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18th July 2025

Goodbye and Good Luck to Mrs Kerkham and Miss Nixon

We are sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Kerkham on the 22nd July as she will be taking well-earned retirement! Thank you so much for all your hard work over many years with so many of our children and families. We will miss you Mrs Kerkham. Good luck to Miss Nixon who is leaving us to start her maternity leave from the 1st September. We wish you all the very best for the future and look forward to welcoming your new arrival soon 😊.

Mrs Stroulger's days in school and Senior Leadership Team days

From September, I will be working the opposite days in the 2 schools! I will be at BMPS every Monday and Tuesday, with alternate Wednesdays, and then Thursdays and Fridays at WPNS. Mrs Taylor as Deputy, will be available on a Monday and Tuesday (and on the gate). Mrs Beck will move her day to a Thursday (at BMPS). As always, senior staff will be on the gate daily so please do ask us anything or call the school office – We are all here to help 😊.

Summer Reading Challenge - Norfolk Libraries

Join the free Summer Reading Challenge!

Children can grow their imaginations with this year's Summer Reading Challenge: Story Garden - Adventures in Nature and the Great Outdoors. This year's theme will inspire children to tap into a world of imagination through reading, exploring the magical connection between storytelling and nature. Visit your local library to sign up and receive a special sticker booklet and collect rewards for reading

Wishing you all a great summer holidays - See you on the 3rd September (Years 1-6)

From all the pupils, staff, families and governors, can we take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy summer holiday! Thank you for your continued support of the school in the many different events throughout the school year.

We look forward to welcoming Years 1-6 back on the 3rd September (new Year R have their home visits then, see below) with our new Year R starting school on the 8th September, in small groups, see below. Year 1 children in the Year R/1 class will be taught by Mrs Chesterman for those first three days as Miss Gates will be home visiting the new Year R.

Year R September start - Home visits 3rd-5th September

During this time Reception children will not be in school to allow staff to go on home visits. Details of home visit timings have been shared with parents. Reception will begin school with their staggered start on the 8th September. The children will transition gradually into school in the following groups. Each day the new group will join the group from the day/s before.

8th – 10th September: Year R children to start to come to school in groups which have been shared with the transition information. Children on these days will do mornings only: 8.45am – 1pm staying for lunch and then going home at 1pm

8th September - Group 1

9th September - Group 1 and 2

10th September - Group 1, 2 and 3

11th September - All children full time staying until end of the day 3.05pm. Have a fabulous summer! 😊

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New Catering Provider – Aspens

We are pleased to announce that Aspens will be taking over the school meal provision from September 2025. Aspens offer a rolling 3-week menu that changes twice a year, with a main and vegetarian option. They also offer jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings and pasta with homemade tomato sauce and cheese daily. This will be at a similar cost to our current provider of £2.58 per paid meal. See new menus below.

PE teaching from 1st September 2025

We are delighted to say that we are able to extend Mrs Morrell's teaching to ALL day on a Tuesday now. She will be teaching all of KS2, which is great. She will also be leading PE with Mrs Chesterman and Mrs Beck, so we can continue to prepare for Cluster events as well as other North Norfolk sporting opportunities. Great that we can extend this expertise from the PE teaching at Burnham Market Primary School to WPNS 😊.

Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

We look forward to welcoming in our Year 6 families into school in the 22nd July, 2pm, for our special assembly led by our fabulous Year 6 children! We are so proud of all that they have achieved throughout their learning journey with us and we know that they will continue to flourish at high school.

New Wraparound Provision Launch September 2025

We are extremely pleased to announce the launch of our new Wraparound provision (Breakfast and Afterschool Club) at Wells Primary and Nursery School from the 8th September 2025.

We are delighted to have appointed two current staff members and one former staff member to run our Wraparound provision.

Miss Gemma Baker, who is currently an MSA, will be leading the provision and working in both Breakfast and Afterschool club from September.

Miss Baker will be joined by Mrs Brittany Walter for Breakfast Club, so children will have two familiar faces to welcome them into school at the start of the day.

Joining Miss Baker for the Afterschool club, we are very excited to be welcoming Mrs Amanda Beadle back to our team. She has previously worked as an Education and Pastoral Assistant at Wells and will be well known to lots of families and pupils. Welcome back Mrs Beadle!

Fees

Please see below session structure. Please note, these costs are for pupils in Reception up to Year 6. If you have a pupil at our Nursery and would like to discuss Wraparound options, please contact the office team.

- Session Structure:

	Time	Cost	Food
Breakfast Club	8.00 – start of school day	£3.50	Breakfast provided, choice of cereal, toast, fruit, etc.
Afterschool Club - Short	3:15-4:15pm	£4.50	Drink and snack only
Afterschool Club - Medium	3:15-5:00pm	£10.00	Drink and snack, plus hot dinner.
Afterschool Club - Long	3:15-6:00pm	£13.00	Drink and snack, plus hot dinner.

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PFA News

Carnival Week Events

Saturday 2nd August is Bingo Day! Children’s Bingo opens at 1.30pm with eyes down at 2pm, and Adult’s Bingo opens at 5.30pm with eyes down at 6pm. As always, we have a fantastic selection of prizes to be won.

Monday 4th August we will be running our ever-popular Candy Floss and Popcorn stall for the Film Night, make sure to visit us for some sweet treats!

Playground Markings

The paint has been ordered and we are looking forward to updating our playground marking soon.

Year 6 Leavers Party Friday 18th July - Arrival 5.30pm.

We are looking forward to inviting our Year 6 children to a lovely evening celebrating all their hard work. Thank you so much to the wonderful Mariusz from Mario’s Kitchen Catering for once again doing the food for this event, we really appreciate your ongoing support.

We would like to thank all the local businesses for their amazing support and generosity, we couldn’t do it without you!

Values Awards

Reception	Team Year R for your brilliant attitude towards this year and aspiring to be the best you can be. Well done, we are all so proud of you!
Year 1	Kacey you have been aspiring to do your best, especially with your writing, reading and maths! You are ready for Year 2!
Year 2	Maci for always aspiring and wanting to do your best in all of your work
Year 3	Oscar for always having high aspirations of yourself and working hard to improve your work.
Year 4	Finley as you made such a good job of your first rugby referee job! Well done!
Year 5	Harley you have aspired to be a wonderful writer this week with your coloured pens.
Year 6	Team Year 6 for showing superb teamwork, aspiration and support of each other during our high ropes visit on Wednesday. We were so impressed that everybody took a part. Well done to you all.

Good Work Awards

Reception	Team Year R for your brilliant hard work for our celebration this week. You were all fantastic well done!
Year 1	Amber-May as you have been greeting me every morning with a smiley face and trying hard in your Phonics and English recently. You have produced a wonderful diary entry with great focus on your handwriting!
Year 2	Cassielle for excellent work in Geography! You could talk about lots of different features of the coast and you learnt the song naming the seas around the UK.

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Year 3	Team Year 3 for being fabulous on the trip to Holkham. Well done to you all
Year 4	Team Year 4 for being so incredibly sensible during our lockdown practice. Well done!
Year 5	Eva as you have worked incredibly hard on your reading this year. Mrs Chesterman and I are so so proud of you.
Year 6	Team Year 6 for working so hard throughout the year, especially in the lead up to SATs. Whatever your results were, remember that you did your best and that you are so much more than a score!

Term dates for 2024-2025 <https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/wells-next-the-sea/parents-and-carers/term-dates>

18th July Year 6 Leavers Party

22nd July - Last day of Summer Term

22nd July – Year 6 Leaver’s Assembly 2pm

Our School Designated Safeguarding Leads are Mrs Stroulger, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Beck and Mrs Kerkham.

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Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are changing!



With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued **after 19th August 2024**.

Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines are issued to each parent, for each child that was absent. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

National Threshold

There will be a single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered by all schools in England of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period. These sessions do not have to be consecutive and can be made up of a combination of any type of unauthorised absence. The 10-school week period can span different terms or school years.

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:

- £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.
- Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Second Offence (within 3 years)

- The Second time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:
- £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

- The third time an offence is committed a Penalty Notice will not be issued and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrate's Court. Prosecution can result in criminal records and fines of up to £2,500.
- Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.

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LUNCHTIME

FOOD FESTIVAL
By Aspens

WEEK 1
Autumn Winter 2025/26
01/09/25, 22/09/25, 13/10/25, 3/11/25

THE MAIN EVENT

MEAT-FREE MAGIC
Veggie Dish

RAINBOW ALLEY
Vegetables and Salads

BIG TOPPING
Filled Jackets

DESSERT TROLLEY

What impact has your meal had on planet Earth today?

A Very Low
B Low
C Medium
D High
E Very High

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
PRIMARY TRADITIONAL	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Slice with Wedges B	Meatball Marinara Pasta B	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Skin on Roasties and Gravy C	Bangers, Mash and Gravy B	Golden Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers and Chips B
MEAT-FREE MAGIC	Baked Sweetcorn Fritters with Wedges A	Cheesy Pea Frittata with Pasta Salad B	Roasted Vegetable Strudel, Skin on Roasties and Gravy B	Veggie Bangers, Mash and Gravy A	Cheesy Bean Wrap with Chips B
RAINBOW ALLEY	Vegetable Sticks	Mixed Salad	Carrots and Cabbage	Mixed Greens	Peas
BIG TOPPING	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B
DESSERT TROLLEY	Butterfly Pastry Biscuits B	Strawberry and Pineapple Jelly B	Banana Bread and Custard B	Apple Cinnamon Buns B	Lemon Drizzle Cake B
AVAILABLE DAILY	DAILY SALAD BOWL, FRESHLY BAKED BREAD, YOGHURTS AND CUT FRUIT			PASTA TWIRLER AVAILABLE EVERY DAY	TOPPED PASTA HOT PASTA TOPPED WITH HOMEMADE TOMATO SAUCE & CHEESE C

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FOOD FESTIVAL
 By Aspens

WEEK 2
 Autumn Winter 2025/26
 08/09/25, 29/09/25, 20/10/25

LUNCHTIME

PRIMARY TRADITIONAL



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
THE MAIN EVENT	Vegetable Lasagne B	Creamy Chicken & Sweetcorn Pasta C	Roast Gammon, Skin on Roasties and Gravy C	Mild Chilli Con Carne with Rice	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips B
MEAT-FREE MAGIC Veggie Dish	Green Veg & Butter Bean Pie with Wedges B	Veggie Whole Grain Pasta Bolognese B	Cheddar & Broccoli Crustless Quiche B	Vegetable Bean Chilli with Rice B	BBQ Veggie Wrap with Chips B
RAINBOW ALLEY Vegetables and Salads	Sweetcorn	Broccoli	Carrots and Peas	Mixed Greens	Baked Beans
BIG TOPPING Filled Jackets	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B
DESSERT TROLLEY	Chocolate Popcorn Bars B	Orange and Peach Jelly C	Apple Tea Cake and Custard B	Iced Vanilla Sponge Cake B	Carrot Cake B

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 D High
 E Very High

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FOOD FESTIVAL
 97 Aspens

WEEK 3
 Autumn Winter 2025/26
 15/09/25, 06/10/25, 27/10/25

LUNCHTIME

PRIMARY TRADITIONAL

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
THE MAIN EVENT	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Slice with Wedges B	Lasagne C	Roast Pork, Skin on Roasties and Gravy C	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie with Mash B	Golden Fish Fingers & Chips B
MEAT-FREE MAGIC <small>Veggie Dish</small>	Macaroni Cheese C	Vegetable Ratatouille with Rice B	Carrot & Stuffing Puff Pastry Plait, Skin on Roasties with Gravy B	Root Vegetable and Bean Stew with Mash A	Vegetable Fingers with Chips A
RAINBOW ALLEY <small>Vegetables and Salads</small>	Vegetable Sticks	Sweetcorn	Roasted Roots	Peas	Baked Beans
BIG TOPPING <small>Filled Jackets</small>	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo B
DESSERT TROLLEY	Sweet Potato Chocolate Brownie C	Jelly C	Eve's Apple Pudding & Custard B	Muesli Bars B	Vanilla Cookies B

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Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High

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