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Dear Parents and Carers,

Every year we ask our year 6 children to be role models for the rest of the school. We expect them to show the other children how to behave in assemblies; how to move around the school; and how to play on the playground / field. We expect them to show that they understand our values and know what that needs to look like. This year is no exception and they have really stepped up to the challenge. We are very proud of them all and know that not only are they trying to 'be the best they can be' but they are aspiring to be the best year 6 ever!

Our amazing year 6 with their buddies!



After school club – a little insight!

Thank you to Maya Fraser for being my chief photographer!



Headteacher: Miss Julia Brooks
Chair of Governors: Mrs M. Talbot





Social Media and What's App

With all the opportunities to 'talk' on-line we sometimes forget that a telephone call or a face to face meeting could resolve a worry / concern / query so much quicker. Please talk to us! The staff will always contact you as soon as they can.

Wildlife area

Thank you to the team of 'Nettle Ninjas' (Ann Wilson, Allison Woodings, Heidi Robertson, Kath Cross, Antonia Sears, Vicki Gibson and Felicity Horne) who cleared our wildlife area of all the nettles and weeds that had accumulated during the summer holiday. The area was transformed!



Climate strike (by Grace Sears)

On Friday I went to the school climate strike in Norwich with my sister Aria. There were so many people supporting the strike that I couldn't even count them. The reason all the people were striking is because we must stop global warming and rising sea levels. People had loads of brilliant ideas on how we can help to stop the damage we are doing to our planet. One of the biggest messages that I have learnt is from one of the people I admire the most, Greta Thunberg – "No one is too small to make a difference, we all need to wake up and change."

At the strike, after listening to the speakers, we did a march around Norwich centre which was greeted well by everyone and there were lots of people taking pictures.

I feel that it is very important that everyone starts looking after the planet. I now ask if it's possible that we walk or take the bus or the train or cycle instead of driving. I am a pescatarian and would like people to eat less meat to cut CO2 levels. I would like people to plant more trees to turn CO2 into O2. I would like shops to stop wrapping everything in plastic. I want people to turn lights off and use less water. I felt it was important to go on the school strike because I want people to act so we can STOP global warming.

Play leaders

Staff at Wicklewood never stop learning and this time it was the turn of our midday supervisors! As you can see from these photographs, they had a lot of fun and the children will soon benefit from their newly learnt skills.



Birthday cake

Every week we celebrate the children's birthdays and while we sing 'happy birthday' the candle is lit and blown out at the end of the rendition! For quite a while now, we have had a very sad and tired looking 'birthday cake' that was desperately in need of replacing. A HUGE 'THANK YOU' to Ellarose and Rosie for accepting the challenge to make the school a new one. They gave up several lunch times and the finished cake is amazing!



School Council

Well done to the following children who have been chosen by their peers to represent their class this year.

Wren – Ellisia and Logan; Robin – Georgina and Sebastian; Swift – Olivia and Maxi; Greenfinch – Daisy and Alex; Lapwing – Chloe and Jack; Kestrel – Georgina and Theo; and Kingfisher – Harriet and Leo.

Toys in school

Please can children keep their home toys at home. The reason that we request this is to ensure that your children's toys do not get lost or damaged. We know how important they are to them!

100 Club winners

1st - Kate Kennedy £15
2nd - Leanne Ingham £10
3rd - Chris Talbot £5

Parking reminders – sorry!

Please can I kindly ask you to use the paths on the car park that have been provided to keep you and your children safe. There are still several of you who cross where the cars are parked, or are driving, or reversing.

Also, we have noticed some cars parked on the opposite side of the road to the zigzag lines. Although this is not illegal it is dangerous as it blocks the view for those people coming out of the car park and prevents parents with push chairs safely walking along the path.



Are you in Reception or Year 1 and interested in playing football?

Morley Youth Football Club are looking for boys and girls to join the U6's team! If you would like more information, or arrange a free two-week trial, please contact Jamie on 07505480134.

Please visit your child's classroom and share their work

You are always welcome to do this after school on a Wednesday and Friday.

ALDI promotion – a reminder

This September, to help support Get Set to Eat Fresh and its aims, Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving twenty primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. Every school that enters by completing an Aldi's Kit for Schools poster with 300 Team GB stickers will also receive an exclusive sports kit. Until November 3rd, you will be given a sticker when you spend £30 or more in store. Your child can then bring it into school to add to the poster. All stickers must be in school by Monday 11th November 2019.



We have 60 so far!

Coming up:

Space week – w/b 7.10.19



During this week the whole school will be learning together about our incredible universe and about how science is important in our everyday lives on planet Earth. We want our children to be curious scientists and to understand how science fits in with their daily lives.

At the end of the week, we would like to invite you to join us (Friday 11th October 2019) to see what the children have been learning. The school gates will be open from 2.15 to 2.20p.m. If you are a little late please go the office where the staff will let you in! At 3.05pm the children will go back to their classrooms to collect their belongings ready for the end of the school day. At this point please go on to the playground and wait for your child/ren.

UPDATE: Harvest Festival – 16.10.19

Previously I stated that we had chosen 'Samaritan's Purse - Operation Christmas Child'. On reading more about this charity I have decided that it is not appropriate therefore we will be supporting the Rotary Shoebox Scheme. We would still like you to donate an item for a shoebox or donate some money to contribute to the cost of posting the boxes. <https://www.rotaryshoebox.org/>

There will be collection boxes in the foyer near the office from Monday next week and I will also have a box near me when I 'meet and greet' in the morning for those children whose parents do not come into school.

During the Harvest Festival a couple of children will collect any monies that you wish to donate. For those of you who are unable to attend we will also collect money at the beginning and end of the day. Thank you for your support with this.

Fizz and Swish Friday 11th October 2019, 7:30pm in the School Hall

Please join us for a fun night of shopping, bubbles and pampering.

How it works: you bring in your unwanted good quality clothes, shoes, bags and jewellery to sell to other "swishers" - you keep some of the money and a % goes to the Friends. We allocate you sticky labels with a number on which you write how much you'd like to sell the item for. We'll then arrange them into size order. Sellers arrive from 6pm to set up - all clothes must be out by 7pm.

Doors will then open at 7:30pm for people to come and browse, chat and get pampered.

Entrance is £5 which includes a drink and nibbles.

If you would like to donate items but cannot make the evening, you are very welcome to do so. Please just make sure all clothes are washed and in good condition. Any items left over at the end of the night can be taken back by the seller or donated to our new charity scheme "Recycle with Michael."

We hope to see lots of you there!

The Friends

This year's term dates and INSET days:

The following link will enable you to find these dates

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/term-dates-and-school-holidays>

INSET days – 19.12.19, 2.4.20 and 22.7.20.

Kind regards,

Miss Brooks

Dates for your diary (any new dates added in red)

AUTUMN TERM	
7.10.19	Space week
11.10.19	Fizz and Swish (FRIENDS)
14.10.19	Learning reviews 3.30 – 7.00
15.10.19	Learning reviews 3.30 – 5.30
16.10.19	Harvest Festival 9.15 a.m.
21.10.19	HALF TERM
6.11.19	AGM (FRIENDS)
11.11.19	GR8 AS U R week
29.11.19	Advent Decoration Day (Parent's welcome - more information to follow)
2.12.19	KS1 dress rehearsal
3.12.19	KS1 play 6.00 p.m.
4.12.19	KS1 play 2.00 p.m.
6.12.19	Christmas Party (FRIENDS)
9.12.19	Nativity dress rehearsal 9.30 a.m.
10.12.19	Nativity play (Wren) 9.30 a.m.
11.12.19	KS2 Carol Service 1.30 p.m. Christmas Celebration 3.30 p.m. (FRIENDS)
13.12.19	Christmas Jumper Day
18.12.19	Last day

SPRING TERM	
6.1.20	Term starts
29.1.20	Learning Reviews 3.30 – 7.00 (Y6)
7.2.20	Quiz and Chips (FRIENDS)
10.2.20	Learning reviews 3.30 – 7.00 (YR – Y5)
11.2.20	Learning reviews 3.30 – 5.30 (YR – Y5)
17.2.20	HALF TERM
26.2.20	GR8 AS U R 'Chilled' Fun Day
5.3.20	World Book Day
1.4.20	Last day
2.4.20	INSET DAY

SUMMER TERM	
20.4.20	Term starts
4.5.20	KS1 SATs assessments start
4.5.20	Lapwing residential Holt Hall
8.5.20	Bank Holiday (not 4.5.20)
11.5.20	KS2 SATs Kestrel residential Peak District
25.5.20	HALF TERM
1.6.20	Kingfisher residential Hilltop
18.6.20	Kingfisher bell ringing
17.6.20	KS2 Sports Day a.m.
19.6.20	KS1 Sports Day a.m.
To be confirmed	KS2 play evening
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To be confirmed	High School transition
20.7.20	Leavers' assembly
21.7.20	Last day