



Friday 31st January 2020



This week saw us celebrating the Chinese New Year of the Rat across the Trinity Partnership.

At Weeting Chestnut & Beech classes acted out the story of how Chinese New Year started and found out that this year is the Year of the Rat. The children learnt how to count and write numbers in Chinese, made paper chain dragons and created their own dragon dances.



At The Norman, Robins Class made a Chinese Dragon as part of their RE lesson. They learnt that the colours red and gold are the auspicious colours of the Chinese New Year, red symbolising good fortune and happiness together with gold for wealth, and they made their dragon creation using

these colours. On Friday, they listened to Chinese Music and each had a turn at going under the dragon, making it move and dance. They learnt where China was in the world and talked about their traditional foods.



On Monday, Robins class took part in their own garden bird watch observing the birds that landed in the class garden. They have been busy making and providing different food sources for them and learning how to care for them.



At Duchy of Lancaster the children were visited by Olly Day, a road safety magician who teaches the children how to stay safe. Olly used his magic to promote 'Stop, look and listen', and 'be bright at night'.



At Weeting, Katalina from Oak Class made this fantastic hydraulic arm at home. We are always pleased to see children extending their learning out of school, whether through homework tasks or independent learning.



We are happy to share the news that Jamie-Lee Frohawk, Norman's Pre-School Leader, is expecting a baby later this year. We wish her a very happy and healthy pregnancy.

I am very pleased to let you know that Beccy Ireland-Curtis was appointed as our Chair of Governors last week. You may remember Mrs Ireland-Curtis as our consultant headteacher last year, and she is currently head of Ely St Mary's, another DEMAT school. Please see her letter to parents on the back page of the newsletter.

Attendance

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.

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

The Norman CE Primary School	Owl Class with 96.58%
Duchy of Lancaster CE Primary School	Foxes Class with 97.58%
Weeting CE Primary School	Elm Class with 97.78%

Yours sincerely



Mr Owen Rhodes
Executive Head Teacher

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.

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.



Diary Dates

Monday 3rd February
Wk commencing 9th March
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Friday 20th March

Monday 30th March

Tuesday 31st March

Wednesday 1st April

Tuesday April 21st

Thursday 23rd April

Monday 4th May

Friday 15th May

Thursday 21st May

Wednesday 1st April

Friday 8th May

Wk commencing 11th May

Thursday 2nd July

Monday 6th- Wednesday 8th July

Friday 10th July

Monday 13th July

Tuesday 14th July

Wednesday 15th July

Duchy- blue Norman- red Weeting- green

NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe - Workshop for years 5/6 @ 9 am

Parents evenings, specific days and times to be confirmed

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Beech Class bake sale

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

Class Photo's – All schools

Easter church service @ St Andrew's Church, 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

Chestnut Class bake sale

Whole school sponsored walk, more details to follow

Easter service, more details to follow

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

SATs week – All schools

Sports day

Kingswood residential trip for year 6's – All schools

Sports day

KS2 Performance - Dress Rehearsal

KS2 Performance 1.30pm parents/carers welcome

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Term Dates 2019/2020

Staff INSET day: 2nd April 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



Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to introduce myself as the new Chair of Governors of the Local Governing Body for The Trinity Partnership, I'm sure some of you will remember me from my work at the schools last year as the Consultant Headteacher. I am delighted that I have been able to remain involved with the schools and I am looking forward to working closely with Mr. Rhodes and his team over the coming months.

The Local Governing Body play an important role in the life of the school and we are keen to ensure that you become familiar with our work. This can be varied ranging from audits around safeguarding, to monitoring of finances and of course monitoring the quality of education being delivered within the schools. We act as a critical friend to the school's leadership team and work strategically with the Headteacher and his team to ensure we are all doing our best to provide a high-quality education for your children.

If you wish to find out more about the Governors, then please visit The Trinity Partnership website to find out who we are and the roles we currently have.

In addition, if you would like to become involved in the work of the Governing Body please contact me through clerk@trinitypartnership.norfolk.sch.uk.

Should you have any other questions, then please do not hesitate to contact me using the above address.

Kindest regards

Beccy Ireland-Curtis

