



Friday 8th November 2019

Dear Parent and Families,

I was delighted to attend the Y3/4 district indoor athletics competition on Tuesday, with teams representing The Norman, Duchy of Lancaster and Weeting schools. I was very proud of their excellent behaviour as well as their performance in the events.

I am pleased to say that the Duchy team finished 2nd overall, with the combined Norman and Weeting team finishing 5th. Congratulations to all who participated, and thank you to Mrs Gunn for organising the trip as well as the staff and parent volunteers who attended.



Duchy School Council Meeting

School Council meetings have been taking place across all three schools this half term. On Wednesday I attended an 'Ask the Headteacher' meeting at the Duchy of Lancaster with Mrs Williams. Amongst their questions, the pupils asked me about repairing the outdoor play equipment which is currently out of use, and school dinners. In response, I have contacted the play equipment maintenance company to ensure repairs will be taking place. I have also spoken to Chartwells the catering company for all three schools, who have said they will be changing their menu every three weeks to ensure more variety, and they will look into why Yorkshire Puddings have not been on the menu for roast dinners and let me know! The children also asked about fundraising for Children in Need, suggesting a non-uniform day. I was very impressed with the children's confidence and articulate questioning.



Spotty Day 15 November

Pupils from all three schools are very keen to support Children in Need this year. To raise funds for this worthy cause, we will have a special 'Spotty Day' on 15 November. Children will be invited to wear non-uniform with a 'spotty' theme or item, and to bring in a contribution (suggested £1) for Children in Need.

'A cord of three strands is not easily broken' Ecclesiastes 4:12



The Norman School were pleased to give a warm welcome to Izobel from the Norfolk Wildlife Trust on Wednesday. She started the day by entertaining the children with an enthralling assembly about Norfolk Wildlife and Hares in particular. During the day each class had an hour long session outside on the school field where they took part in Environmental games, became natural history detectives and created wild art.



All pupils had an absolutely wonderful time and were excited to bring the outside back inside when their sessions were over! We are very grateful to Greater Anglia who completely funded the day.

Attendance

There are 190 days in the school year which leaves 175 non-school days for family time including visits and holidays. We are noticing a small number of pupils who are coming into school consistently late.

It may not seem much to you but being 5 minutes late every day adds up to 3 days lost each year, 10 minutes adds up to 6 days lost each year, 15 minutes adds up to 10 days lost each year, 20 minutes adds up to 13 days lost each year and being 30 minutes late each day adds up to 19 days lost each year. Being on time means not missing out!

A special well done to Duchy of Lancaster for getting 100% attendance on Wednesday.

As always thank you parents for your help supporting school and helping us improve attendance across the Trinity Partnership.

This week the following classes won their school's Attendance Award.

The Norman CE Primary School	Owl Class with 99.07%
Duchy of Lancaster CE Primary School	Hedgehog Class with 99.62%
Weeting CE Primary School	Oak Class with 97.77%

Last but certainly not least many thanks to Friends of Weeting for hosting the Autumn Disco on Friday 18th October. Thank you to all who attended and helped to raise £172.82 for the school.

We look forward to meeting with you at parents' evenings next week.

Yours sincerely

Mr Owen Rhodes
Executive Head Teacher



Diary Dates

Duchy- blue Norman- red Weeting- green

Monday 11 th November	Remembrance day assembly 10.45 am – all welcome
Monday 11 th November	Parents evening
Tuesday 12 th November	Parents evening
Tuesday 12 th November	Fox class parents evening
Tuesday 12 th November	Parents evening
Wednesday 13 th November	Parents evening
Thursday 14 th November	Parents evening
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Wednesday 14 th November	Norfolk Wildlife Trust Day
Friday 15 th November	Spotty day to support Children in Need - £1 suggested donation
Friday 15 th November	Oak Class bake sale
Thursday 21 st November	Flu immunisations (whole school)
Friday 22 nd November	Friends of Weeting Christmas Fair 3-5 pm
Thursday 28 th November	Reception height & weight screening checks
Friday 29 th November	KS1 Decoration Morning - Parents/Carers welcome
Wednesday 4 th December	NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe, more details to follow
Wk commencing 9 th December	Christmas productions, specific days and times to be confirmed
Monday 9 th December	Christmas production - dress rehearsal
Tuesday 10 th December	Christmas production - afternoon performance
Tuesday 10 th December	Christmas production – 10 am performance
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas production - evening performance
Wednesday 11 th December	Christmas production – 2 pm performance
Friday 13 th December	Get your sparkle on for NSPCC – more details to follow
Monday 16 th December	Carol service @ St Andrew's Church, more details to follow
Monday 16 th December	Carol service & Christingle 2.00 pm - all welcome
Friday 10 th January	Swimming starts for years 5 & 6, more details to follow
Friday 17 th January	Elm Class bake sale
Thursday 23 rd January	Reception height & weight screening checks
Thursday 23 rd January	NSPCC assemblies and workshop - 10.30am - 11am (KS2 Assembly), 11.15am-11.45am (KS1 Assembly), 1pm - 2pm (Year 5/6 workshop), more details to follow
Wk commencing 9 th March	Parents evenings, specific days and times to be confirmed
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Friday 20 th March	Beech Class bake sale
Monday 30 th March	Easter Service at St George's Church more details to follow
Wednesday 1 st April	Easter church service @ St Andrew's Church, more details to follow
Tuesday April 21 st	Swimming starts for Years 5 & 6, more details to follow
Thursday 23 rd April	Swimming starts for years 5 & 6, more details to follow
Monday 4 th May	May Day celebrations on Fendick Field in the afternoon
Friday 15 th May	Chestnut Class bake sale
Thursday 21 st May	Whole school sponsored walk, more details to follow
Wednesday 1 st April	Easter service, more details to follow
Friday 8 th May	Bank holiday, school closed - 75th Anniversary VE Day
Wk commencing 11 th May	SATs week
Thursday 2 nd July	Sports day
Monday 6 th - Wednesday 8th July	Kingswood residential trip for year 6's
Friday 10 th July	Sports day
Monday 13 th July	KS2 Performance - Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 14 th July	KS2 Performance 1.30pm parents/carers welcome
Wednesday 15 th July	KS2 Performance 6.30pm parents/carers welcome

Term Dates 2019/2020

Staff INSET days - 2/3rd September 2019, 3rd January 2020, 2nd April 2020

Autumn term

Wednesday 4th September - Friday 18th October 2019

Half-term holiday: Monday 21st - Friday 25th October 2019

Monday 28th October - Wednesday 18th December 2019

Christmas holiday: Thursday 19th December - Friday 3rd January 2020

Spring term

Monday 6th January - Friday 14th February 2020

Half-term holiday: Monday 17th - Friday 21st February 2020

Monday 24th February - Wednesday 1st April 2020

Easter holiday: Thursday 2nd - Friday 17th April 2020

Summer term

Monday 20th April - Friday 22nd May 2020 (Friday 8 May is a Bank Holiday)

Half-term holiday: Monday 25th - Friday 29th May 2020

Monday 1st June - Tuesday 21st July 2020

Summer holiday: Wednesday 22nd July - Friday 4th September 2020

Reminders

Please make sure you are registered on Pupil Asset so you can book and pay (where applicable) for your child's dinners. Don't forget that children in reception up to, and including, year 2 are eligible for universal free school meals. These can be ordered via Pupil Asset as with all school dinners. If you are having any problems with Pupil Asset please talk to your school's secretary.

To prevent the spread of head lice in our schools please check your child's hair regularly and make sure that long hair is tied back.

For safeguarding reasons, we ask that if your child is not attending school that you call the school and leave a message. You should please state your child's name, class and the reason for their absence.

The email addresses have changed for the school offices they are now as follows: norman@trinitypartnership.norfolk.sch.uk, duchy@trinitypartnership.norfolk.sch.uk & weeting@trinitypartnership.norfolk.sch.uk.