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20th March 2026

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John McConnell
Headteacher

Message from Mr. McConnell

Thanks to everyone who dressed in something red today, it was lovely to see so many getting involved to support a great cause. We'll let you know how much we raise!

Golden Ticket Raffle Winners

Deer – El-Roi;
Fox – Oliver;
Birch – Theo;
Hazel – Rocket;
Elm – Ivy R, Zack and Fabrice;
Maple – Ella, Bethan and Connie;
Mulberry – Sophie and Maddie;
Willow – Lacey;
Ash – Beth and Jack V.

Ashleigh Farm - Saturday 14th March

A massive thank you to everyone who came along and helped out at the Farm last Saturday, it was very much appreciated and we look forward to seeing the fruits of your labours over the next few months, and years!

Change to visit dates for Birch and Hazel classes

Just a reminder that Birch and Hazel class visits to Windmill House have swapped dates to:

- Hazel – Monday 23rd March
- Birch – Thursday 26th March

Reminder re Residential Deposit Payment Date

Current Year 4 – Thorpe Woodland residential in September 2026, and
Current Year 5 – Willersley Castle residential in November 2026

Just a reminder that the deposit payments to book a place are due by Friday 27th March.

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Parent/Carer After-School Appointments - Tuesday 21st to Thursday 23rd April

We will be offering parent/carers appointments after school on Tuesday 21st, Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd April. Booking links will be sent out next week.

Where possible, we ask that parents attend the same appointment for their child/ren.

If you are unable to make any of the available times please speak to your child's teacher or email the school office.

Workshops & Curriculum Café

PE Curriculum Café – Friday 27th March: 8:45-9:30am

Please come and find out more about our PE curriculum at our café on Friday 27th March. All parents/carers welcome! Access via the door between Year 2 classes on Sheffield Road.

School Site - 3pm

Please can we remind everyone to leave the school site promptly after collecting children.

Children attending Treehouse are unable to play outside until the school gates have been relocked.

School play equipment and outdoor areas are for use by children during school time, under staff supervision only.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Evening News School Tokens

The Norwich Evening News is launching a campaign that will give all schools the chance to win a share of £12,000 worth of books.

Tokens will be printed each day in the paper from 7th March to 16th May 2026, ready for pupils, parents and carers to cut out and bring into school.

We would be very grateful if any tokens could be handed in to the school office, or given to your child's class teacher to pass on. Thank you!

Ashleigh Friends

PE Curriculum Café

You can meet some of our fantastic PTA trustees and volunteers at the PE Curriculum Café taking place on Friday 27th March. We'll be looking

forward to meeting any members of the Ashleigh Community at school at 8:45-9:30am.

School Lottery Reminder

Don't forget you can support the school all year round by playing **Your School Lottery**. Every ticket helps provide regular funding for the school while giving players the chance to win weekly prizes

Easy Fundraising Reminder

Please remember to use **Easy Fundraising** whenever you shop online. Many retailers donate a percentage of your spend to the school at no extra cost to you - a simple way to support Ashleigh!

Community Matters – Please Keep Voting

A reminder that Ashleigh Friends are part of the Waitrose Wymondham Community Matters scheme this quarter. When you shop in store, you will receive a green token to vote for a local cause – please place yours in the Ashleigh Friends tube to help raise funds for the school. Voting runs until 31st March, all shoppers are encouraged to spread the word!

Thanks for the support!

Have a great weekend,
Ashleigh Friends – PTA

PE Days

Children should wear PE kit to school on their PE days. When children come to school in PE kit, PE shorts should be at least mid-thigh length please, with t-shirts (no crop tops).

Year	Days
Reception	Mondays – Squirrel Tuesdays – Hedgehog
1	Mondays and Thursdays
2	Wednesdays and Fridays
3	Mondays and Tuesdays
4	Tuesdays and Thursdays Tuesday – Elm class swimming a.m.
5	Tuesdays and Thursdays
6	Friday

After School Clubs

Day	Club	Years	Dates	Pick-Up Time
Monday	Creation Station	1-6	12 th Jan – 23 rd Mar	3:50pm
	Cheer Leading	1-3		4:00pm
Tuesday	Nerf Games	3-6	13 th Jan – 24 th Mar	4:00pm

Wednesday	Musical Theatre	1-6	14 th Jan – 25 th Mar	4:00pm
	Farm Club	5-6	25 th Feb – 18 th Mar	4:00pm
Thursday	Karate	1-6	15 th Jan – 19 th Mar	4:00pm
	Gymnastics	1-6	15 th Jan – 26 th Mar	
Friday	Dodgeball	3-6	16 th Jan – 27 th Mar	4:00pm
	Singing Club	3-6		3:45pm

Treehouse is open every day during term time.

Free School Meal - EdenRed Vouchers

The Free School Meal voucher scheme will **end on 31st March 2026**.

If you have any unspent vouchers please **redeem these within three months of issue.**

Free School Meals Information

To check if you are eligible for **free school meals**, please click [here](#).

Because of the Universal Credit changes coming into effect from September 2026, from what we understand from current government information:

- a) Current Free School Meal eligible parents/carer **will have to reapply to continue to receive Free School Meals/Pupil Premium;**
- b) All families that receive Universal Credit from September 2026 are eligible but **will have to apply to receive Free School Meals/Pupil Premium.**

When we know more, including how and when to apply, we will let families know.

Diary Dates

New/Updated events

2025-2026	
Mon 23 rd Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a.m. Hazel class visit to Windmill House – change of date 2:15-3:00pm Nursery Family Easter Crafts 3pm Year 5 Boys' Football v Horsford (Home)
Tues 24 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a.m. Elm class swimming
Wed 25 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:00-3:00pm Reception Family Easter Crafts
Thurs 26 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a.m. Birch class visit to Windmill House – change of date 2:00-3:00pm Reception Family Easter Crafts 2:15-3:00pm Nursery Family Easter Crafts
Fri 27 th Mar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4 trip to Norwich Castle 8:45-9:30am PE Curriculum Café for parents/carers 3pm School & 3:15pm Nursery close for Easter holiday

Tues 14 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:30am School & Nursery reopen • a.m. Elm class swimming
Thurs 16 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:00-3:00pm Parent/Carer Maths Skills Builder Workshop: Times Tables (information to follow)
Fri 17 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Photos
Tues 21 st Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:10am Year 6 Early Morning session (place needs to have been pre-booked) • a.m. Elm class swimming • a.m. Fox class visit to Windmill House • 3:00-6:00pm Parent/Carer Evening
Wed 22 nd Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3:00-6:00pm Parent/Carer Evening
Thurs 23 rd Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:10am Year 6 Early Morning session (place needs to have been pre-booked) • a.m. Deer class visit to Windmill House • 3:00-5:00pm Parent/Carer Evening • 3:00-7:00pm KS2 Choir, CASMA at St Peter Mancroft, Norwich
Mon 27 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception Hearing & Vision screening • a.m. Elm class to visit Wymondham Dementia Support Group
Tues 28 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:10am Year 6 Early Morning session (place needs to have been pre-booked) • Reception Hearing & Vision screening
Thurs 30 th Apr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:10am Year 6 Early Morning session (place needs to have been pre-booked) • Reception Hearing & Vision screening • 1:25-2:55pm Parent/Carer Online Safety Course Week 1 of 4 (information to follow)
Mon 4 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School & Nursery closed – Bank Holiday
Tues 5 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:10am Year 6 Early Morning session (place needs to have been pre-booked)
Thurs 7 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:10am Year 6 Early Morning session (place needs to have been pre-booked) • 1:25-2:55pm Parent/Carer Online Safety Course Week 2 of 4 (information to follow)
Mon 11 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 SATs
Tues 12 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 SATs • a.m. Reception: Furry Friends Petting Farm Visit
Wed 13 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 SATs
Thurs 14 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 SATs • 1:25-2:55pm Parent/Carer Online Safety Course Week 3 of 4 (information to follow)
Mon 18 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a.m. Year 6 trip
Thurs 21 st May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:25-2:55pm Parent/Carer Online Safety Course Week 4 of 4 (information to follow)
Fri 22 nd May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3pm School & 3:15pm Nursery close for half term
Mon 1 st Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:30am School & Nursery reopen
Tues 9 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 9:15-11:30am Years 3-6 ○ 11:45am-12:45pm Picnic Lunch ○ 1-2:30pm Reception, Years 1 & 2

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> House Colours Aquila (The Eagle) Delphinus (The Dolphin) Draco (The Dragon) Firebird (The Phoenix)
Thurs 11 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception trip to Pensthorpe • 1:00-3:00pm Parent/Carer Maths Skills Builder Workshop: Bar Modelling and Part-Part Whole (information to follow)
Tues 16 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception to Year 6 Dental Screening visits (information will follow nearer the time)
Thurs 18 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports Day – Reserve date
Fri 19 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 3 trip to Sandringham
Tues 23 rd Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 transition day at Wymondham High
Wed 24 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 transition day at Wymondham High • KS1 Choir to perform at the Royal Norfolk Show
Thurs 25 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transition 'move-up' morning (changed from 24th June) • Year 6 transition day at Wymondham High
Mon 29 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 transition day at Hethersett Academy
Tues 30 th Jun	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 transition day at Hethersett Academy
Wed 1 st Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 transition day at Hethersett Academy
Sat 4 th & Sun 5 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10:00am-2:00pm Ashleigh Art Show (details to follow)
Mon 6 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 transition day at Wymondham College
Tues 7 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 6 transition day at Wymondham College
Wed 8 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00am Year 6 Leavers' Performance (filming, no audience) – change of date • 1:30pm Year 6 Leavers' Performance (letters to request tickets will follow nearer the time)
Thurs 9 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:30pm Year 6 Leavers' Performance (letters to request tickets will follow nearer the time)
Mon 13 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 2 trip to Gressenhall
Thurs 16 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4:30-6:30pm Year 6 Leavers' Disco
Fri 17 th Jul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3pm School & 3:15pm Nursery close for Summer holiday

Community News

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

- * 9.15am–10.30am every Tuesday
 - * 2:00-3:30pm and 6:30-7:30pm every Thursday
- For more information telephone 07736 725708
Email info@hubproject.org.uk

Community Lunch - Saturday 28th March 2026 at 12.30pm

The Wymondham Community Outreach Project is holding a Community Lunch on Saturday 28th March 2026 at 12.30pm in The RC Parish Church Hall, Norwich Road, Wymondham NR18 0QE.

Low income or no income individuals and families, who live in and around Wymondham, are welcome to contact Maddie: manager@wcop.co.uk to

book a place for this three course meal. Booking is essential. Bookings will close at 12pm on Thursday 26th March 2026. The event is free.

Financial Support for Families

- There will be ongoing support for families at: www.norfolk.gov.uk/costofliving
- Broader support on debt and welfare rights is available at www.norfolk.gov.uk/familyhubs.
- The Big Norfolk Holiday Fun programme is continuing, and the Easter programme will launch in the coming weeks. Families can visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/bignorfolkholidayfun to sign up.

South Norfolk Play Area Refurbishment Consultation

South Norfolk are planning exciting refurbishments for selected play areas across South Norfolk, funded by Pride in Place grants, and they want your input on the styles and features you'd like to see installed.

Your feedback will help them create safe, fun, and inclusive spaces that are right for your communities.

To have your say on the play area on Whispering Oaks in Wymondham please go to: [South Norfolk Play Area Refurbishment Consultation | Broadland and South Norfolk](#)

Junior Parkrun Information

Junior parkrun is a fun, free 2k event for young people aged four to 14, and their families, every Sunday at 9am.

Wymondham's nearest junior parkrun events are currently at Watton Sports Centre and in Norwich at Eaton Park and Lea Bridges Park. But soon young people and their families will be able to come along to Wymondham High Academy and walk, jog, run or volunteer at a brand new junior parkrun.

In order that Wymondham High Academy junior parkrun can take place safely each Sunday, we need a team of volunteers who can help out on Sundays with marshalling, setting up the course, handing out tokens, scanning barcodes – and being "run directors" on the day. If you'd like to be part of a community event, or you're the parent or guardian of a young person who wants to get involved, volunteering could be a great way to spend your Sunday mornings.

To find out a bit more about junior parkrun, and how to get involved at Wymondham High Academy junior parkrun, please come along to a free community meeting on Tuesday 21 April at 6.30pm at Wymondham High Academy. There'll be a presentation about junior parkrun, and a chance for you to ask questions and find out more.

For more information, or if you're unable to attend the meeting, you can email wymondhamjuniors@gmail.com



Norfolk County Council 2025-2026

Norfolk Model Calendar

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