Great Massingham CE Primary School
Living, Learning & Flourishing

WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

'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,

Afterschool Clubs - We are committed to providing weekly clubs at both schools which increased from one club a week to two last September. Just a reminder that Active Education needs sufficient numbers to run a club to make it financially viable. If there is not enough take up the clubs will not run. You will be notified directly by Active Education on these occasions.

A new Google form is open to choose your clubs for after half term. See the link below, please only complete once. The majority vote decides the club that will run.
https://forms.gle/1ZtQstHJpYpxDfYC9

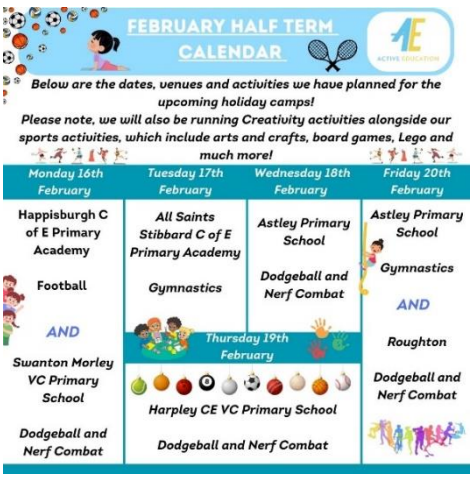
Polite reminder:
Residential payments remain low at the moment. Please keep up with your payments as per the instalment options on Pupil Asset. If you have any queries about this, contact The School Office. If anyone has any difficulties please do get in touch to talk to us about this. If we have insufficient funds to cover the cost we may have to cancel the trip.

WISE UP TO SWITCHING OFF

Free Digital Detox for Families
We're sharing this free, printable resource from WiseUp to support families in creating healthier, more balanced screen habits at home. *WiseUp to Switching Off* encourages positive conversations around screen use and wellbeing, helping children and parents find balance together.
Download here: https://team.wiseup-teambuilding.co.uk/landing-page-page

Active Education Half Term Activity Days





DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 6th February – NSPCC Number Day. A day dedicated to numbers. Feel free to wear something number related.

REGULAR DATES

Mondays: Guitar lessons with Toby Rideout. To sign up please contact Toby via email toby@rideoutmusic.co.uk
Tuesdays: PE with Active Education – **All children to come to school in PE Kit.**
Afterschool Club, run by Active Education. https://activeeducation.info/
Wednesdays: Drum lessons with Tom Relihan. To sign up please contact Tom via email tomrelihan@gmx.com
Thursdays: Junior children swimming. **Please bring swimming kit in separate bag and name all items.** All children to come into school in PE kit,
Fridays: Afterschool Club, run by Active Education. https://activeeducation.info/
As we are now we are in the winter months please refer to the below link to see the NHS guidance on whether to send your child to school if they are unwell.
https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

All absences must be reported to the school office, for each day of absence.

ATENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is 97%.			
Attendance	INFANTS	JUNIORS	OVERALL
December	**98%**	**91%**	**94%**



VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

The children are learning about respect and how to think about their actions and words and the impact they have on others.
Bible quote: Golden Rule, precept in the Gospel of Matthew (7:12): "In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you. . . ."

Our School Vision is: " I will instruct you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you" (Psalm 32:8).

Our 5 Core Values:





Kind regards and have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Myhill and the Great Massingham team

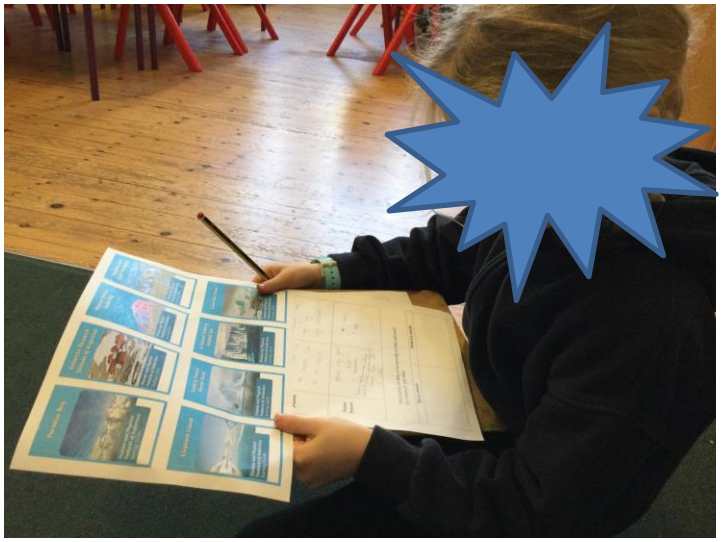
News from Infants (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)

This week we have introduced our new class story in the infants. To begin with we made predictions on what it might be… because the whole book was covered in paper and did not show the front or back cover at all! We were only able to use the clues written on the wrapping paper. Someone suggested we feel the book too, consider whether it was thick or thin, or light or heavy… all great ideas! Once we had written our predictions, the paper came off… to reveal our new class book as: 'The Snail And The Whale'. We have used this story as a starting point for our Geography too as we have wondered what the physical and human features of different continents are. We have begun the first steps to writing our own stories this week too and have considered together what 'bravery' is. The characters in the story showed bravery and our stories will be based on this too.

In maths this week have been using lots of resources to expand our understanding on addition and subtraction for Year 1 and Year 2 and for subitising ("Don't count, see the amount!") for Reception. We always extend our understanding into our play too with lots of opportunities to embed skills and practise methods. 'Numberblocks' is a firm-favourite in our class, why not have a look together at home: https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b08bzfnh/numberblocks

Within PE, the children enjoyed exploring different types of rolls including a pencil roll, dish roll,egg roll and the teddy bear roll.

In guided reading, we read another text by Julia Donaldson 'The Highway Rat' and thought about the events in the story, made predictions and discussed how the rat behaved.



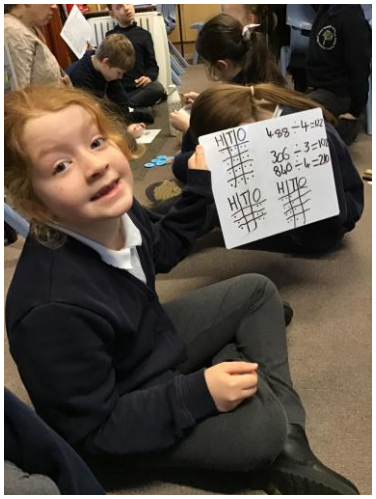






News from Years 3 & 4

The class have enjoyed reading their class text 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' and have worked hard to think in detail about events in the story, using their recall, inference and retrieval skills to summarise and explain.
In maths, the children have developed secure methods in order to divide 3 digit numbers and solve corresponding problems.
In Life Skills we learnt about our digital footprint and how using the internet has lots of positives but it can always leave a trail of what we have done or seen which isn't always helpful. Within science, the class enjoyed learning some lively songs alongside actions to help them remember the different types of rocks and the life cycle of rocks.
In geography we thought about the effects of global warming and what we can do to reduce our carbon footprint on the planet. We look forward to seeing some of these positive efforts within our school day and hearing about them at home too.









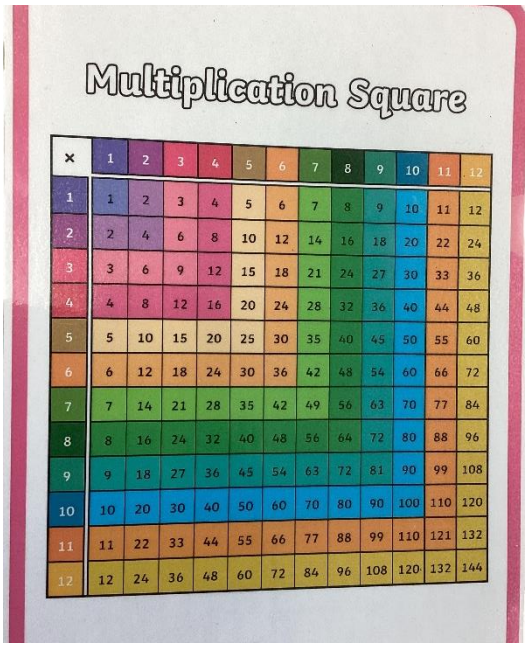




News from Years 5 & 6

This week we have been focussing on our sustainability topic, linking it to lots of areas of the curriculum. In writing we have been thinking about endangered species and why they are important. The class have been tasked to create a museum exhibit to teach people about different endangered animals. They are hoping to persuade everyone to try and save their animal!
We have also been reading 'The Explorer' and thinking about what we would do if we were stranded in the rainforest. We discussed natural resources and what you might need to help you survive in nature.
In Geography and DT we have been thinking about our food supply and how this can impact the planet. Everyone has researched their favourite food to discover how eco-friendly it is. We discovered the most sustainable food was apple crumble!





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Infants: Elsie for her perseverance in maths.

Years 3 & 4: Willow for her excellent attitude in Maths

Years 5 & 6: George for his wonderful efforts in writing this week.

GREAT MASSINGHAM VILLAGE HALL WHATS ON

Build Your Own Burger Saturdays 4.00-9.00pm. **Norfolk Pie Hole** First Monday of each month 7-9.30pm

Bar open:
Wednesday – Friday 7.00 – 11.00pm
Saturday 4.00 – 11.00pm
Sunday 12 Noon – 6.00pm

6th February- Bingo. Doors open 7.00pm
14th February – Tapping House Bingo. Doors open 7.00pm
17th February – Lunch Bunch. £8.00. Doors 12.30pm. Lunch served 1.00pm
18th February – Creative Arts. 1.00pm
24th February – Coronation Club. 2.00pm
27th February – Elvis Tribute Act. 8.00pm. Tickets £10 in advance, £12 on the door.

