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MARCH NEWSLETTER

TERM DATES

We finish for Easter on Friday 5th April and the summer term starts on Tuesday 23rd April.

END OF TERM DROP IN

We will be holding a drop-in session on the last morning of term - Friday 5th April - when you can have a look at your child's work and their classroom, have an informal chat with staff and purchase second hand uniform if you wish. You will be welcome in the classrooms at any time between 9.15 (after the registers) and 11.30 am. Children will be going out to play at 10.30-10.50 am and at that time you will be very welcome to come for a drink and biscuit in the hall.

There will also be a Reception Story Café that morning - further details to follow nearer the time.

OPERATION ENCOMPASS

We are an Operation Encompass school which means that Norfolk Police will contact the school concerning any domestic incidents which involve the families of our children the day after the incident occurred. This means that we will be in a good position to support the child following such an incident.

Y2 MATHS EVENT

The next maths event for Y2 children and their parents or other family members is on Wednesday 6th March from 9-9.45am in the school hall.



YEAR 1 & 2 PERFORMANCES

This year we are having a change from our Y1 and Y2 End of Year concerts. Instead Y1 will be doing a 'Spring Fling' at the end of this term and Y2 will do something for parents towards the end of the summer term.

Dates and times as follows:

Parents of children in Mrs Prophet's Class - Weds 27th March at 9.30 am

Parents of children in Mrs Blackiss' Class - Thurs 28th March at 9.30 am

Parents of children in Mrs. Ellis' Class - Weds 10th July at 9.30 am

Parents of children in Mr Whitehead's Class - Thurs 11th July at 9.30 am

BOOKS AND LEGO FOR SCHOOLS TOKENS



Thank you for all of the book tokens you collected from the local press – because we collected over 1000 tokens, we received £100 of books for our library.

We are now collecting the Lego tokens from the local press - the collection box is in the library.

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VOLUNTEERING

If anyone would like to come in and listen to children read or do other voluntary work, please come and see us for a volunteer pack and we can have a chat about what you could do and when. Thank you!

Y1 READING EVENT

The next reading event for Y1 children and their parents or other family members is on



Monday 18th March from 2.15-3 pm in the school hall.

FOGG NEWS

Thank you to all who supported the non-uniform day in return for £1 for the Trussell Trust. We raised £119 which was used to purchase essential items for the foodbank.

The next FOGG fundraiser is a combined event for Comic Relief and for FOGG. On Comic Relief day – Friday 15th March – there will be a cake sale after school and all funds raised will go to Comic Relief. Any donations of cakes, cookies or tray bakes would be gratefully received – please do not donate anything containing nuts.

Also on that day, we will have optional non-uniform in return for an Easter Egg for the FOGG Easter raffle. Raffle Tickets will be in book bags for you to purchase from Monday 18^{th} March. The raffle will be drawn at the Reception Story Café on Friday 5^{th} April.

LIBRARY VAN

The next library van visit is on Wednesday 13th March. Don't forget that your child will need their library card if they want to borrow a book.



BOOK FAIR

We will be having our annual Scholastic School Book Fair from Thursday 21st March to Tuesday 26th March.

This will be open to parents and children from 8.30-9am in the Hall on Thurs 21st, Fri 22nd, Mon 25^{th} and Tues 26^{th} March.

The children will get to look round and view the books on sale during the week and you will also get a leaflet detailing some of the books on offer.

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SCHOOL Attendance

FEBRUARY ATTENDANCE

February's attendance was 95%

We tend to get a few parents who cannot get their children to school if they (the parents) are ill. Obviously if you are ill you probably want your children to be in school so that you can focus on getting better, and we want them to be in school too. We wondered if any parents would like to form a 'group' that we can call on if other parents are struggling to get their children to school. This would be for 'one off' occasions, not a regular taxi service! If you are interested in offering your help, please let us know.

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NORSE TASTER

A new menu will start after Easter so Norse will be in to do another taster session for parents and children on Tuesday 2^{nd} April from 1.45-2.45 pm.

The taster dishes will be based on the new menu and the idea is that you and your child try some of the dishes that they are unsure of, to encourage them to try a range of school dinners. Please complete the attached slip and return to school by FRIDAY 22^{ND} MARCH so that Marion our cook can place her order in time.

STAFFING

Sharon, one of our longstanding MSAs and Green Dragons play workers will be going on her maternity leave on Friday 22nd March. I'm sure you will all join me in wishing her well over the next few months.

We are currently recruiting for a temporary MSA and are pleased that Jo Hall, one of our MSAs and Jay Williams, one of our TAs, will cover Green Dragons until Sharon comes back.



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ONLINE SAFETY

We are still concerned that some children are accessing inappropriate games and online material, despite our best efforts to teach them about online safety.

If you need help to check your child's settings or to block inappropriate sites, please ask at the office for a guidance sheet.

SCHOOL EXIT BUTTON

Please remember that your children should not be pressing the EXIT button by the front door - we have taught them that only adults should do this so even when they ask you to lift them up so they can press it, please show them the sign that says ADULTS ONLY.



If your child is booked into GREEN DRAGONS after their after school activity club and you collect them unexpectedly from the activity club, please can you inform GREEN DRAGONS staff so that they know that they will not be coming.

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The next FOGG Film Club will be on Friday 29th March details to follow.