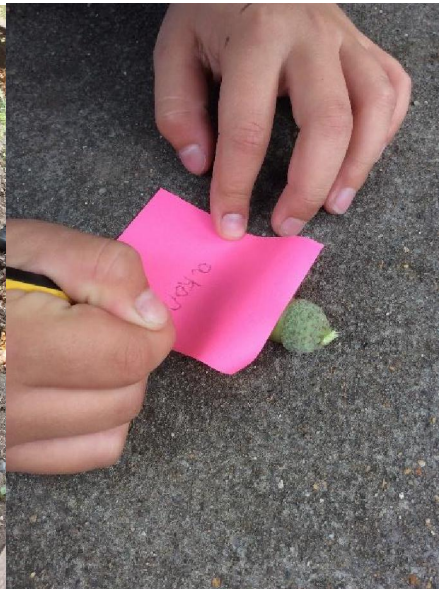
YEAR 3

Welcome to George White! The children are beginning to settle into the structures and routines of Year 3. It has been lovely to see them joining in with all the learning and activities and finding their way around.

In Maths we have been learning to partition two-digit numbers in different ways. For example, 67 is equal to $60 + 7$ or $50 + 17$ etc. We have been trying to find as many ways as possible. We have been using Base 10 and part-whole models. We are moving into placing numbers on number lines to 100.

In English we have been focussing on nouns. We know that a noun can be a person, place or thing. We have also understood that proper nouns 'are the one and only' and need capital letters. We have written books about nouns and been on a noun hunt around the school.

In Science we have started finding out about our bones. We have made life size skeletons! History has seen us working out how we can find out about prehistory because nothing was written down...



YEAR 4

This week in English, we have been working on common nouns, proper nouns, collective now and partitive nouns. The children have enjoyed playing games with each other to help them remember how to use different nouns in their writing.

In maths, Yr4 have been practicing place value, by partitioning numbers in a 3 digit and 4-digit number, looking at place holders, placing numbers on a number line up to 1000 and 10,000 and sequencing numbers.

In Science, we have started to learn about Electricity, we enjoyed talking about electrical appliances around our home that use electricity that are mains powered and items that use batteries or both! In History, we have started to learn about the Romans, we placed C, BC, AD times of the era on a timeline.

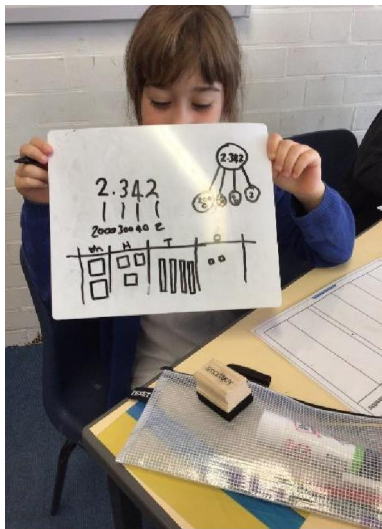
In PE, children are learning Outdoor Adventurous Activities with Mrs Gaunt on a Wednesday afternoon and Football skills on A Friday afternoon.

In Music children have started to learn the Ukulele, the children were very excited by this as these lessons take place in the music room.

In Art the children are going to start learning about Manga based on the books King Of The Sky by Laura Carlin and The Arrival by Shaun Tan.

The children have time on a Thursday afternoon to go on Times Tables Rock Stars, to practice timetables.

In French children are learning about pets.

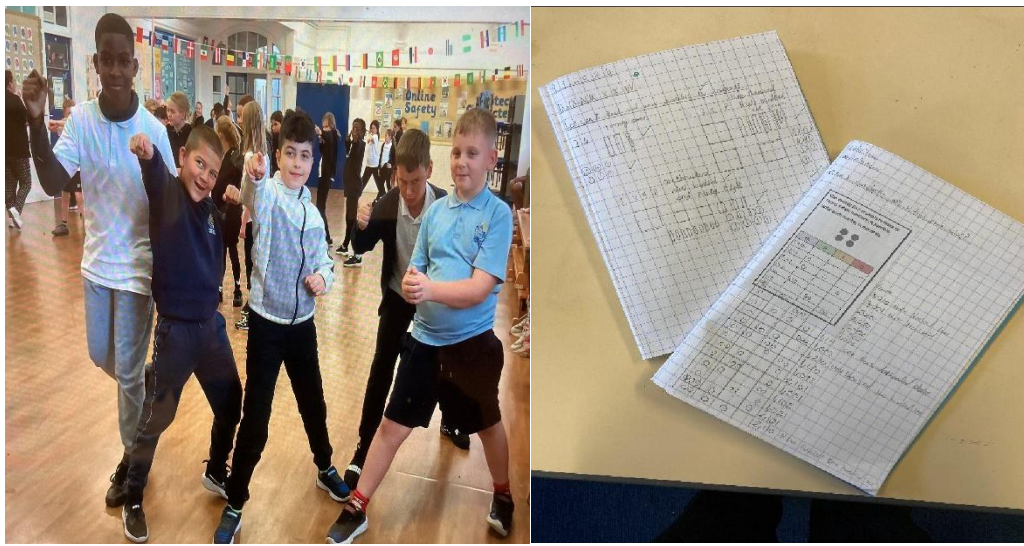


YEAR 5

Year 5 have made a fantastic start to the year, rising to the challenge of the year 5 curriculum and settling in well with their new classes and a different staff team. They approached the first school swimming lesson with the same positivity and energy. A highlight of this week was a cross-curricular dance lesson with both classes, where children created a tableaux scene and then explored using movement and expression to show our historical learning about the Vikings. In maths, we have been focusing on place value, building on our work last year by working with numbers up to 100,000. We have represented the numbers using different mathematical equipment, worked out digit values, read and written numbers in words or figures and completed digit sum calculations.

We continued looking at grammar in English, learning about different sorts of nouns (common, proper, abstract, partitive and abstract). We collected nouns, sorted nouns, wrote sentences with nouns and investigated using nouns in nonsense poems. We have been reading a short story called Flamma the Gladiator, which we will continue to study next week. The children used the prior knowledge they have of the Romans to help them to understand the amazing vocabulary and detailed description.

In other areas, we have researched Sir Isaac Newton and learnt about gravity; looked at how to approach challenges in life positively and started investigating our history question by researching and making visual notes about who the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings were.



YEAR 6

Hello Year 6 Families,

What an amazing week we've had in Year 6!

In Maths, we've been diving deep into our Number and Place Value skills. The children are really getting the hang of it, practicing their problem-solving techniques and building confidence with numbers. It's wonderful to see their progress and enthusiasm!

In English, we've been exploring the fascinating world of Nouns. Did you know that there are partitive nouns? These are special nouns that indicate quantity or size—how cool is that? The kids have shown great curiosity about language, and we can't wait to see how they use this knowledge in their writing!

In Science class, we've had some engaging discussions about the heart, a vital part of the circulatory system. Here's an interesting fact: your heart is roughly the size of your left fist! We encourage you to ask your children about what they've learned; they'll surely be excited to share more facts about this incredible organ.

Thank you for your continued support at home—it makes all the difference in our learning journey. Have a great weekend!

Warm regards,

Year 6 Team



Blake Class

Blake class have had a fantastic start to the new school year! We have started our learning about plants by going on a plant hunt around the school grounds. Children found many varieties of plants and we talked about similarities and differences. We will use these photos to learn about the parts of a plant and how they reproduce.

Children have also been working on their phonological awareness, segmenting words into syllables. We used animals and clapped out the syllables. We also played games to find phonics sounds within words.

In maths, children have been recognising and representing numbers up to 1000 using arrow cards and Base 10. We are also learning how to spell numbers.

A great start to the term Blake class, well done!



Our school attendance target is 95%

Our attendance certificate for the highest class attendance this week

Goes to **5 Almond with 96 %.** Well done!

Attendance Matters

