

JANUARY NEWSLETTER

We hope you all had a good Christmas break and wish you a happy and healthy New Year. Thank you from all of us for your good wishes, cards and presents which are very much appreciated.

NEW BABY



We are pleased to share the news that Rosie had a beautiful baby girl named Josie weighing 7lb 15oz. Mother and baby are both doing well!

EMERGENCY CLOSURE SYSTEM

Although we have been lucky so far with the weather this winter, we never know what is round the corner so here is a reminder of our emergency closure system:



If the school has to close due to bad weather we will do our best to send you all a text message as soon as possible. It will also always be announced on the local radio and on the school closures website: (www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk)

SAFEGUARDING AND CHILD PROTECTION



Because of our day-to day contact with the children we are particularly well placed to observe outward signs of abuse, changes in behaviour or failure to develop. We have a duty to protect children from abuse; however, our role is in recognition and referral, not investigation or intervention. We are required by law to follow procedures laid down by the Norfolk Safeguarding Children Partnership if we see signs which suggest that one of our pupils may have been the victim of abuse. Use of the procedures in this way is an obligation placed on the school by legislation and in no way infers that any parent/ carer is being accused of wrong-doing.

Garrick Green is registered with Operation Encompass. This means that Norfolk Police will contact the school concerning any domestic incidents which involve the families of our children the day after the incident occurred.

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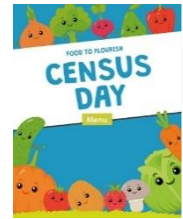
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CENSUS DAY MENU CHANGE

There will be a school census on **Thursday 15th January**.

On this day we need as many children as possible to have a lunch provided by school. For this reason we will be swapping the Thursday and Friday menu that week.



Thursday's hot dinner option will be fish fingers and chips or BBQ veggie wrap and chips.

Friday's hot dinner option will be homemade sausage roll or veggie sausage roll and potato wedges.

Jacket potato, Tomato pasta and sandwich options will remain the same.

ABSENCE REQUEST FORM



There is a new Google Form to request absence on the website. You can find it in The Parents and Carers section under the Attendance heading. Please click on the link and it will submit your request directly to the office.

<https://www.wensumtrust.org.uk/garrickgreen/parents-and-carers/attendance>

ASPENS CATERING SHOWCASE TO PARENTS

Our Catering providers, Aspens, would like to invite parents into school for a session to introduce themselves and give parents the opportunity to try the new menu.

This event is on Tuesday 13th January at 2.30pm in the school hall. You will then be able to collect your children at 3pm and take them into the hall to try some of the new menu too. More information is in the attached flier.



PARKING



May I kindly remind parents and carers to park considerately during drop-off and pick-up times. Please be mindful that local residents need to be able to leave and return to their homes freely, so we ask that driveways and gardens are not parked on or blocked. Thank you very much for your cooperation and understanding.

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DIARY DATES UNTIL END OF SPRING TERM

JANUARY			
6th	Start of Term	All	
12th	Vet visiting school	All	
13th	Aspens Parents Intro Session	All	2.30pm
29th	Vision/Hearing Screening	Reception Children	
FEBRUARY			
3rd	Miss Emerick Assembly	Year 2	2.15pm
13th	Break up for Half Term	All	3.00pm
23rd	School Starts	All	8.30am
24th	NWRC Lime Class (part of their weekly PE)	Lime Class	
MARCH			
2nd	Parent Teacher Interviews	All	3.15pm
5th	World Book Day	All	
10th	Parent Teacher Interviews	All	3.15pm
12th	Year 2 to OCJS for an Easter Craft Activity	Y2	1.15pm
24th	Open Afternoon	All	2.30pm
25th	Year 2 Multiskills Trip	Y2	
25th	Jade Class Story Cafe	Jade Class	8.45am
27th	Break up for Easter Holiday	All	3.00pm

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