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News from our Reading Ambassadors

Our Reading Ambassadors have been wonderfully busy and are excited to share a number of upcoming events with you. They will be holding a book swap on ***Friday 19 June*** *after school, starting at 3pm. We would welcome donations on the day; these can also be brought along to Sports Day in the morning and left with staff.*

They will also be hosting our ***Reading Breakfast on 30 June****, where families can enjoy a relaxed start to the day with a book in hand. Alongside this, they will be launching a brand-new July Reading Challenge to keep everyone inspired during the final three weeks of term.*

The Ambassadors have also begun a whole-school campaign: Stop Scrolling; Start Reading. They are encouraging all of us — adults and children alike — to read more and scroll less, and we would love your support in helping them spread this message.

Finally, they are hoping to purchase some new books for our school libraries. Their wish list is long, and any support you can offer would be greatly appreciated. We are planning an activity early in the Autumn term to help raise funds and celebrate their work.

Changes to Free School Meal Entitlement

With effect from September 2026, the eligibility criteria for benefits based free school meals is changing. Going forward there will be 2 categories of FSM eligibility and it is expected that more families will be entitled.

Norfolk County Council has provided the following guidance for parents, which we encourage you to look at, particularly if you are not already entitled:

https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/freeschool meals

SIAMs Inspection

We are incredibly pleased with the outcome of our recent SIAMS inspection on Tuesday, which recognised the many strengths of our school, including our clear and well-lived vision, our exemplary pupil behaviour and the dedication of our whole staff team. Thank you for your continued support and partnership, which plays such an important part in helping our children shine every day. We will share the full report with you as soon as it is received so that you can celebrate this success with us.

This Week's Attendance

Our whole school attendance this week is 95%
The award for the best year group attendance goes to year 5 who have achieved 100% this week!

Sports Day

FOLS will be providing refreshments at Sports Day on Friday 19 June and would be very grateful for any cake donations for a Bake Sale. Please bring these with you on the day.

Rainbow raffle tickets will also be on sale, with the raffle being drawn at the end of the event.

Shining Lights of the Week

Cherry Class - Yr R
Maggie is our Shining Light of the Week for her fantastic attitude in all that she does. Maggie tries her best and follows instructions at school. She always “lets her light shine!”

Willow Class – Year 1
Oscar is our Shining Light of the Week for his hard work in all lessons this week. He has been super proud of his work!

Willow Class – Year 2
George is our Shining Light of the Week for his independent work this week. He has been contributing to class discussions well.

Rowan Class - Year 3
Sid is our Shining Light of the Week for his effort in English, sharing writing an independent paragraph about the forest at daytime.

Rowan Class - Year 4
Mrs. Warnes and I are very proud of all of Year 4 and all their hard work with their Multiplication checks, this week.

Oak Class – Year 5
Jake is our Shining Light of the Week for embracing his role in our school production and making it his own. Already, we can see what a fantastic role it is for him and I’m looking forward to seeing the end product in our leavers’ performances in the final week of term.

Oak Class – Year 6
Faith is our Shining Light of the Week for showing excellent engagement with our current writing unit where she has created an interesting imaginative animal and has taken great pride and care in writing with detail to describe it. She’s also taken feedback onboard brilliantly to further improve her non-chronological report.

Bishop of Norwich School Ambassadors' Lunch

We are very proud that two of our children within the Federation were recently selected to represent our schools at a celebratory lunch hosted by Bishop Graham Usher.

Niamh from Lyng and Charlotte from Thomas Bullock were chosen because they continually exemplify our federation's Christian values. During the lunch they were formally presented with a certificate by the Bishop, in recognition of their contribution to our schools' communities.

Well done girls on this fantastic achievement!

WOW!

Clementine (YR) *has learned ride her bike without stabilisers, riding without support straignt away!*

Argia (Y4) and Carlo (Y4) *undertook a 2km race at the Alex Moore Festival and won medals for their success! Argia has also moved up to Stage 6 in her swimming lessons.*

Rosie (YR) *has learned to ride her bike without stabilisers!*

Ailish (Y2) *entered an art competition and her entry has been published in a magazine.*

Rowan (YR) *has been awarded his 10m badge in swimming.*

Daisy (Y4) *has recently achieved her one-spin in baton twirling. She showed great determination and confidence while learning this new skill.*

Olivia (Y4) *Olivia took part in her dance school's annual showcase and was awarded the winner of her junior contemporary dance class. She has also achieved her 400m and stage 7 swimming badges.*

Willow D (Y1) and Autumn (Y3) *have both achieved a new personal best time at their junior park run*

Please continue to send in your "Wow" moments for achievements out of school using the link below:
https://forms.gle/q6MZXdmzvtNHvJp19

Please see our term dates below for the new academic year, to help with planning your diary dates:

TERM DATES 2026-27

Autumn 2026
Tues 1st Sep 2026 - Inset day
Wed 2nd Sep - Children back to school
Fri 23rd Oct - Inset day
Fri 18th Dec - Children finish at **12pm**, **break up for Christmas**

Spring 2027
Mon 4th Jan 2027 - Inset day
Tues 5th Jan - Children back to school
Thurs 25th March - Children finish at **12pm**, **break up for Easter**

Summer 2027
Mon 12th April 2027 - Inset day
Tues 13th April - Children back to school
Mon 7th June - Inset day
Wed 21st July - Children finish at **12pm**, **break up for summer**

Diary Dates
2025-26

June

12th FOLS Father's Day Shop (YR & KS1)
15th FOLS Father's Day Shop (KS2)
19th Sports Day and picnic lunch 9.15 - 12.45
Cherry Class Father's Day Event 2.00pm
24th Years 3 – 6 to Norfolk Show
25th Year 4 Choir to Norfolk Show
26th New Intake Teddy Bears Picnic 2 - 3pm
FOLS End of Term disco 3.30 - 5.45pm
29th Reception vision & hearing tests
30th Whole School Reading Breakfast 8.40 - 9.00am

July

3rd Cherry Class trip to Gressenhall
7th Y6 induction at Reepham High School
8th Y6 induction at Reepham High School
10th Willow Class to Banham Zoo
13th Y6 Leavers' Service at St Margaret's Church, Lyng 9.30am
14th Y6 Leavers' Performance
15th – 17th Y6 to Eaton Vale
15th Move Up Day (all year groups)
16th Move Up Day (all year groups)
17th Break up for summer – **school finishes at 12pm**