

Friday 22nd November 2019

Dear Parent and Families,

I was very pleased to attend the Tag Rugby tournament at Icen Academy on Wednesday along with Mrs Gunn, and staff and children from all three schools. The children in Y3/4 took part in rugby skills sessions, while the Y5/6 pupils played in matches against other schools. Although the overall results have not yet been published, I am pleased that all of our teams won several matches, and I was proud of their effort and sporting behaviour.



Owls Class were very grateful for the help from Starlings this week when they helped them demonstrate how circuits work. Owls are currently investigating Electricity and



to demonstrate a circuit children joined hands using an energy stick. An Energy Stick has a highly sensitive circuit that's able to detect very small amounts of electricity that travel across your skin. When we all joined hands in a circuit we were able to activate the sound and lights in the energy stick! We managed to light up the energy stick with over 50 children and staff joining hands!



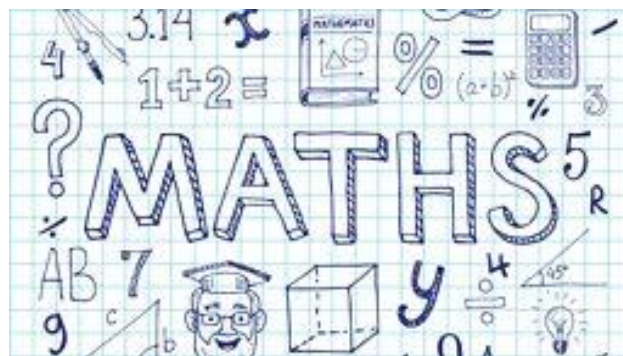
Badger class paid a visit to St. George's church in Methwold this week. We have been learning about the use of

symbols in Christian churches. Reverend Waters gave the children a tour of the building and artifacts. It was wonderful to hear the children tell him all they knew and ask poignant questions.





Over at Weeting, Chestnut Class have been learning to use the mathematical phrases "greater than", "less than" and "equal to" to help them 2 groups of objects. In this game the children had to count how many spots were on the



paper plate and then draw an amount on their plate that was greater than or less than the original number. They learnt that there can be lots of answers to a problem and had great fun trying to find as many different answers as possible.



Well done to all children & families who donated to Children in Need last week. I am told the staff at Weeting thoroughly enjoyed Joe Wicks' Big Morning Move workout!

The Norman raised £77.10, Duchy of Lancaster £182.50 & Weeting School £92.32. So in total the Trinity Partnership raised £351.92 for this fantastic cause. Thank you for your support.



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!

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 96.3%
Duchy of Lancaster CE Primary School	Badgers Class with 99.21%
Weeting CE Primary School	Elm Class with 97.7%

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mr Owen Rhodes
Executive Head Teacher



The Trinity Partnership

Diary Dates

Duchy- blue Norman- red Weeting- green

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
Wednesday 4 th December	Christmas Dinner
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 1.30pm - Ticket Only
Tuesday 10 th December	Christmas production - evening performance 6.30pm - Ticket Only
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
Thursday 12 th December	Christmas Dinner
Friday 13 th December	Get your sparkle on for NSPCC – more details to follow
Friday 13 th December	PTFA Christmas Children’s Fair 3.15pm - all welcome
Monday 16 th December	Carol service @ St Andrew’s Church, more details to follow
Monday 16 th December	Christmas Dinner
Monday 16 th December	Carol service & Christingle 2.00 pm - all welcome
Friday 10 th January	Swimming starts for years 5 & 6
Tuesday 14 th January	NSPCC Speak Out, Stay Safe, 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 8 th 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

Reminders

Please ensure that your child comes to school with their PE kit on Monday. This means if the times of PE lessons are changed children are prepared and will not miss out.

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.



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