Newsletter March 2025





A Busy Month of Learning!

February has been another busy month, with lots of great learning taking place across the school.

Year 4 students have been studying Matthew Henson, who is claimed to be the first person to reach the North Pole. Meanwhile, Reception has been exploring oceans and animals from around the world. Year 6 students have created stunning prints inspired by their study of the Ancient Mayans, and Year 2 have been learning about the life of pioneering aviator Amy Johnson, the first woman to fly solo from England to Australia.

Alongside all of this, we've hosted a variety of sessions and activities with colleagues from the NHS for Children's Mental Health Week, and held a whole-school Internet Safety Day to help students stay safe from online scams.

This week is going to be an exciting one with our week of activities inspired by World Book Day 2025 and our live science assemblies on Friday to launch British Science Week! Thanks, as always, for your continued support.

Mr. Matthew Cross **Headteacher**

Meal Price Increase

From April 2025, NORSE, our catering company, in agreement with Norfolk County Council, will be increasing the cost of school lunches.



Starting from 1st April 2025, the price for a child's paid meal will be £2.70, an increase from £2.58.

February Trips and Visitors

This February, our students have enjoyed some fantastic trips and special visitors! Year 3 had an exciting visit to Norwich Castle Museum to explore life in Ancient Egypt, while Year 2 welcomed an architect into school to learn about building and

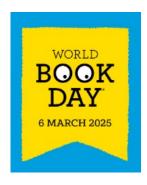


design in art. Reception also had a surprise visit from our local police officer as part of their topic about people who help in the community!

Book Week 2025

This week in school we're celebrating the joy of reading with our **Book Festival and World Book Day 2025!**

Throughout the week, children will enjoy activities including a Book Cover Competition,



Mystery Reader, and a Dress-Up Day (Thursday 6th March) where children and staff can dress as their favourite book character. Each child will also receive a £1 book token to use at <u>participating</u> bookshops.

Our New School Tree

We're excited to share a beautiful new display in our school reception – a tree covered in leaves, each one representing something that our students and staff are proud of. Created during Children's Mental Health Week, this tree celebrates the achievements and pride of our wonderful school community.



How is my child doing in school?

Below are the dates when you will receive your child's annual report and the next parent/carer evening session for your child's year group. You will be emailed once online bookings are open for appointments.

Parent/Carer Evening Reception	Week commencing 10th March 2025	
Reports Year 1 - 6	Last week of Easter Term	
Parent/Carer Evening Nursery, Year 1 - 6	Week commencing 30th June 2025	
End of Year Report Card Year 1 - 6	End of the academic year	
Reports Nursery and Reception	End of the academic year	

Car Parking

Please avoid using staff car parks during school drop-off and collection times. With many pupils entering and exiting the school on foot, we want to ensure their safety during these busy times. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

Job Opportunities - Join Our Team!

Due to the retirement of two of our valued members of support staff, we are currently recruiting for a KS1 and a KS2 Teaching Assistant to join our wonderful school community.



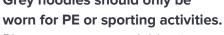
If you are enthusiastic about learning, a team player, and enjoy working with children, we would love to hear from you.

The closing date is 19 March 2025.

Find out more and apply online

Reminder: Uniform

We have a simple uniform policy for all pupils in Years 1-6: a purple jumper or cardigan, dark-colored trousers, skirt, or shorts, and dark-colored flat, sensible shoes. **Grey hoodies should only be**



Please ensure your child arrives at school in the correct uniform.



On PE days, your child should remove their earrings and have long hair tied back. Thank you for your support.

New books for our libraries!

Thank you to Mrs. Maskell and Mr. Williamson who took some of our pupils to a local bookshop to help us choose over £1000 of new books for our KS2 library! We are excited



for our new delivery of books, which we know are going to be really popular with our pupils.

Term Dates: 2025-2026

These term dates are now <u>available on our school website</u>.

You can also keep up to date with all that is going on at school with our new online calendar



Upcoming Dates

14th March 9.30am	Miss Smart's Class Assembly	Ladybirds adults
20th March	Library Bus	All adults
21st March 9.30am	Miss Harper's Class Assembly	Bees adults
24th March	Greek Day	Year 5
24th March	Year 6 Mocks Week	Year 6
26th March	Class Photos	Whole school
28th March 9.30am	Mrs Marsh's Class Assembly	Grasshoppers adults
28th March	Year 2 Snettisham Park	Year 2
31st March	Dentist Visit	Reception
1st April 3.00-3.30pm	Work Celebration Event	All adults
Easter Break 5th April to 21st April		
22nd April	Inset Day - School closed to pupils	Whole school
12th May	SATS Week	Year 6
12th May - 13th May	Horstead Residential Trip	Year 4
16th May	Go Ape Trip	Year 6