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16th January 2026

Henry Blogg Museum Afternoon for Sea Lavenders

Sea Lavender class enjoyed a very informative and fun afternoon with the staff from Cromer's Henry Blogg Museum on Thursday. We took part in a variety of fun activities that helped us to learn more about lifeboats, Henry Blogg and his dog Monty. A big thank you to the museum team, we had a great afternoon!

New Year Housekeeping

As we start a new year we'd like to remind you of some our school requirements please:

- 1) Remember to let the school office know by 9.30am if your child will not be in school that day, either by phone or a Class Dojo message. Please do not message just your teacher or EPA as they do not always see messages as they are very busy teaching.
- 2) The school day starts at 8.45, with children being able to come in from 8.30am. Please ensure that children are in school by 8.45am as being late really impacts the first lesson of the day, phonics and spelling.
- 3) The staff car park is only for staff, it is not to be used by families due to health and safety considerations. If there are specific reasons that you need to use the car park due to health needs, please do speak to the office directly or an senior member of staff on the gate.

Many thanks for your help with all of these going forward.

New staff – welcome

We are delighted to welcome Miss Georgia Kendall who is an EPA supporting in our Nursery provision from 12noon until 3pm and to Mrs Reed, who is an EPA supporting in Marshmallows for the day. We are delighted to welcome these 2 new members of staff to our great team this year 😊.

Parent Governor Election

Earlier this week the information on how to apply for the vacant position of parent governor was shared on Class Dojo. Anyone wishing to apply should submit their application to the school office by the 28th January.

PFA News

We are looking forward to a busy year ahead of events, starting with the Valentines Disco and Easter Bingo, dates to be confirmed.

We are delighted to see our Year 6 children looking very smart and warm wearing their Leavers hoodies which we have sponsored for each child.

Values Awards

Good Work Awards

Seashells	Charley	Seashells	Keanu-James
Sea Lavender	Callie	Sea Lavender	Logan
Oysters	Alfie L	Oysters	Matilda
Marsh Mallow	Harley	Marsh Mallow	Rory

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Samphire	Alice	Samphire	Pavlo
Barnacles		Barnacles	

Term Dates for 2025-2026

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

- 19th January Cluster High-5 Netball Event
- 2nd February Cluster Girls Football Event
- 13th February Last Day of Spring 1 Term
- 23rd February First Day of Spring 2 Term
- 9th March Cluster Swimming Gala
- 27th March Last Day of Spring 2 Term
- 14th April First Day of Summer 1 Term
- 28th April - Sea Lavenders Class Assembly 9am
- 4th May Bank Holiday Monday-School Closed
- 18th May Cluster Tri-Golf Event
- 19th May Oysters Class Assembly 9am
- 22nd May Last Day of Summer 1 Term
- 1st June First Day of Summer 2 Term
- 2nd June - SeaShells Class Assembly 9am
- 8th June Cluster Mini Tennis Event
- 16th June - Marsh Mallows Class Assembly 9am
- 22nd June Cluster Kwik Cricket Event
- 30th June - Samphire Class Assembly 9am
- 6th July Cluster Volleyball Event
- 14th July - Barnacles (Leavers) Class Assembly 9am
- 17th July Last Day of Summer 2 Term

Our School Designated Safeguarding Leads are Mrs Stroulger, Mrs Taylor & Mrs Beck

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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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