

# DUSSINDALE NEWS



Week beginning: Monday 18th March 2024

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## Welcome

Welcome to a new week! Congratulations to Salhouse, who were overall house winners last half term. Hickling House were the winners of the History Hunt and Wroxham House won the History/Geography quiz!

We are looking forward to the busy week ahead. On Monday EYFS are heading to Wroxham Barns and Geoff Lawson will be leading our whole school assembly.

On Wednesday Year 4 are off to Norwich Castle for a Roman Day and Year 5 are heading to London to watch the musical "Wicked".

On Thursday girls in Years 1-4 will be participating in a Disney Football event at Thorpe High School, whilst the boys will be taking part in a house competition at school.

On Friday Snow White Club will be performing their play for their parents and more Year 4 children will be completing their Level 1 Bikeability training. Don't forget your dancing shoes as it's disco time on Friday!



## Be Ready

Well done to Parks Class, Curie Class and Obama Class who had 100% of pupils on time all week! Dojo point for all pupils in those classes!

## Be Respectful

It has been great to see so much wonderful walking around school! Well done everyone!

## Be Resilient

Well done to Maizie in Obama Class who is the first pupil to reach 200 Class Dojos!



## Be Responsible

Well done to the Year 4 children who completed their Bikeability training last week.



Together on a voyage of discovery...

Be responsible, Be respectful, Be resilient and Be ready

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Arran who has passed his brown double white grading and also achieved gold and silver in the inter house competition.

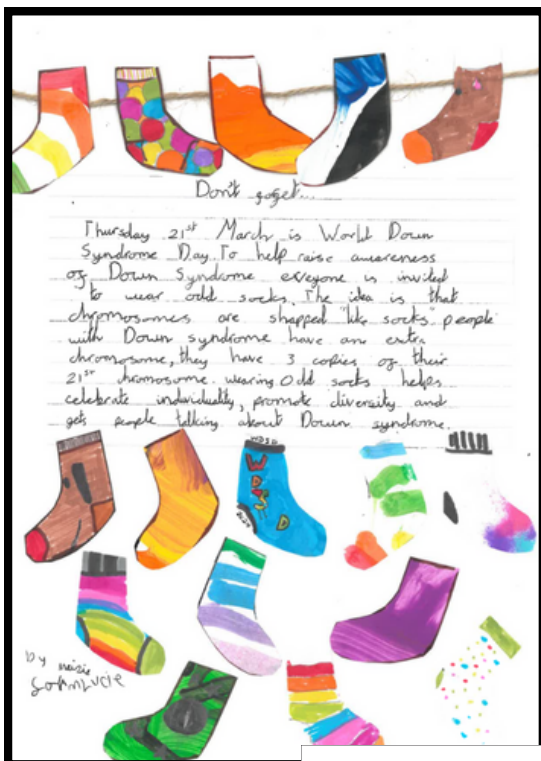


## Commendation

Well done to Sohpia who has earned her Gold badge at Rainbows. To get the gold badge she had to get all 6 theme badges, interest badges, attend a number of hours of Rainbows and complete her skills builder badge each term.



## Odd Socks Day - Thursday 21st March



We are delighted that Dussindale will be celebrating World Down Syndrome Day next week. Sisters Maizie (Y5) and Lucy (Y2) are passionate about raising awareness of Down Syndrome. They have created this lovely poster to invite all our pupils to wear their funkiest socks on Thursday 21st March. Wearing your funkiest socks symbolises the uniqueness of every chromosome - each one valuable, and one-of-a-kind!



## Red Nose Day

The children had a fantastic Red Nose Day and looked wonderful with their amazing hair designs! Thank you to all those that provided cake and biscuit donations for School Council's cake sale. We are delighted to have raised £175 so far!





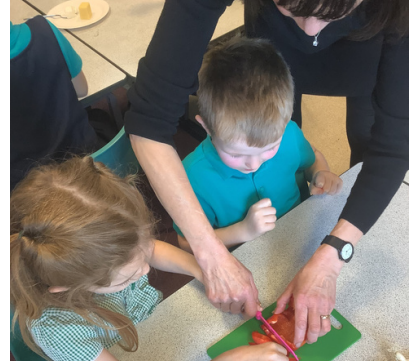
# FANTASTIC LEARNING



Year 1 could explain what is healthy and unhealthy.



In Reception the children have been exploring shapes in the sand and talking about the 2D shape imprints they left behind. They have also drawn pictures to show what gravity looks like.



Year 2 enjoyed tasting and preparing ingredients for their healthy wraps.



Year 1 and 3 explored different art techniques, including printing and collage.



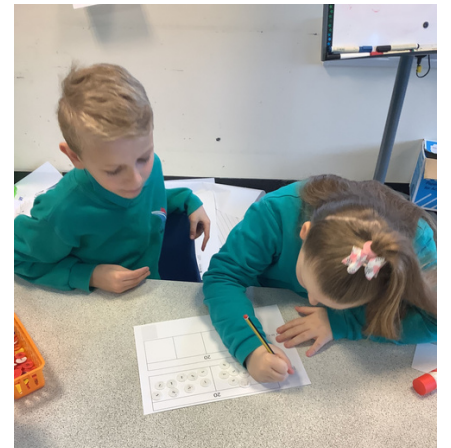
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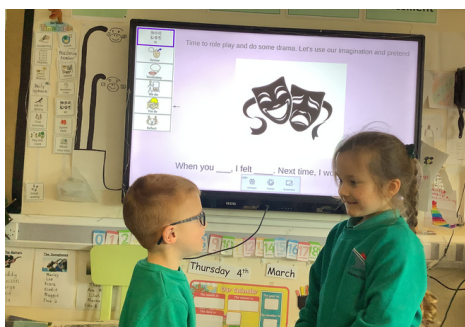
We had some very creative hair designs for Red Nose Day!



Year 3 learnt how to find fractions of amounts.



Year 5 observed chemical changes when mixing milk and white vinegar to make casein plastic.



Year 1 had a try at role play in their PSHE lessons.



# REMINDERS

## **School Lunches**

The weekly menus for school lunches are now available on the school website. Please ensure all orders are placed (or cancelled) via Arbor Parent Portal.

## **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](mailto: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**

We are delighted to let you know we now have a mobile phone so that you are able to contact us whilst your child/children are in our care. The number is 07546 601453. Please note the phone will only be switched on and available during session times. We will also still be accessing and using our email address [benjamindab@yare-edu.org.uk](mailto:benjamindab@yare-edu.org.uk). Please email if you would like to know about current available sessions or to be placed on our waiting list.

## **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.



## Clubs

### All Clubs finish this week, with the last one being 21st March

The following clubs are available this half term: Girls Football for Years 2 - 6 on Monday, Kindness in the Community for Years 1 - 4 on Wednesday and Tennis for Year 5 on Tuesday, Year 4 on Wednesday and Year 3 on Thursday. All these clubs will run 3.30 - 4.30 pm until Friday 22nd March. Snow White also continues on a Wednesday 3.30 - 5 pm.

### Coffee morning with SENCo

Our next SENCO coffee morning will be held on Monday 25th March at 9am. Mr Salgado, the SENCO at Thorpe St. Andrew High School has confirmed that he will attend to discuss arrangements for High School transition. Refreshments will be provided.

### 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.

### 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

<b>Weds 27 Mar 2024</b> <b>9.30 – 11.45AM</b>	<b>Making Learning Stick (all ages)</b> - 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
<b>Thurs 2 May 2024</b> <b>9.30 – 11.45AM</b>	<b>Supporting Maths Difficulties (all ages)</b> - 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
<b>Tues 18 Jun 2024</b> <b>9.30 – 11.45AM</b>	<b>Reading/Spelling Strategies (primary age)</b> – 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](mailto:dosadmin@taverhamhigh.org) or telephone 01603 860505 ex 239







# Big Norfolk Holiday Fun


**Spring into action-packed activities!**  
**Join us from 2-12 April**


- Fantastic sport, creative and outdoor activities with a free healthy meal
- **FREE** for all children eligible for benefits-related free school meals
- To ensure the right support is in place, please notify the activity provider if your child has special educational needs or a disability.

The funding from the Department of Education has enabled us to run our four-year Big Norfolk Holiday programme. Share with us your memorable experiences of the scheme so far, email: [bnhf@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:bnhf@norfolk.gov.uk)



**Booking now open**  
**Find an activity near you**  
**Visit [www.everymove.uk](http://www.everymove.uk)**







**Norfolk County Council Family Information Service**  
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Wellbeing Norfolk and Waveney are offering a Family Relationships – A Toolkit for Parents and Care Givers webinar!

Being or becoming a parent, a grandparent, a stepparent, or a carer for a child can be an exciting and joyful experience, but the responsibilities can also bring many of us additional stress and anxiety, and this can lead to people experiencing low mood. And we know that caring for others can be stressful on top of our already hectic lives.

This one-off, two-hour online workshop is not a lesson in parenting, but it gives participants an opportunity to learn about some of the issues and problems encountered in family relationships and the workshop gives lots of practical tips for reducing conflict and for effective communication.

 **When:** Thursday 21st March  
 **Time:** 10am-12pm  
 **Where:** Online

To book a place visit, <https://ow.ly/CIXt50QNhHA>

Source: Wellbeing Norfolk and Waveney



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## PTFA events

# Happy Holi

A colourful disco to celebrate the festival of colour  
 Wear your brightest colours and come celebrate with us,  
 Friday the 22nd March.  
 Ks1 4.30-5.45pm  
 Ks2 6.15-8 pm

Ks1 will include a snack and a drink  
 Ks2 will have a pop up shop (please don't send them with  
 anymore than £1!)

Hop on over for our

# EASTER Squares

Running March 20th-27th  
**£1 a square**  
 for some egg-citing fun!

In the school playground





# DIARY DATES

- Monday 18th March - EYFS educational visit to Wroxham Barns
- Wednesday 20th March - Year 5 Wicked trip Apollo Theatre
- Wednesday 20th March - Year 4 Castle Museum educational visit
- Thursday 21st March- Parent Forum at 9am
- Thursday 21st March - Girls Disney themed football Year 1/2
- Thursday 21st March - Girls football Year 3/4
- Thursday 21st March - Remaining Year R Height and Weight Checks
- Friday 22nd March-Year 4 Bikeability
- Friday 22nd March-Snow White Performance to parents 2-3pm
- Friday 22nd March - 8.50 - 9.20am 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
- Monday 25th March - Year 1/2 to Cricket (Limited number of pupils)**
- 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)
- Tuesday 23rd April - Year 3/4 Sportsall Athletics am and Year 5 pm**
- Friday 26th April - Year 2 Sleepover**
- 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
- Tuesday 7th May - Year 5 Bikeability**
- 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
- Monday 17th June - Year 4 boys football festival at NCFS (limited number of places) tbc**
- 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