



'Preparing children for a bright future in a changing world.'

Newsletter | 26th May 2023

Happy Half Term!

We cannot believe how quickly the first half of the Summer Term has flown by! We are immensely proud of all the children, their kindness, resilience and hard work – we are blown away by how much progress they have made in their learning!

It has been lovely to spend our final week of this half term learning all about Cyprus as part of our International week. We are sure the children will be able to share lots of interesting information, please do check the Tapestry posts to see more of what they have been learning.

We wish you all a lovely half term, we look forward to seeing all the children back at school on Monday 5th June ready for the second half of the Summer Term. We come back to Healthy Living Week where all the children will be learning about various ways in which we can maintain our healthy selves.

Please take time to read our regular newsletter as we use this to try to keep you abreast of all the different items taking place in school. Information is also available on our school website; please visit www.heatheravenue.co.uk, our Facebook page [Heather Avenue Infant School](https://www.facebook.com/HeatherAvenueInfantSchool) or follow us on twitter [@HeatherAvenue](https://twitter.com/HeatherAvenue).

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Dates for the Diary

Friday 26th May 2023: Last day of Summer Half Term

Monday 5th June 2023: Children return to school for second half of Summer Term

Monday 5th June 2023: Healthy Living Week

Week Beginning Monday 12th June 2023: Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Friday 21st July 2023: Last day of Summer Term

Nut Free School

Please remember we are a **Nut Free School**.

Nuts should not be included in any snacks or lunch boxes brought into school.

We must ensure the safety of all our pupils and ask for your support in this.

Summer Term Reminder

We hope the sun will be shining for much of this term so please do remember to send children to school with the following items;

- water bottle
- sun hat
- sun cream applied

A coat is also required due to the weather being quite changeable.

Mental Health Support Team

We have been working with Mental Health Support Team (MHST) and are able to offer a drop in session for parents/carers, this will be on Thursday 29th June from 2pm – 3pm. There will be members of the MHST there to support and signpost for any mental health worries that you may have. A MHST Verbal Consent form will need to be completed as part of this process.

Parking

We are very aware that parking can be an issue around our school, please can we remind all to park with consideration for the safety of the children and other road users.

This includes leaving space at junctions to ensure visibility and not parking on pavements intended for pedestrians and push chairs.

Thank you for your support in this matter

Key Stage 1 Sporting Stars Gold Award



We are so proud to have achieved the Norfolk PE, KS1 Sporting Stars Gold Award for this academic year. The award is a result of all the work we do in this area of the curriculum, from the quality of PE delivered in school to the wonderful sporting events that the children take part in as the year progresses!

Mrs Howes leads our Sports provision and has worked hard with all staff to ensure our provision is the best it can be. We see the children enjoying the various sports activities on offer and are incredibly proud of all their achievements.

Author Visit

On our return to school, Monday 5th June 2023, we have a visit from an author – Costas Andreou, who will be talking to the children about his book series – The Nose Family: <https://thenosefamily.com/>

He will be sharing some of his stories and illustrations with the children as well as talking about how his creations came to life.

Copies of his books will be available for purchase after school.

Dressing up Clothes

We have a few dressing up clothes which the children absolutely love to use at break and lunch times!

If you have any dressing up clothes that you would be happy to donate to school we would be really grateful for the donation and we know the children will love more options for their dressing up and role play!

Get Me Out The 4 Walls

Get Me Out The 4 Walls are now able to refer families experiencing financial difficulty to the following organisations:

Norwich Foodbank

Norwich Foodbank offers food packages to families who are experiencing temporary financial hardship and need supplies to feed their families while other support is being sought. A referral to other agencies/services will be made alongside the foodbank referral to put families in touch with services who can provide longer term support. There are also vouchers available for Gas/Electricity as well as free sim cards through Vodafone who can offer 6 months of free calls and data for those who are unable to afford mobile phone contracts or PAYG. All can be accessed by Norwich Foodbank.

Norwich BabyBank

Norwich BabyBank offers support to families who are expecting a new baby and who may be experiencing difficulties. Support is offered in the form of clothing, nappies, wipes, toiletries for Mum, changing mats etc as well as Moses Baskets and Baby Baths.

If any of families require referrals to these services, please contact carrie@getmeout.org.uk or visit the GMOTFW Hub.

