

Whitsun Term Newsletter 1

Dear Parents,

All Change in the Main Office

Tuesday was Ann's final day at the Free School Norwich and she received a terrific send off before starting her retirement. Prior to leaving, she spent a week and a half working with our new secretary Joe Fennessy who has made an excellent start in a very important role.

Class Photos

On Monday 13th May, we will be having our class photos taken. Please ensure that children are in the correct uniform on that day.

Year 2 Published Writers!

Well done to children in Year 2 whose writing has been published in a new book of poems

called *The Poetry Bus- The Memory Box*. Let's hope that some of those children become our authors of the future!

New Outdoor Library Project

In our ongoing commitment to foster a love for reading among our young readers, we are thrilled to announce the development of an outdoor library tailored for the warmer months ahead. To bring this innovative project to life, we plan to repurpose our retired lunch trolleys as unique reading nooks. However, given our budget constraints, we kindly seek your support to enrich this library with a diverse collection of engaging books.

If your home has any books, in reasonable condition, that your child has outgrown or no longer reads, we would greatly appreciate your generous donations to help stock our outdoor library. Additionally, if you possess artistic skills and would be interested in volunteering your time to guide a group of children in transforming these trolleys into vibrant reading spaces, your contribution would be invaluable to us.

Together, let's inspire a new generation of readers and creators by fostering a community of learning and creativity! Many thanks in advance,

Emma and Hayley

Languages Day

We're thrilled to announce our first-ever KS2 Languages Day on Tuesday 28th May! This event promises an exhilarating journey for our KS2 children through four unique countries. They'll dive into key language and enjoy enriching cultural activities, aiming to expand their horizons and introduce them to diverse languages and cultures alongside our vibrant Spanish curriculum.

Dress to Impress! To make the day even more special, we invite children to dress in traditional attire from a country they love or to showcase the colours of their chosen country's flag.

Call for Speakers!

We're also looking for bilingual adults in our community to speak at our Languages Day opening assembly. If you can share just 5minutes to explain how multilingualism has positively impacted your life, your insights will no doubt inspire and motivate our young linguists! If you can't make it, please consider sending a brief written reflection which we can share on the day. To volunteer, contact the main office via email. Join us in making this day memorable and educational! We greatly appreciate your support and participation.

Trips and Visits

Already, this term our children have been out and about around Norwich. Year 4 visited the Plantation Gardens as part of their science work and the Castle Museum for their history lessons. This week, Reception took part in a multiskills session. I hear everyone had a fantastic time!

Useful Dates:

Monday 13th May- Class group photos Thursday 9th May- Year 2 Multiskills (details to follow) Tuesday 28th May -KS2 Languages Day

Kind regards, Darren

Stars of the Week

EYFS

Last week's Star of the Week went to Aljawhra for growing in confidence and being such a helpful member of the class. This week it goes to Monisha for being a kind and supportive friend and helping people when they feel left out.

Year 1

The Star of the Week for last week was Eve for her excellent engagement in every lesson and for being a kind and helpful member of the class. This week it goes to Zoila for creating a fantastic rainbow plate in DT.

Year 2

Last week's Star of the Week went to Ned for having a super first week, being warm and friendly with new class members and working hard in lessons. This week it is Taha for always working at a high standard and having a warm friendly manner with the members of his class.

Year 3

Star of the week last week went to Farrah for excellent descriptive writing about settings. This week it is Dian for great participation and never backing down from challenges.

Year 4

Star of the Week for last week was Iona for a great start at Free School Norwich, showing motivation and positivity for all subjects. This week it goes to Danylo for positively settling in, making new friends and working hard to extend his vocabulary.

Year 5

Last week, Star of the Week went to Eli for having an incredible first week back, being focused and driven to complete his work This week it goes to Alex for all his hard work and dedication to improve his handwriting skills.

Year 6

Last week's Star of the Week went to Noah for making a tremendous effort to improve his writing. This week it goes to Farhan for showing more focus in lessons this week.

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