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Ofsted

It seems quite some time since we had our OFSTED inspection but finally, we are able to share the report card with you. We are sure you will be as pleased as we are with the findings. We have sent the report and a covering letter separately on a Class Dojo post. Thank you for your continued support of this school, as so positively highlighted by the inspectors.

SEND Film stars!

The school was recently chosen by Norfolk County Council to film a piece about inclusion in mainstream schools. This is their take on our school.

Every child belongs.

At Wells Primary School, inclusion is everyone's responsibility. Staff work as one team to support all children in their local community, whatever their needs.

From emotional support in the Acorns nurture group, to flexible learning in Ebb and Flow class, and tailored provision for children with complex needs in Starfish class, every child gets the help they need to flourish.

We recently spent some time at the school with SENDCO and senior teacher Emma Beck. Emma is the SENDCO for both Wells and Burnham Market primary schools.

We will be sharing the link to this video on a separate Class dojo post.

Classes for September

As we start now to think about September and our new children joining us and our existing children in school, please see below the teaching staff and where they will be teaching in the new academic year. We will be welcoming 2 new teachers to the teaching team: Mr Odell will be teaching our Year 6 children and Mrs Ward will be teaching our Year 3 children. We are delighted to be welcoming Miss Nixon back after her maternity leave this year and she will be joining Mrs Kirk again in the Nursery team. As we continue to have a smaller intake in Year R, we will be running our Seashells Class and Sea Lavender Class again with Year 1s in each class. Parents of new Year 1 children have been dojo'd separately so that they know which class they will be in from September. We are still positioning support staff, so we will update you with these when they are finalised.

Periwinkles class – Mrs Marijke Kirk and Miss Jade Nixon

Seashells class (reception and year one children) – Mrs Courtney Noakes and Mrs Tiffany Jones

Sea Lavender class (year one and year two children) – Miss Jenny Beard

Oysters class (year three children) – Mrs Laura Ward

Marsh Mallow class (year four children) – Mrs Abi Roy

Samphire class (year five children) – Mrs Sarah Henman and Mrs Helen Taylor

Barnacles class (year six children) – Mr Elliott Odell

Star Fish class – Mr Harry Grimsley

Ebb and Flow provision – Mrs Ali Chesterman

Dynamos Cricket Tournament

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On Tuesday, 8 of our Year 6 cricketers competed in the North Norfolk School Sports Partnership Dynamos Tournament at Bradfield Cricket Club, competing against 6 other schools. For most, this was their first competitive game of cricket and I am proud to say all of the children played brilliantly and demonstrated excellent teamwork throughout the competition. They took some fantastic wickets, scored some excellent runs, and represented the school with great enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Well done to everyone involved! We finished in 6th place, however showed great improvement as the day progressed, winning our last game in style! We are now looking forward to the cluster cricket

tournament later this month!

Reception September 2026 New Parents Information Evening - Tuesday 16th June

We are delighted to invite the new reception cohort parents/carers for September 2026 to our information evening on Tuesday 16th June. The session will begin in the school hall at 4pm for the informative talk with the school team, followed by the opportunity to visit the classroom and outside learning space. This is a parent/carer only informative session to receive lots of important information regarding their child's journey to starting school. We look forward to seeing parents/carers then.

PFA News

Tea Towel Update

Please make sure that all orders for tea towels are placed by end-of-day Wednesday 17th June, we will not be able to take any orders after this date.

Leavers Party - CHANGE OF DATE The new date for our Leavers Party is **THURSDAY 9TH JULY**, apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Values Awards

Good Work Awards

Seashells	Alphie	Seashells	Teddy
Sea Lavender	Esther	Sea Lavender	Lockie
Oysters	Ruby	Oysters	Gabriella
Marsh Mallow	Alex	Marsh Mallow	Anya
Samphire	Addie	Samphire	Amanda
Barnacles	Matthew	Barnacles	Harley

Term Dates for

2025-2026

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

16th June - Marsh Mallows Class Assembly 9am

22nd June Cluster Kwik Cricket Event

23rd June Sports Day

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29th June Cluster Mini Tennis
30th June Sports Day Back Up date
30th June - Samphire Class Assembly 9am
6th July Cluster Volleyball Event
9th July-Year 6 Leavers Party
14th July - Barnacles (Leavers) Class Assembly 9am
17th July Last Day of Summer 2 Term

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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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