

DUSSINDALE NEWS



Week beginning: Monday 12th February 2024

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Greetings

Welcome to the last week of half term. We look forward to seeing parents and carers for Parents evening and on Friday for our 'Come and Read' Session. Thank you to those that attended the Anxiety Workshop run by the School's Mental Health Team, we hope that you found the session informative. This week our Year 5 Classes are attending a coding event at Thorpe St Andrew High School and Father James is visiting school to deliver an assembly. We also have a team of Year 3 and 4 girl footballers attending the Nest-we wish them the best of luck! Our assembly this week will reflect on women's achievements in science. We will learn how Rosalind Franklin, Marie Curie and Jane Goodall all made great achievements in science. Our story of "Greta and the Giants" will show children how they can also make a difference.

Be Ready

Well done to Cavell, Obama and Malala classes who were the most punctual classes last week. All three classes had 100% of pupils who were on time all week. Dojo point coming your way!

Be Responsible

Well done to Annabel Hayhoe who has achieved her 150 Dojos-Gold Award certificate.



Be Respectful

It has been lovely to hear children say good morning on their way into school, holding doors for others and saying thank you when an adult or peer has helped them.



Be Resilient

This week each class will nominate a child who has shown the most improvement in their handwriting this half term. We look forward to celebrating your success in Celebration Assembly!



School Lunches on Arbor Parent Portal

The new weekly menus for school lunches are now available on the [school website](#). Please note we return on **Week 2** with pork sausage hot dog as the main and all orders must now be placed via **Arbor Parent Portal**.

<https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/articles/6956696271261-Meal-Menu-choices-on-the-Parent-Portal-or-Parent-App>



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World Book Day - Thursday 7th March 2024

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7 MARCH 2024

World Book Day Dressing up

We are all looking forward to celebrating World Book Day this year on THURSDAY 7th MARCH. As part of our celebrations we will be inviting the children to dress up as a favourite book character. Please click this link for a [parent and carer's guide to dressing up](#), which offers some ideas and inspiration.

Bookbugs & Dragon Tales Book fair

To help kick off our World Book Day celebrations, staff from the Norwich children's bookshop 'Bookbugs and Dragon tales' will be visiting us on Monday 4th March to host storytelling sessions with all classes, They will then be holding a book fair in the hall straight after school so parents can browse and purchase books with their children.



Gifts Galore for Mother's Day, Easter or a March Birthday!

11am-3pm
South Site Hall

Thorpe St Andrew School and Sixth Form,
Laundry Lane, NR7 0XS. Free entry

If you're a stallholder and would like to join us at our indoor event, please email Graham at thorpefriends@gmail.com for more details.



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Tel: **01603 811 118**





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Schools and Community Team

We know that life at times can be hard and families can face challenging times. As a school we work alongside the Broadland Schools Community Team, who provide much needed support and advice for families. Their aim is to engage with families at an early stage to improve outcomes for children.

From concerns around your child's health, wellbeing, behaviours, SEND or learning the Schools Community Team are here to provide some practical early help for our families.

You can speak to your child's class teacher or contact the Designated Safeguarding Lead (Mrs Bradley) or SENCO (Mrs Dorling) if you would like more information.



Parent or carer? Need advice or support?

There's lots of services to help in Norfolk and they're joining together in what's called Norfolk Family Hubs.

Visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/familyhubs or www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/family-hubs to out more, including information on:

- Parenting
- Health and wellbeing
- Pregnancy
- Money and work
- Learning
- Days out and activities.

From the minute you know you're having a baby, right up to your child's 19th birthday (25 if your child has special educational needs), Norfolk Family Hubs are here to help.








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FANTASTIC LEARNING



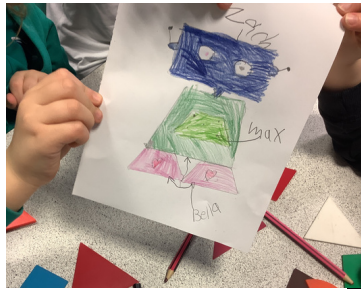
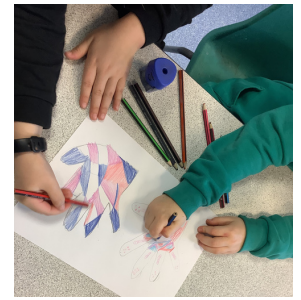
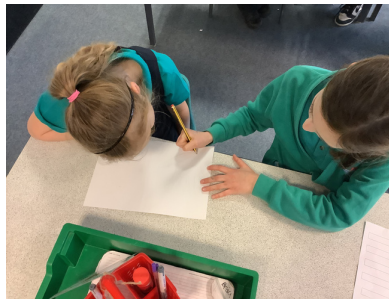
In EYFS, children have been creating models using household recycling.



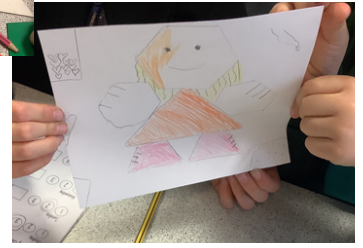
Year 3 explored friction in their science lessons.



Year 2 created collaborative stained glass windows.



Parks Class enjoyed completing activities with Franklin Class during mental health week.



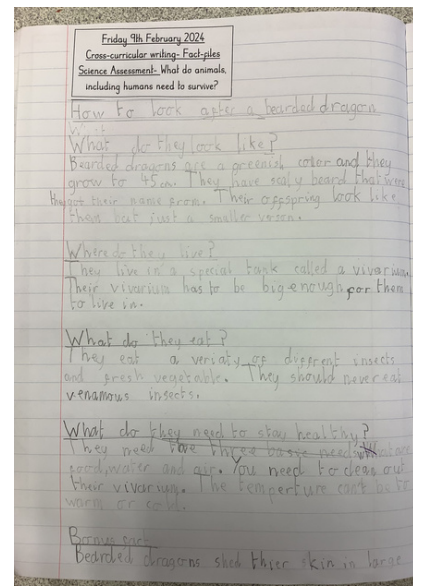
Year 2 produced some fantastic reports about animals.



Year 5 classes explored colour and texture when creating they fashion fabrics.



Some KS1 pupils enjoyed taking part in a NCFC event.



Dussindale Junior Librarians



Following their visit to the bookshop, our super school librarians have selected some of their favourite books from our purchases to recommend.

Read Piper's book recommendation

I have chosen the book *Hooky* by Miriam Bonastre Tur to recommend. It is about twin witches called Dani and Dorian who go on an adventure. I love this book because it reminds me that even when things are tricky, you have to try. If you like graphic novels and you like books about adventures, then you should borrow this amazing book from our library.



Read Imogen's book recommendation

If you like funny, tragic and a little bit of magic then I present to you *Super Happy Magic Forest and the distant desert* by Matty Long. This book is about five adventurers: Blossom the Unicorn, Trevor the Mushroom, Hoofus the Faun, Twinkle the Pixie and Herbert the Gnome. I Love this book because it uses both words and comic strip drawings to tell the story but doesn't rely on either one. If you like *Dogman* and *Captain Underpants*, then you will also like *Super Happy Magic Forest*. I now want to read the next six books.



Read Maeve's book recommendation

I have chosen the book *Cat Kid Comic Club* by Dav Pilkey to recommend. It is about a young cat and tadpole who start a comic club. I love this book because it inspired me to write my own comics and read more. If you like funny, exciting comics then this book is for you.



Dussindale Junior Librarians



Read Gertie's book recommendation

I have chosen the book *Gigantic* by Rob Biddulph to recommend. It is about a little whale called Gigantic who gets teased by his brother Titan because of his size. I love this book because even though Titan was mean to Gigantic, Gigantic still helped him. If you like stories of friendship and kindness then you would also love this book.

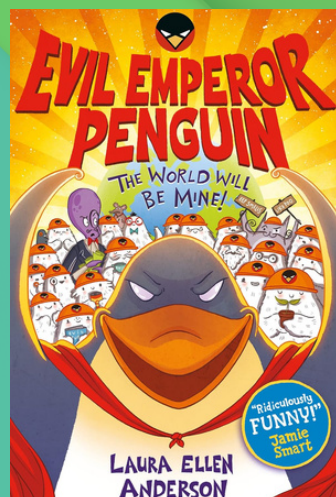
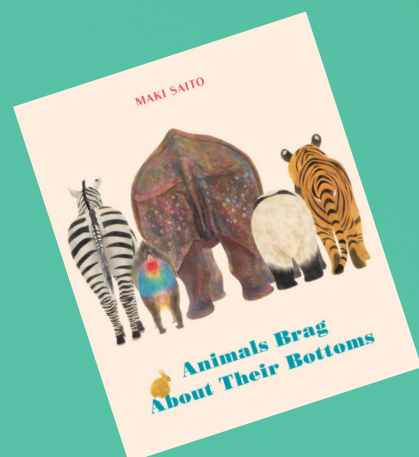


Read Maisie's book recommendation

I have chosen the book *The Bad Guys episodes 1 & 2* by Aaron Blabey to recommend. It is about four animals being bad guys but then they realised that they didn't want to be bad anymore. I love this book because it is about animals being unanimal-like. If you like comedy, drama and action then this book is definitely for you.

Here are some more of the Librarian's choices.

If any other children would like to add a book recommendation for the newsletter please see Mrs. Black.



REMINDERS

School Day

The site opens at 8.30am and the doors at 8.40 am. The gates close at 8.50 am as this is registration. In the afternoon the gates open at 3.10 pm ready for Reception to be collected at 3.15 pm and Year 1-6 at 3.20 pm.

School Uniform

Pupils are expected to wear a jade sweatshirt with the school logo, jade green polo shirt, navy trousers, shorts or skirt with green, navy or white tights or socks and plain black, flat shoes with a good sole grip. Green and white gingham dresses are also permitted. Your child's teacher will confirm when the class are learning PE and on these days children are expected to attend in a white t-shirt, black shorts, dark colour trainers and or black, navy or grey tracksuit. Please note all clothing must be plain with no logos.

Lost Property

Please name all items of clothing so it can be returned to pupils. Unnamed items will be kept in the office for a fortnight for collection.

Attendance

If your child is absent please ensure you let the office know by either leaving a message on the school answer phone 01603 436180 or email office-ds@yare-edu.org.uk. Please be aware that when children reach 9 unauthorised sessions within a six week period, schools are now required to issue a fixed penalty notice. If you are worried about your child's attendance Just One Norfolk have some useful advice: <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/attendance>
Please refrain from using Class Dojo for reporting absences as the admin team do not have access to it.

Benjamin DAB - Breakfast and After School Club

Breakfast club sessions run from 7:30am to 8:40am and cost £6. A choice of cereals and toast are available. After school sessions run from 3:20pm to 6:00pm and cost £12. All children are provided with a school snack pack. Sessions are operated by school staff and will usually take place in the hall. Sessions are filling fast, with some already being full up. For any enquiries, please email benjamindab@yare-edu.org.uk

Parking

Can we please remind parents to use Sainsbury's Car Park and walk through to the Vane Close school gate to keep our pupils safe and ensure they respect local residents.

Guide for parents worried about Neurodiversity Differences/Additional Needs

This NHS [guide](#) (on the SEND page of the school website) signpost families to resources and services to support you on your journey as well as useful information about training, EHCPs and help with sleep and mental health difficulties. Please reach out to these services for help.

Clubs

The following clubs are available to book on Arbor: Girls Football for Years 2 - 6 on Monday and Tennis for Year 5 on Tuesday, Year 4 on Wednesday and Year 3 on Thursday. All sports clubs will run 3.30 - 4.30 pm until Friday 22nd March. Snow White will also continue after half term on a Wednesday 3.30 - 4.30 pm.

Year R Height and Weight Checks

If your child is not taking part in the Year R Height and Weight Checks on the 12th and 13th February please return the form in this [link](#).

SENCo Coffee Morning

We will be holding our next SENCO coffee morning on Monday 26th Feb at 9am. Mr Salgado (Thorpe St Andrew High School Senco) will be joining us. He will talk to parents/carers about the schools SEND provision/transition arrangements. Refreshments provided.

Norwich Science Fair

Ahead of science week in March, Norwich Science Fair has lots of free events for families in February. Visit this [link](#) to find out more.

Dyslexia Awareness Training

Weds 27 Mar 2024 9.30 – 11.45AM	Making Learning Stick (all ages) - The workshop will explore what working memory is, as well as many ways for you to support your child with working memory skills to help increase their confidence and ability when reading, writing, doing arithmetic or studying for exams.	£10 per person
Thurs 2 May 2024 9.30 – 11.45AM	Supporting Maths Difficulties (all ages) - The workshop will look at the types of challenges a dyslexic young person might face when doing maths and explore a wide range of practical support tools, resources and apps that you can use at home to support your child.	£10 per person
Tues 18 Jun 2024 9.30 – 11.45AM	Reading/Spelling Strategies (primary age) – The workshop will look at the types of challenges a dyslexic young person might face when doing reading and spelling, and explore a wide range of practical support tools, resources and apps that you can use at home to support your child.	£10 per person

To book your place please click [here](#)

Please contact Laura Bates for further information or to book a place at:
dosadmin@taverhamhigh.org or telephone 01603 860505 ex 239

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You might have a parenting question or a worry about your child or young person's (age 0-19) physical, mental or emotional health. Whatever your reason to call, our team are here to help you.

Phone: Just One Number on [0300 300 0123](tel:03003000123)

Text: Parentline on 07520 631590

Visit: www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk



DIARY DATES

Monday 12th and Wednesday 14th February - Parent Teacher Consultation Evening
Monday 12th February - Year 3/4 girls football event NCFC
Thursday 15th February - 3.30 pm PTFA meeting in the library
Friday 16th February - 8.50 - 9.20 am Parents reading in class with children
Monday 19th to Friday 23rd February - Half term
Monday 26th February - 9 am Parent and Carer Coffee Morning with SENCo
Thursday 7th March - World Book Day
Friday 15th March - Year 4 Bikeability Group 1 and 2
Friday 15th March - Comic Relief tbc
Wednesday 20th March - Year 5 Wicked trip
Friday 22nd March - Year 4 Bikeability Group 3 and 4
Friday 22nd March - Snow White Performance to parents 2-3pm
Friday 22nd March - 8.50 - 9.20 am Parents reading in class with children
Friday 22nd March - School 'Festival of Light' discos - PTFA event
Wednesday 20th - 27th March - Easter Egg lottery squares on sale
Wednesday 27th March - Easter Egg lottery draw
Monday 25th March - Year 5 Level 1 Bikeability Groups 1 and 2
Tuesday 26th March - Year 5 Level 1 Bikeability Groups 3 and 4
Thursday 28th March - Trust INSET day School Closed
Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April - Easter Holidays
Monday 22nd April - Year 5/6 NCFC football league 1 - 5 pm (Max squad size 10 pupils)
Monday 29th April - Yr 5 Victorian Day at Gressenhall
Monday 29th April - Year 3/4 NCFC football league 1 - 5 pm (Max squad size 10 pupils)
Monday 6th May - Bank holiday Monday
Tuesday 7th May - Thursday 9th May - Year 4 Eaton Vale residential
Friday 10th May - Quiz and Chips - PTFA event tbc
Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May - Key Stage 2 SATs week
Monday 20th May - Year 3/4 Tennis Competition - 8 places for pupils
Tuesday 21st May - 8.50 - 9.20 am Parents reading in class with children
Friday 24th May - 8.50 - 9.20 am Parents reading in class with children
Monday 27th - Friday 31st May - Half term
Week beginning Monday 3rd June - Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
Tuesday 4th June - Year 5/6 Cricket Competition (Limited number of places)
Wednesday 5th June - Year 2 educational visit to Strangers Hall
Wednesday 5th June - Prospective Year R parents meeting
Thursday 6th June - Year 5/6 Girls Cricket Competition (Limited number of places)
Monday 6th - Wednesday 8th June - Year 6 residential to Gillwell Park
Week beginning 10th June - Key Stage 1 Phonics Screening
Tuesday 18th June - Year 3/4 Safeguarding Talk by Police
Wednesday 19th June - Year 3/4 Safeguarding Talk by Police
Thursday 20th June - EYFS and Key Stage 1 Sports Day morning followed by picnic
Friday 21st June - Day of Welcome
Monday 24th June - Year 3/4 NCFC football league 1 - 5 pm (Max squad size 10 pupils)