



## Whole School Values

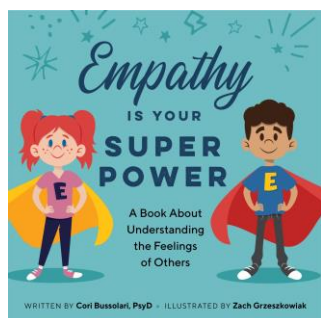
This half term we will be focusing on our school value of **Empathy. Thinking of how we can help others.**



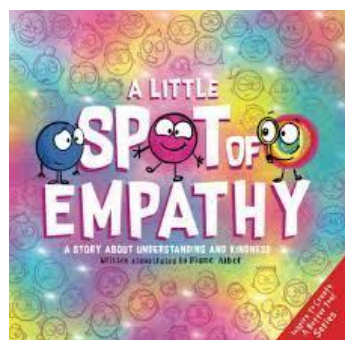
Empathy: I can understand and share feelings and thoughts of others.

Being empathetic is important because it helps us make friends and keep friends by being part of a team or community and understand more about my own and others feelings, thoughts and actions. It helps us get along with other people.

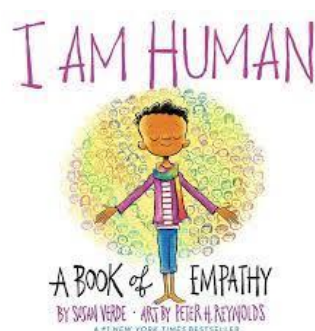
### Stories to share about EMPATHY



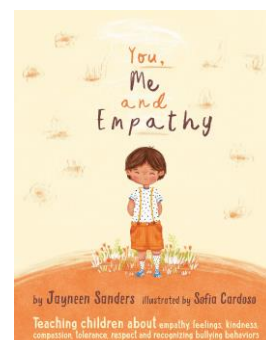
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### Other videos and songs about Empathy



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Empathy Song

Song by Mosaic Project



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lsn4HzlkMe>

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To promote empathy and caring for others we will take part in some events linked with familiar charities. We know that our empathy term and the number of charity events this time of year is tricky during these current times and we, as a school, are very aware of this. The main thing we want to share with the children is caring and getting involved in helping and supporting others is the most important thing not the money. For this reason, for all the below charity events we ask parents for just a donation if possible and there is no pressure for this.

**Poppy appeal- Friday 10th November** we will take part in poppy related activities in class to help find our own peace and find out a little bit more about the British Legion, the poppy appeal and why we wear poppies. Poppies will be available to purchase (Monday 6th- 10th November). Please send any donations with your child in a named envelope.



**Odd sock day- Monday 13th November Anti Bullying week (no donation needed for this)**

We are inviting all children to wear ODD SOCKS to celebrate and raise awareness for Anti Bullying week. In assembly we will talk about anti bullying week and find out more with Andy and the Odd Socks band.



**Homeless Socks Appeal-** Thankyou to all your wonderful donations for Harvest Festival for the food bank. From this success we will be sharing more information soon about another way we can support our community.

**Children in Need- Friday 17th November** - We are inviting children to come in non school uniform in spots and Get Dotty to raise awareness and celebrate children in need. We will take part in children in need activities and they will find out more about Pudsey bear. We are hoping to create a 'penny trail' on this day so the children can bring in a donation in loose change and we will create a giant Pudsey picture.



**Christmas Jumper Day Thursday 7th December** - We will be inviting all children to wear their favourite festive knits with school trousers and skirts and bring in a small donation for the Save the Children Charity.

**Christmas Performances** -We are aware that parents booking multiple days off work at this busy time of year is not easy so the date below will include two tickets of that year group's performance. We want this to be enjoyable for the children but not take over the important learning so their 'performance' will be a short sharing of their learning linked to their topics with plenty of festive cheer. There will be one performance in the morning and one in the afternoon. Please be aware we will allocate two seats per child and you will need to select either the morning or afternoon performance. Booking information will be sent out from the school office nearer the time.

**Polite reminder: Please could parents who use the Nursery and Reception gate please make sure this is shut safely behind you especially in the mornings and at pick up times.**



### Autumn 2 Learning Themes

#### Little Swallowtails Nursery



This half term as our children continue to learn through seasons about 'what is outside our window' we will be finding out more about pumpkins, bonfire night (we will be making chocolate sparklers), owls, leaves and winter. We will also celebrate world nursery rhyme week with a visit from Hellesdon library for our very own bounce and rhyme session.

### Reception: Salhouse and Filby: Why do we go up the city?



In this topic, the children will be learning about different transport they might see in the city. They will learn about the city of Norwich including spotting famous landmarks in photographs and maps. We will be visiting the Norwich Playhouse to see the Gruffalo's Child on a coach while we try to spot some famous sights.

### Year One: Ranworth and Wroxham: Monarchs and Castles



In this topic the children will be finding out about Norwich castle and our monarchy, reflecting on the jubilee from last year, the reign and passing of Queen Elizabeth II and the introduction of the new King: Charles III. This will include a trip to Norwich castle and visiting a bookshop to enjoy stories about knights, castles and dragons linked to our topic. They will find out more about the Bayeux Tapestry which shows the events of the Battle of Hastings. We will create our own panel each using textiles and collage and sew these together to make our own Bayeux Tapestry.






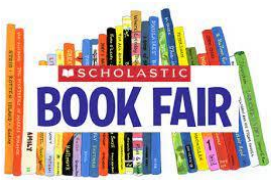



## Year 2: Barton and Hickling: Where is Let's Be Avenue?



In this topic the children will be exploring the history of Norwich through famous figures and landmarks. We will find more about Norwich Cathedral, Carrow Road Football Stadium and recapping what they learnt from seeing Norwich Castle in Year1 in history, building on their learning of the history of bikes from Year 1. We will receive a visit from Edith Cavell to find out more about her life.

If you think you or a member of your family or a friend could offer any exciting experiences or information that link to any of our classes themes we would love to hear from you. Please contact the school office as we are always keen to make, maintain and strengthen links with our families and community. With all children, getting interested in their learning at home always help them connect their learning. You could talk to them about what they have been learning about, go on days out that may link or visit our local library at Hellesdon for books to share about their topic or anything!

### Upcoming Events this half term. More information to follow

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| <p><b><u>Parents Evening</u></b><br/>Tuesday 7th 3:30-6:00<br/>Thursday 9th 4:30- 7:00</p> | <p><b><u>Anti Bullying Week Odd Socks Day</u></b><br/><b><u>Monday 13th November</u></b></p> <p>Please come to school in odd socks. No donation is needed for this.</p>            | <p><b><u>Children in Need Friday 17th November</u></b></p> <p>Come to school in non uniform (spotty and Pudsey if you wish).<br/>For any donations you wish to make please bring in loose change to add to the penny trail.</p> | <p><b><u>Scholastic Book Fair</u></b><br/><br/>Thursday 30th November-<br/>Thursday 7th December</p> |
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| <p><b>Christmas Jumper Day</b><br/><br/>Thursday 7th December</p>                          | <p><b>Christmas Performance of Learning</b><br/><br/><b>A morning and afternoon performance</b><br/><br/>Reception: Tuesday 12th December<br/>Year 1: Wednesday 13th December,</p> | <p><b>Class Christmas Lunch and Parties</b><br/><br/><b><u>Wednesday 20th December</u></b><br/><br/>Children can wear their Christmas party clothes but</p>   |  |

| November 2023 |    |    |    |    |    |    | December 2023 |    |    |    |    |    |    | January 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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**We return to school on Thursday 4th January**

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