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11th October 2024

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Message from Mr. McConnell

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at parents' evening next week. We try to get this first parents' evening of the year arranged for mid-October so that we're not too early (and haven't had a chance to let the children settle), and not too late (it's still early enough to sort out any little problems before they turn into big problems). Mostly, it's a chance for you to talk to your child's new teacher about how they're getting on and how we can all work together to have a successful year.

See you there!

Golden Ticket Raffle Winners

Deer – Mustafa and Jack W; **Birch** – Toby;
Hazel – Amelie, Arthur and Daniel; **Elm** – Emmi, Abel and Reggie;
Maple – Stefan and Beth; **Mulberry** – Mia, Harrison and Declan;
Ash – Darcy.

School Lunches

As you will be aware, the kitchen is currently unable to prepare hot meals for school lunches whilst we await the repair of the extractor fan. This is likely to take place during half term because we have been informed that the required part could take 7-10 days to arrive. In the meantime the kitchen will continue to offer packed lunches and we will let you know as soon as normal service resumes!

The kitchen are able to provide a hot meal for Treehouse children because of the small numbers involved, but it will not be their usual menu.

Parking

- Unfortunately we are regularly receiving reports of inconsiderate parking around the School during pick drop off and pick up times.
- We were made aware on Monday that a local resident was verbally abused when they asked someone parked across the resident's driveway to move their car. South Norfolk Council advise is that such incidents are reported by those involved, or witnesses, to the police via 101.
- We would ask everyone to consider the residents living in the area by not parking over driveways or on corners of the road.

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Headteacher

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School Layby

- Not for general use as part of the school run.

We want to keep everyone as safe as possible during journeys to and from school and thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Nursery & School Photos - Tuesday 8th October

- If you did not receive a proof card from the photos taken on Tuesday please contact the school office.
 - Sibling photos will be taken on 19th November.
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Coats

The weather is getting colder and wetter as we head into autumn, please remember/remind your child/ren to bring their coats to school.

Can all clothing please be named so that we can return lost items in school. Thank you!

Reception Class Photos - Evening News Friday 18th October

Reception class photos will be in the First Class supplement of the Evening News on Friday 18th October.

Parent Evening Appointments

- **Years 1 to 6** appointments are on Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th October.
- **Reception** appointments are Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 23rd October.

Please contact the school office for assistance.

Booking will close at 9am on Monday 14th October.

Find out more about the Learning Disability Register

- Does your child get extra help at nursery, school or college as they find it hard to learn or do things for themselves at home? If so, they may be able to get extra health support from your GP practice, including an Annual Health Check from the age of 14 onwards.
- The Learning Disability Register leaflet from the NHS provides important information, guidance and support for parents and carers of children with learning disabilities, and explains the benefits of registering your child onto the Learning Disability Register.
- Some benefits of being listed on the Learning Disability Register include:
 - Free annual health check from the age of 14 upwards together with a Health Action Plan
 - Annual NHS flu vaccination
 - NHS COVID-19 vaccinations/boosters

- If you are their main carer, you should also be registered as a carer, in order to make sure that you can support them to attend appointments
- You would also be entitled to a free NHS carer's health check.

[Click here to access the leaflet in full.](#)

Mental Health Parent/Carer Workshop - 27th November at 9am

- We will be organising various parent/carers workshops over the coming weeks, one of which will be a Mental Health workshop for parents/carers on Wednesday 27th November at 9am.
- The workshop will be led by our NHS Mental Health Support Team and will cover the following themes:
 - Defining anxiety;
 - Why do we experience anxiety?;
 - Recognising signs and symptoms;
 - What can maintain anxiety;
 - How to respond and support your child;
 - Strategies to support anxiety;
 - The importance of self-care and managing your own anxiety;
 - Further resources.
- Details about how to sign up will be sent out nearer the time.

Ashleigh Friends

- The children's Christmas designs have been sent off and should be back with order proof cards soon! The children worked very hard on these and you'll be able to purchase their designs as cards and gifts for Christmas. More info to come.
- Thanks to everyone who has signed up for the Asda Cashpot scheme. So far, this has raised over £140 for the school! There's still time to join - it runs until 30th November 2024:
 - It's as easy as 1,2,3:
 1. Download the Asda Rewards app, register and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools (make sure you have the latest version of the app installed).
 2. Choose our Primary School - either searching by name or postcode.
 3. Shop instore across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com and start filling your Cashpot as you shop!
- A reminder that it doesn't affect your personal Cashpot earnings, so there's nothing to lose!
- Lastly, we have been working hard on The Uniform Shop, getting it ready for its upcoming opening. We are excited to have it all set up and ready for you to bag bargains on the school run! Watch this space!
- In the meantime, remember we're collecting Christmas jumpers and pyjamas to sell - these can go into the green preloved uniform wheelie bin next to the Year 1 classrooms.

PE Days

Year	Days
Reception	PE starts after Christmas
1	Tuesdays and Fridays
2	Fox: Wednesdays and Fridays Deer: Fridays (Forest School on Wednesdays)
3	Mondays and Thursdays
4	Mondays and Wednesdays
5	Tuesdays and Thursdays
6	Wednesday mornings

Free School Meals Information

The Free School Meal voucher scheme has been extended to October 2024 and the following payments will be made to eligible families:

Month	Amount Per Eligible Child*
October	£15

Please note that you have to apply separately for individual children, younger siblings do **not** qualify automatically.

To check if you are eligible for **free school meals** (Reception through to Year 6) please click [here](#).

Diary Dates **New or updated events**

2024-2025	
Fri 11 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none">3-5pm Year 6 Boys' Football v Colman Junior (Home)
Tues 15 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none">3:10-6:30pm School Parents' Evening
Wed 16 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none">3:10-6:30pm School Parents' Evening
Thurs 17 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none">3:10-6:30pm School Parents' Evening
Mon 21 st Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none">12:30-4:30pm Y3/4 Girls' Football (squad of 10), The Nest.3-5pm Year 6 Girls' Football v Hillside (Home)3-5pm Year 6 Boys' Football v Hillside (Home)
Tues 22 nd Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none">9-10am, WHA SENDCo meeting for Years 5 & 6 parents/carers (venue – Ashleigh)
Wed 23 rd Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Year 3 trip to GressenhallGroup of Y4-6 Cross-Country event3-5pm Year 5 Boys' Football v Firside (Away)
Thurs 24 th Oct	<ul style="list-style-type: none">3-5pm Y6 Girls' Football re Poringland (Home)School & Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for half term
Mon 4 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none">School & Nursery reopen after half term
Thurs 7 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reception to Year 6 Flu Vaccinations

Tues 12 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:15pm and 5:30pm Tours for Reception September 2025 Intake Parents/Carers
Mon 18 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reception and Year 6 NCMP Screening
Tues 19 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Sibling Photos
Wed 27 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9am Mental Health Parent/Carer Workshop (details to follow)
Fri 29 th Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a.m. Reception to Year 6 Flu Vaccinations ('mop-up' session)
Fri 20 th Dec	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School & Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Christmas holidays
Tues 7 th Jan 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School & Nursery reopen after Christmas holidays
Wed 8 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:15pm Tour for Reception September 2025 Intake Parents/Carers
Mon 20 th Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:30-4:30pm Y3/4 Girls' Football (squad of 10), The Nest.
Fri 14 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School & Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for half term
Mon 24 th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School & Nursery reopen after half term
Thurs 6 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Book Day
Fri 21 st Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comic Relief - Non-School Uniform Day
Fri 4 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School & Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Easter holidays
Wed 23 rd Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School & Nursery reopen after Easter holidays
Mon 28 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:30-4:30pm Y3/4 Girls' Football (squad of 10), The Nest.
Mon 5 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank Holiday - School & Nursery closed
Mon 12 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 SATs
Tues 13 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 SATs
Wed 14 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 SATs
Thurs 15 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 SATs
Thurs 22 nd May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reception Hearing & Vision Screening
Fri 23 rd May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School & Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for half term
Mon 2 nd Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School & Nursery reopen after half term Reception Hearing & Vision Screening
Tues 3 rd Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reception Hearing & Vision Screening
Tues 17 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NHS Dental check-ups Reception to Year 6
Fri 18 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> p.m. Year 6 Crucial Crew event
Tues 22 nd Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School & Nursery close at 3pm and 3:15pm for Summer holidays

Community Events

Steps Community Food Store: The Hub, Ayton Road, NR18 0QJ

- 9.15am-10.45am every Tuesday
- 2:00-4:00pm every Thursday

Girls' Rugby for Years 3, 5 and 5 at Wymondham Rugby Club

My teammates are like a second family

new friends
rugby

TRY RUGBY WITH US!

Come and join our team.
Girls only Rugby for Year 3, 4
and 5. Thursday 5 - 6pm @
Wymondham Rugby Club.

Scan this code for a FREE
Taster Session:

FORM RESPONSE QR CODE

Email:
schools@wymondhamrfc.com

Wymondham Heritage Museum – Half Term Activities



A Green Halloween – Thursday 31st October, 4:30-6:30pm at Wymondham Abbey

- Another nature-themed Halloween event for all ages in the Wymondham Abbey church and churchyard;
- Starts at 4.30 pm with a blessing of the churchyard;
- Craft activities inside the church;
- Bat, Moth and Bug-hunting with WyNG (Wymondham Nature Group);
- Homemade Pumpkin Soup to enjoy;
- Come in old clothes and bring a torch, waterproofs and wellies;
- Explore our amazing churchyard wildlife as darkness starts to fall...

To find out more, contact Hilary on 01953 605672

FREE event - no need to book – just come along and enjoy yourselves!

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Norfolk County Council 2025-2026

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