



'I will instruct you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.' Psalm 32:8

Dear Parents and Carers,

We welcomed our new reception families who will be joining us in September - it was lovely to have so many familiar faces because older siblings already attend.

Year 4-6 enjoyed a fabulous Athletics Festival at Wisbech Grammar School. The children took part in a whole host of different field events, including High Jump, Shot Put, Discus, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Hurdles and Relay.

Year 6 enjoyed a couple of mornings with The Parachute Project this week. Harpley Year 6 joined us and together the children acted out possible scenarios they may face in the future. The children learned about passive, aggressive and assertive responses and the impact of these.

Farewell to Liz

Our lovely midday supervisor, Liz, is leaving at the end of this term after 38 years at the school! We are starting a collection for a leaving gift, if you would like to contribute please drop money into the school office.

POLITE REMINDERS

- Parking outside school, on the yellow lines or junction is prohibited. We have been made aware that illegal parking outside the school grounds has been reported to the police.

ATTENDANCE

Our attendance target is 96%

	Infants	Juniors	Overall
May	94.8%	97%	96%
April	94.5%	95.6%	95%
March	94.3%	95.7%	95.0%
February	94.7%	96.5%	95.2%

Message from PFA

The PFA have been invited to have a stand at the Summer Church Fete on Saturday 8th July from 11.30am. They will be selling jars filled with goodies. If you are able, please bring in a jam-jar filled with such things as sweets/hair bobbles/other small items to school.

Please have any order forms for new school uniform returned to the school office or given to Kerri Turner by 30th June.

The PFA Summer Fayre will be held after school on Friday 14th July - details to follow.

Week beginning 12th June 2023

This week's learning highlights:

News from Infants (Reception, Y1 and Y2)

We were delighted to welcome a visitor into our class this week to talk about food from the past. Bella's Grandma joined us to share her experiences of school lunches and to show us cookery books and recipes from her childhood. We were amazed at some of the differences between dishes from our school lunches in the present compared to those from the 1950s. We have continued this learning through our own recipe writing too.



Well done to all children who have shown such resilience through the hot weather this week! In English, the children have enjoyed looking at different recipes, identifying verbs and adverbs in order to select suitable words ready to write their own recipes very soon. The children had a brilliant time reading instructions to make their own dough, they loved kneading it and getting sticky fingers! In science, the children have been studying habitats. We visited our own local habitat in the woodlands and discussed how we know when something is alive. We went on to identify different things that were previously alive, are alive or have never been alive.



News from Juniors (Y3, Y4, Y5, and Y6)

Well done to all the 3's and 4's who tried their hardest in their end of year assessments this week. Their behaviour was impeccable! Mrs Cross is very proud of you all!

KS2 really enjoyed their trip to Sheringham on Thursday 8th June. We spent the morning looking around the MO museum and the children were inspired by the amazing stories of this unique coastal town. They also learnt the skills of rope tying and how to wash clothes without a washing machine. Using their observation skills they all were able to answer the quiz questions to find out about the types of renewable energy we have in Norfolk, and how it powers our homes. After lunch, during our visit to the Fishermen's Lifeboat museum they found out that the lifeboat was built in 1894 and is still in the original shed from where it was first launched. Attached to this was the Shell Gallery and the children were in awe of the amazing shell structures. All in all we had a great day out in Sheringham, in the sunshine, learning and discovering facts about our local area.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 26th - Friday 30th June	Aerobics mornings 8:40am - 8:55am on the playground (Weather permitting but participation is encouraged... for all)
Wednesday 28th June	Sports Day at 1:15pm, children come to school in PE kit - families welcome
Wednesday 5th July	Sports day reserve - if weather conditions put a stop to 28 th June
Friday 14th July	Year 6 Leavers Service, 2pm at the church - families welcome
Friday 14th July	PFA Summer Fayre - times TBC
Monday 17th July	Year 6 Induction Day at Litcham
Tuesday 18th July	Year 6 Induction Day at Litcham
Friday 21st July	END OF TERM
AUTUMN TERM	Wednesday 6th September - Wednesday 20th December

SUMMER TERM DATES

Monday 5th June - Friday 21st July

REGULAR DATES

- Monday:** 1.00pm to 2.00pm Music with Estelle from the Music Service
- Tuesday:** 3.30pm onwards - Benjamin Howell, piano lessons
1.00pm onwards Stef Judd, piano and guitar lessons
- Thursday:** Juniors PE - Junior children to come to school in their PE kit.
- Friday:** PE (Juniors and Infants) with Rob from ICS Coaching - children to come to school in PE kit.

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

- Year R & 1:** Rogan for your fantastic burst of enjoyment with phonics.
- Year 2:** Grace for a significant improvement in her attitude to learning, showing more independence and completing some super work in Maths
- Years 3/4:** Ruby, for coming in with a beautiful smile each morning this week
- Years 5/6:** Martha for pushing to improve her writing.

VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week our Value Leaders have been extremely busy. They wrote messages to the King and Queen that will be collected in a book and presented to the Royal family. George and Finley invited the King to join us planting seeds as we strive to encourage more bugs into Julian's Garden. Let's hope he takes them up on their generous invite ☺.

We continued our Value for Life: **THANKFULNESS**

Our 5 Core Values:



Have a warm and wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Stibbon, Mrs Stephens and the Great Massingham team

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