

# School Newsletter

12 May 2023



Dear Parents & Carers,

What a busy few weeks we have had since we last sent a newsletter out! Firstly, we would like to begin by congratulating all of our Year 6 pupils on their efforts this week with their SATS. They have worked incredibly hard in the lead up to the assessments and were an absolute credit to the school in their conduct during the week of assessments. All we have asked of the children is that they try their absolute best. We know that these assessments are just a snapshot and do not test their ability in other areas of the curriculum such as art, science and PE and nor are they an assessment on their other personal attributes and skills. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Year 6 staff for all their support to the children with their assessments and for the organisation of the running of SATS week. The children have had special breakfasts during the week to make sure they were ready for their tests each day – these were a real treat and helped to set the children up for the day ahead.

Last week, the whole school enjoyed marking the celebration of the Coronation of King Charles III. Hopefully you have seen our news post from our website but if you haven't, [click here](#) to find out what we got up to in school on Friday. We were so lucky with the weather as we only had a few spots of rain during the day. The children enjoyed eating together in a street party style lunch, we had one of our Year 6 pupils playing 'God save the King' on the trumpet and all of the children came together to sing a special Coronation song. It was wonderful to see so many children dressed in red, white and blue and some children dressed in their smartest attire for the event.

Kindest regards,

*Mrs Robinson, Mr Keer and Mrs Seearave*



## Dates for Your Diary

<b>Tues 23 May</b>	Class photo reshoot <b>**NEW DATE**</b> All children in uniform.
<b>29 May – 2 June</b>	Half-term holiday
<b>5 June – 23 June</b>	Year 4 multiplication tables check (children will complete it during this period)
<b>Mon 26 June</b>	Year 4 karate workshops (in school)
<b>7 – 9 June</b>	Year 6 residential trip to Eaton Vale
<b>Fri 16 June</b>	Norfolk Welcomes Day – children can wear yellow and green to school
<b>Tues 27 June</b>	Whole school photograph (all children in school uniform)
<b>Mon 3 July</b>	Year 5 Space Centre visit
<b>12 – 14 July</b>	Transition days for Year 6 pupils to Hellesdon High. Year 3, 4 and 5 will move into their new classes for the three days and we will welcome Year 2 children into school.
<b>Mon 17 July</b>	Year 3 and Year 4 Sports Day (time to be confirmed) <b>**CHANGE OF DATE**</b>
<b>Wed 19 July</b>	Year 5 and Year 6 Sports Day (time to be confirmed) <b>**CHANGE OF DATE**</b>
<b>Tues 18 July</b>	Year 6 Leavers Assembly to parents (time to be confirmed)
<b>Fri 21 July</b>	Last day of term (free non uniform day for all pupils)

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### Help with school uniform costs

We have been sent the flyer below from Anguish's Educational Foundation. Contact them as soon as possible to apply for help with the cost of school uniform.



Do you live in the City of Norwich, Catton, Corpusty, Costessey, Hellesdon, Sprowston or Thorpe St Andrew?

Do you need help with the cost of school uniforms for the new school year starting this September

**Apply now**

Due to high demand, applications received after 31st July may not get processed before the new school year starts.

Contact us to find out if we can help you.

Email us: [info@norwichcharitabletrusts.org.uk](mailto:info@norwichcharitabletrusts.org.uk)

Or telephone and leave your name: 01603 621023

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### Advanced notice of PE kit changes September 2023

Please be aware that from September, our PE kit will be changing slightly. We will still continue to ask the children to wear their PE kit on their PE / Games lesson days because it means the children get more active time during their lessons and lost property has significantly reduced. However, at times we have noticed that PE kit sometimes doesn't look quite as smart and as it is in place of uniform on PE days, we would like to change things slightly. Therefore, **PE tops should be either the white logo t-shirt (available from Birds) or a plain white polo shirt**. Polo shirts are available in various high street shops and supermarkets.



We also remind parents that **plain** black jumpers / hoodies worn on PE/Games days are plain. Alternatively, children can wear a green Firside fleece (available from Birds).



### Class photographs \*NEW DATE\*

Following on from our last newsletter, we have now secured a new date for our class photo reshoot. These will take place on Tuesday 23 May. **ALL** children should be wearing school uniform for the photos. Thank you for your patience with the photos - we just want to ensure that you receive the best quality photos.



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### School Uniform reminder

We are needing to remind a number of pupils about acceptable school uniform and PE kit at the moment. We would like to remind you of our uniform rules. We ask that you remind your children of these key rules.

Children are allowed to wear summer uniform now. This includes wearing shorts/ summer dresses. **Ties should continue to be worn by all pupils** (excluding summer dresses) until advised otherwise (this usually happens later in the summer term when the weather becomes warmer). We will send an app message / email when children can stop wearing ties.

PE kit should be **black shorts / jogging bottoms and a logo or plain white t-shirt**. Children can also wear a **plain black** hooded top or sweater or a school logo fleece (black or dark green). PE should be plain and not include large logos.

Please can parents ensure that the only jewellery worn is a watch (not a smart watch), small stud earrings and jewellery for religious reasons. Other bracelets, necklaces, dangly earrings etc **should not be worn** due to safety reasons.

Thank you for your support with this.

### Father's Day messages 2023

Following their successful Mother's Day campaign in March, the **Norwich Evening News** will be celebrating Father's Day again by publishing a special supplement full of children's messages. This unique feature will offer pupils the opportunity to use their creative writing skills to compose a short message to their Dad, Guardian, Grandpa, etc. which will then be published in the **Norwich Evening News on Saturday 17 June 2023**. All messages will be published free of charge. This is a great activity for children of any age to be involved in and makes a great keepsake for parents.



If you would like your child to participate, please complete the [Google form](#). **Please note that messages must follow the format below:**

Surname, First name of message recipient – child's message (max 25 words) – who the message is from

e.g. Smith, Andrew – Daddy I love you. You are the greatest ever! Love from Samantha xx

If the parent / carer does not wish to have their name in the paper, you can simply write the message but leave the name off or simply put Daddy, Grandpa etc.

Children can submit more than one message if required. Siblings may submit their own message – simply complete more than one Google Form.

**Messages must be submitted by 3:15pm on Wednesday 24 May at the very latest. Messages received after this time will not be able to be included as the newspaper have a strict deadline for us to submit the messages.**

Any problems, please contact Mrs Seagrave [lseagrave9nrz@nsix.org.uk](mailto:lseagrave9nrz@nsix.org.uk) who is organising this.

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### Tag-rugby sessions with North Walsham Rugby Club – REMINDER OF DATES!

Once again this year, we are excited to welcome into school coaches from North Walsham Rugby Club through links with The Wensum Trust. The coaches will deliver two workshops for each year group over the summer term in addition to the children's usual PE and games slots.



Year 5 have now had their two sessions. Y4 have had one session and today's session has been rescheduled for Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May (so rugby and games that day!) The following are the dates for other year groups. Please make sure that the children come to school in their PE kits on these days:

**Year 3:** Monday 5 June and Monday 12 June

**Year 6:** Wednesday 28 June and Thursday 6 July

### Nut-free and fish-free lunches

A reminder to all families that we aim to be a nut free school. This is due to severe allergies of some children in our school. Please help us to keep them safe by refraining from including nut products in your child's lunchbox. This includes whole nuts, nuts in cereal bars, peanut butter and Nutella. We have noticed a few chocolate bars coming in to school which contain nuts (for example, Kinder Bueno bars). Please ensure that these are not in lunchboxes. There should also be **no fish** in packed lunches; this is due to severe allergies of children in our school. This includes, but is not limited to tuna, salmon, fish paste, fish pate, fish sticks and prawns. We do not serve fish as a hot dinner or jacket potato filling option. We ask that all parents follow this guidance, as food allergies can be very serious. Please remember that some allergies can be triggered simply by breathing in the allergen and does not need to be eaten to trigger a reaction.

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