



Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Newsletter 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely February half term break. It is lovely that the days are now beginning to draw out and that it is a lot lighter at the start and the end of the school day.

You may have seen in this weeks press and news that the NHS have released new guidance, Is my child too ill for school?

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

This is really clear about when children should come into school if they are mildly poorly and when they should stay home. It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they are unwell.

If you do keep your child at home, it is important to phone school or nursery on the first day. Please let us know that your child won't be in and the reason for this. You may be asked questions about the nature of the illness in line with the new guidance.

I know that this half term is very short, but we still have a packed half term of learning and interesting activities for the children leading up to Easter.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs G. Long

Executive Head Teacher

World Book Day

We are looking forward to promoting the enjoyment and the importance of reading on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. Outfits do not need to be elaborate or cost lots. Please see some no or low cost suggestions here: <https://www.goodto.com/family/world-book-day-costume-ideas-14804>

Behaviour rewards

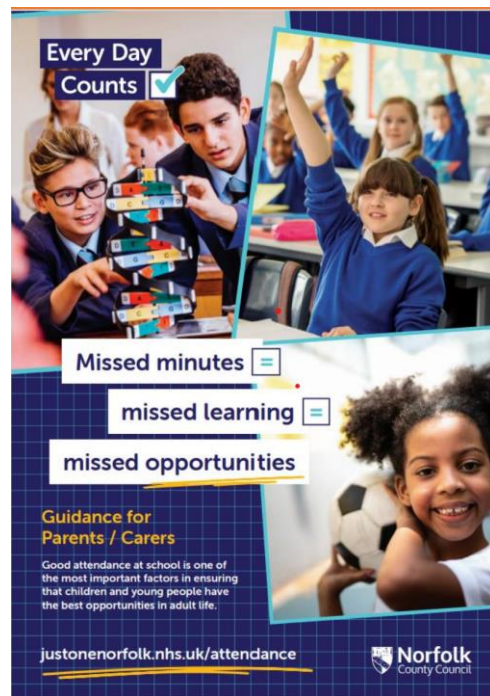
Unfortunately, the weather didn't play along yesterday so our plan of smores around the campfire for all children in Blue house, was adapted to smores type treats in the hall! Everyone had a lovely time and thanks to Mrs Burgess for organising.

House points have now been set back to zero for this half term, to give all houses a chance to earn the next reward. 😊

**Safeguarding – County Lines**

Please find attached a flyer about a webinar for parents and carers which is intended to raise awareness of County Lines. The webinar takes place on 12<sup>th</sup> March between 7:00pm and 8:30pm. Please use the link to Eventbrite below where parents and carers can book their place.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/county-lines-awareness-in-norfolk-free-parent-webinar-tickets-852060284247>



House points total this half term so far:

Red House	Blue House	Yellow House	Green House
327	370	233	233

The winning house will get to enjoy a reward at the end of term. 😊

#### Birthday treats

Some parents and carers choose to send in some small sweet treats for the class when it is their child's birthday. We are happy to facilitate this, however have always said we would tell the children to take it home and then it is up to the parent/carer to decide if/when it can be consumed. This continues to be our approach, but we are also aware of some parents who would prefer this not to happen, for valid reasons that include health issues. No approach will ever suit everyone, but as a compromise can we please request that these treats are kept for birthdays only to limit the number of occasions this occurs. Recently, there have been some well meaning and lovely end of term, valentines, Christmas and other treats and baked goods shared. Whilst these are well received and shared with all good intentions, it does make it difficult for parents to manage this if their child cannot or should not partake. Thank you for your understanding.

#### Attendance last week (before half term):

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Seacole Class 85.82%	Pankhurst Class 92.22%	Curie Class 97.86%	Parks Class 93.91%	Frank Class 92.64%	Johnson Class 98.15%	Keller Class 89.9%
Benjamin Class 87.41%	Potter Class 85.93%	Anning Class 99.03%	Rashford Class 98.89%	Tabei Class 95.06%	Tubman Class 98.07%	Goodall Class 92.75%
		Jemison Class 95.11%		Ali Class 92.46%	Hamilton Class 89.33%	Obama Class 93.72

Our attendance target is 97%. A reminder that the gates open at 8.40am and close at 8.50am. Children who arrive after 8.50am need to go through the office and will be marked as late. If your child is absent from school, please let the school office know as soon as possible on the morning of the absence. If we do not hear from parents by 9.20am, we will start our first day calling procedures.

### Information on some of our Class Names

Y2 Curie Class currently taught by Mr Fowlie whilst Miss Catchpole is on maternity leave.

Marie Curie:

Marie Curie was born in Poland in 1867. At that time women weren't allowed to go to university in Poland so she left and moved to Paris to study at the university there.



In 1911 she won the Nobel Prize for Chemistry for her experiments and discoveries. She also won a Nobel prize in Physics. She was the first woman to win a Nobel prize. She discovered two new elements : polonium and radium. Radium was used for treating various cancers.

During World War I, she helped to build a car that carried X-ray equipment to doctors treating wounded soldiers. After the war, Marie continued her study of radioactive substances and their use in medicine. Sadly, she died of radiation poisoning in 1934.

### Important Spring term diary dates:

7<sup>th</sup> March: World Book Day

11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> March: Y6 Residential trip to Bawdsey Manor

13<sup>th</sup> March: YR Trip to the Bug Parc

15<sup>th</sup> March: Y5 Trip to the Houses of Parliament

19<sup>th</sup> March: Y2 Trip to Norwich Cathedral

19<sup>th</sup> March: Face to face parents and carers evening

21<sup>st</sup> March: Virtual parent and carers meetings,

Also, FORPS Discos for pupils

Easter Holidays: 28<sup>th</sup> March to 12<sup>th</sup> April

### Safeguarding

If you have any concerns for the safety or welfare of a child at any time, but particularly during the holidays, please share your concern by calling either of the following numbers:

NSPCC – 0808 800 5000

Child Advice and Duty Service: 0344 800 8020

Also [safeguarding@rosecroft.school](mailto:safeguarding@rosecroft.school)

Calls can be anonymous