



Newsletter | 2nd February 2024

The first half of Spring Term is speeding by!

We can't believe how quickly the first month of 2024 has gone, we have been so busy in school, doing lots of learning through our topics.

Children in Reception are learning all about Dinosaurs – it has been wonderful to see their dinosaur egg investigations and dinosaur habitats. The children are really enjoying this topic and looking forward to visiting the Dinosaur Park later in the term.

Children in Years 1 and 2 are learning about Africa, starting off by learning about habitats closer to home and then comparing these to habitats in Africa, it has been really interesting with the children making their own class terrarium to observe as the term progresses.

We also see all the children making lots of progress in their phonics and reading and were delighted to share a phonics workshop for our Year 1 Parents / Carers last week – we really hope you enjoyed the sounds session along with all the phonic games.

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 2nd February: NSPCC Number Day – Letter sent

Tuesday 6th February: Safer Internet Day

Friday 9th February: FOHA Crazy Hair Day

W/B 12th February: Parent/carer consultation meetings

Friday 16th February: Last day of Spring 1

Monday 19th February – Friday 23rd February: Spring half term

Monday 26th February: First day of Spring 2

Thursday 29th February: FOHA Film Night

Friday 1st March: Caught Reading Winner announced

Wednesday 6th March: Dental Survey for 5 year olds

Wednesday 6th March: FOHA Mother's Day Shop

Thursday 7th March: World Book Day

Friday 8th March: Happy, Healthy, Active Day

Friday 8th March: FOHA Non-Uniform Day in exchange for Easter Raffle Gifts

Tuesday 12th March: Children's Book Centre Book Sale

Friday 15th March: Non-Uniform Day for Comic Relief

Wednesday 27th March: FOHA Easter Raffle Draw

Wednesday 27th March: Last day of Spring 2

Thursday 28th March: INSET day 4 (Staff in school only)

Friday 29th March – Friday 12th April: Easter holidays

Monday 15th April: First day of Summer 1

Friday 24th May: Last day of Summer 1

Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May: Half term

Monday 3rd June: First day of Summer 2

Friday 19th July: Last day of Summer 2

Monday 22nd July: Summer holidays 2024

Caught Reading Challenge

Our 'Caught Reading Challenge' is still open, if you would like to send in a photo of your child reading in an unusual location please feel free to send it in to office@heatheravenue.norfolk.sch.uk
Please send entries by 26.02.24.

Our School Council will choose a winner from each year group to win a prize
Photos will also be added to our 'Caught Reading' display in the main corridor in school.

We love to see you all reading!

Attendance Matters

Please remember that children should be present in school each day unless they really are too ill to attend.

Please come and see us if you feel attendance is an issue so that we can work together to improve this.

Just One Norfolk

'Just One Norfolk' website offers a wide range of support including advice with your child's sleep, behaviour, eating, family budgets etc. There are also free parenting courses available to access.

<https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/>

You can refer yourself for support on the website, or please ask a member of school staff who will be able to direct you to the most appropriate person to help.

Breakfast Club and After School Club

Please remember . . . We have a great Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club provision available to all, these services can be used on a regular or adhoc basis

Open Monday – Friday during term time

Breakfast Club open 7.30am until start of school – cost £4.50

Includes selection of breakfast items toast, cereal, yogurt, fruit and drink

Afterschool Club open end of school until 5.30pm - cost £6.00

Includes snack (drink with sandwich/toast, biscuit and fruit)

Mon – Cooking, Tues – Arts and Crafts, Wed – Construction, Thurs - Games and Puzzles, Fri – Technology

Spaces for club can be booked via Scopav. via email or by calling the school office.

Children's Mental Health Week
5th February – 9th February



As Parents and Carers, you play an important role in your child's mental health. Children's Mental Health Week is organised by the Place2Be charity.

Please visit this [link](#) to find some free resources for families, parent and carers so you can take part at home.