



Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents and Families,

Following the letter sent to parents last week, sharing DfE advice on coronavirus, I am pleased to say the children are doing very well across the schools with their regular handwashing. You should be aware of advice published by Public Health England today (Friday), which states ‘The most common symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of a new continuous cough and/or high temperature. If you have these symptoms, however mild, stay at home and do not leave your house for 7 days from when your symptoms started. You do not need to call NHS 111 to go into self-isolation. If your symptoms worsen during home isolation or are no better after 7 days, contact [NHS 111 online](https://www.nhs.uk). If you have no internet access, you should call NHS 111. For a medical emergency dial 999.’

We will keep you informed of any changes to advice and other important information.



Pupils in Year 5 at The Norman have had a taste of high school life after they were kindly invited to Icen Academy in Methwold for a Mandarin lesson. They discovered many of the Mandarin characters and they learnt to count to 99! Children enjoyed this experience and returned to school enthused, not only for the new language but also their transition to high school. We look forward to Duchy of Lancaster and Weeting Year 5’s benefiting from this superb opportunity before the Easter holidays. Other transition events to Icen, and IES Breckland, will take place during the year.

Congratulations to Ari and Billie-Jo at Duchy of Lancaster who have already achieved 100 house points this year. It is very rare for anyone to achieve this before the summer term, and this reflects their excellent attitudes towards learning.



Duchy of Lancaster were visited by Barney the Reading Dog again today. He listened to a number of pupils read, including Rex!

Weeting Primary School would like to say a hearty "thank you" to Pip, Max and those who participated in the school 'Clean-Up'. This was during their own time on the 1st March 2020. We are very grateful to them for helping to keep the environment clean and beautiful. Weeting would also like to say a big thank you to everyone who took part in World Book Day yesterday, raising £19.50 for each class to spend on books for their story time sessions.



Thank you to those of you who completed parent surveys during this term's Parents' Evenings. I am always pleased to receive feedback, and although the responses were mostly positive, I am aware that there are always areas to improve. We will all continue to work hard for the benefit of your children.

A summary of responses can be found below, showing percentages of those who either strongly agreed, agreed, or did not know in response to each statement.

Statement	Duchy % agree	Norman % agree	Weeting % agree
My child is happy at this school.	94%	96%	100%
My child feels safe at this school.	94%	100%	100%
My child makes good progress at this school.	94%	100%	100%
My child is well looked after at this school.	100%	100%	100%
My child is taught well at this school.	100%	100%	100%
My child receives the correct amount of homework for their age.	88%	79%	100%
This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	81%	82%	100%
This school deals effectively with bullying.	88%	85%	100%
This school is well led and managed.	100%	100%	100%
This school responds well to the concerns I raise.	100%	93%	100%
I receive valuable information about my child's progress.	94%	82%	100%
Would you recommend this school to another parent?	100%	100%	100%

Duchy: 16 responses; Norman: 28 responses; Weeting: 10 responses

#### Attendance

We are aware that sometimes an emergency medical appointment cannot be avoided but we do ask that any routine medical appointments are made after school or in the school holidays.

There are 190 days in the school year which leaves 175 non-school days for family time including visits and holidays. Every school day counts! We have been noticing a small number of pupils who are coming into school consistently late. Please be aware that as well leading to lost learning time, being late can be a disruptive way for children to start their school day.

Another special mention this week for Hedgehogs class at Duchy of Lancaster for achieving 100% attendance again. Well done to you all. This week the following classes won their school's Attendance Award:

<b>The Norman CE Primary School</b>	<b>Owl Class with 94.23%</b>
<b>Duchy of Lancaster CE Primary School</b>	<b>Hedgehog Class with 100%</b>
<b>Weeting CE Primary School</b>	<b>Weeting Class with 96.63%</b>

Yours sincerely



Mr Owen Rhodes  
Executive Head Teacher



## The Trinity Partnership

### Reminders

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.

For the safety of the children, yourselves and also our neighbours can we please ask that when you drop off, pick up or visit any of our schools that you park safely and avoid parking too close to the school gates and never on the yellow zig zag lines outside school. Please also park with consideration to our neighbours around all schools.

Please ensure that any cash brought in to school is sealed in an envelope with the child's name, class & purpose of the money (e.g. dinner money) this should be deposited into the drop box located in the school foyer. Letters and slips do not need to be in an envelope unless they are accompanied by a form of payment.

### Diary Dates

Duchy- blue    Norman- red    Weeting- green

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March

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Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March

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Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May

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Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May

Wk commencing 11<sup>th</sup> May

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

Monday 6<sup>th</sup>- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July

Beech Class bake sale

Muffins for Mum's - PTFA event more details to follow

Easter Service at St George's Church & Easter bonnet competition more details to follow

Easter Service @ 9:00 am - All parents welcome

Class Photo's

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Easter church service @ St Andrew's Church and Easter bonnet competition, more details to follow

PTFA Cake Sale, more details to follow

Swimming starts for Years 5 & 6, more details to follow

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May Day celebrations on Fendick Field in the afternoon

PTFA Sponsored Walk, more details to follow

Sleep East parent workshop - More details to follow

Whole school sponsored walk, more details to follow

Bank holiday, school closed - 75th Anniversary VE Day – All Schools

SATs week – All schools

Chestnut Class bake sale

Sports day

Sports day

Kingswood residential trip for year 6's – All schools

Sports day

KS2 Performance - Dress Rehearsal

KS2 Performance 1.30pm parents/carers welcome

KS2 Performance 6.30pm parents/carers welcome



## The Trinity Partnership

### Term Dates 2019/2020

Staff INSET day: 2nd April 2020

#### Spring term

Monday 24th February - Wednesday 1st April 2020

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

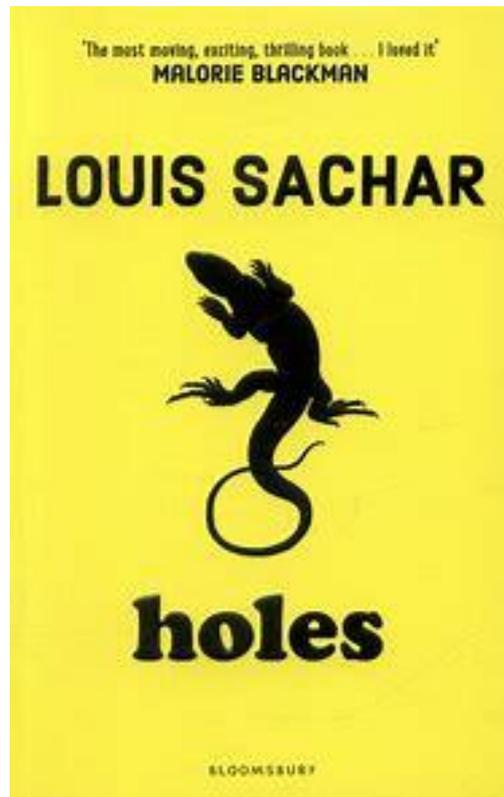
#### Summer term

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



As it is Friday 13<sup>th</sup>, I thought I would recommend this brilliant book about a family's bad luck caused by a curse on their 'no-good-dirty-rotten-pig-stealing-great-great-grandfather'!