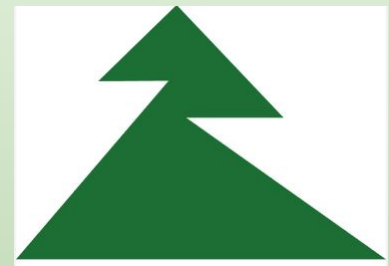


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Firside Newsletter

Wednesday 20 December 2023



Head Teacher's message



And so we have made it to the end of term! Just a short newsletter today as we sent out our fortnightly newsletter last Friday. We would like to thank everyone who came to our festive productions put on by each year group this week. It was lovely to see the hall jam-packed for every performance. We are so incredibly proud of the children for their performances. Every child who took part, whether it be singing, dancing, acting, narrating or supporting with lights and music or backstage - it was brilliant to see them shining in a different way. We would also like to thank the staff for their hard work in pulling the plays together as they are a huge undertaking and we are so grateful that we have such an incredible team at Firside.

Thank you also to everyone who donated bags of sugar for the Buckingham Sugar Appeal. They have been collected and will be taken to support vulnerable people in shelters around Norfolk. We estimate that we collected around 200 bags in the end which is incredible.

We look forward to seeing all of the children on the first day of term on Thursday 4 January. ***Please note that there will be no games or PE on the first two days so all children should be in uniform on the first two days back. PE, Games and swimming will resume on Monday 8 January.***

All that is left to say is to wish all the children and their families a Merry Christmas and a healthy and happy new year.
Kindest regards,

Mrs Robinson (Head Teacher), Mr Keer (Deputy Head Teacher) and Mrs Seagrave (Senior Teacher)

Contact over the holidays

If you need to contact us regarding general school information, please refer to our website in the first instance here: <https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/firsidejunior>

Should you have an emergency, or are a family in crisis, please email Mrs Robinson: rrobinson9nr7@nsix.org.uk and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

Please note, all non-urgent and general emails will be dealt with when the school reopens on Thursday 4 January.

If you do need any additional support whilst school is closed, please find below the following links which may be of help.

[School Admissions](#)

[Just One Norfolk - Health Advice and Support for Children and Young People](#)

[NSPCC](#)

[The Trussell Trust Foodbanks](#)

[Norfolk Police](#)

[Young Minds - Mental Health Charity for Children and Young People](#)

Diary dates for the rest of the school year

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Key: - Schools open to pupils - bank holiday
 - pupil holiday - Inset Day



Fish and nut free

A reminder to all families that we aim to be a fish and nut free school. This is due to severe allergies in some children in our school. Please help us to keep them safe by refraining from including fish or nut products in your child's lunchbox. Nut products might include: whole nuts, nuts in cereal bars, peanut butter and Nutella. Fish products might include, but is not limited to: tuna, salmon, fish paste, 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. Thank you.

