



WALSINGHAM CE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER – 20TH SEPTEMBER 2024

It's starting to feel autumnal!



Foxes

The children had a fantastic day at Bircham Windmill yesterday. They had the opportunity to make bread, climb the windmill, meet the resident animals and play on the park! All of the children behaved brilliantly and the staff and public commented on what an asset they were to us and our school.



It has been an extremely busy start to the year, but the children have settled in well recognising the new routines and getting stuck in with their learning. They have enjoyed exploring the text 'Where the Wild Things Are' and have spent time getting to know the characters in the story, whilst using adjectives and noun phrases to add description to their written pieces. Our EYFS children have been 'getting to grips' with phonics. They have been developing their mark making skills, moving on from emergent marks to writing with a purpose. They have learnt the graphemes SATPINMD and are working hard to blend words together orally.

In Mathematics, our youngest children have been focusing on matching objects and comparing objects by size using vocabulary such as more/less, shorter/taller, bigger/smaller. Our KS1 children have started our new White Rose Maths unit and they have been focusing on 'Place Value within 20'. The children have been focusing on those numbers beyond ten, thinking about one more and one less.

Our afternoon sessions have been busy! Art has seen us focus on colour. We have used the primary colours to paint Mondrian artworks and we have mixed the colour orange to paint sunflowers in relation to Van Gogh's paintings. In Geography, the children have been exploring maps and our EYFS children created a brilliant large-scale map of Walsingham! Do pop in to take a look!

Thank you for supporting your child with reading five times a week and with their spellings and homework – it will really make a difference to your child's education and doesn't go unnoticed!



Badgers

Badgers have made an excellent start to their school year. Last week, we were researching information about Greece and we made our own booklets about the country. We also tried some of the ingredients of a Greek salad and had fun planning and preparing our own salads.



This week, we have been learning a few simple Greek words that we can use to greet people. We have also been reading and writing about Greek myths.

In Science, we have had great fun finding out about air resistance. We made our own paper aeroplanes and helicopters and tried them out in the playground.

WATER BOTTLES:

Please remember that water bottles should only contain water. Children should not have juice or squash in their bottles please.



LETTERS AND FORMS:

Please remember to return reply slips and forms to the office promptly. It creates a lot of extra work to have to chase them up and send further copies out.
Thank you.

FORTHCOMING DATES:

Tues 1st Oct – Prayer Spaces (in school)

Fri 4th Oct – Federation Careers Morning & Picnic for Badgers (here)

Wed 9th Oct – Discovery Judaism visiting Foxes for a Workshop

Tues 15th Oct – Individual and sibling photographs

Wed 16th + Thurs 17th Oct – Parent Consultations (details to follow)

Tues 22nd Oct – Reception 2025 Open Afternoon 1:30-3:00pm

Thurs 24th Oct – Finish for half term break

Mon 4th Nov – Back to school

Tues 5th Nov – Federation Fireworks at Hindringham from 5.30pm

Wed 6th Nov to Fri 8th Nov – Year 6 residential to Norfolk Lakes

Fri 15th Nov – Children in Need day

Mon 18th Nov – Flu Immunisations

Fri 6th Dec – Christmas Jumper day

Tues 17th Dec – Federation Pantomime at Kings Lynn Corn Exchange

Fri 20th Dec – Break up for Christmas