



Aslacton Primary School - Newsletter Friday 28th September

We have had a fantastic, and very busy outdoor week. In Owls we have been looking at the fairy doors and writing about who might live behind them as well as beginning our milk bottle igloo. Kestrel class have had a great time learning outdoors; in maths we've made shapes using natural resources, and in music we've made instruments out of sticks! We have also been learning about the features of castles. In Eagle Class we have been learning column subtraction with decomposition, building cardboard box skyscrapers and designing Mandala stones.

Eagle Class Learning Café—3rd October, 9am

Please join your child in the hall to share in a learning activity with them for around 30 minutes.

Harvest Festival

We will once again be supporting the work of the Norwich Foodbank at our Harvest Festival on October 4th. We will be holding a collection on that day for dry and long-life goods that we will then take to the Foodbank for them to distribute to those in need. These are some of the items that the Food Bank are in need of: **tinned potatoes, long life (UHT) milk, instant coffee, long life fruit juice, cereal bars, instant mash and deodorant for men and women.** Please note: They are currently very well stocked with baked beans, soup, cereal and pasta. We will be walking to the church to celebrate our Harvest Festival. **Do please join us at the church to celebrate with us at 9.15am and hear more about the work of the Foodbank.**

Change to the menu—Thursday 4th October

Norse have advised us that they will be holding a themed lunch on October 4th in place of the usual menu. This will be 'Street Food Thursday' and the menu will consist of:

Hot: Meatball Sub (meatballs in a red pepper sauce) with Grated Cheese or Vegetarian: Vegetarian Sub (vegetarian meatballs in a red pepper sauce) with Grated Cheese

The above will be served with 'Chips and Dips' and corn on the cob.

Dessert: Mini Ring Doughnuts with Jam Sauce.

For children with special diet menus the above will be adapted to suit their individual needs.

The Core Story Approach

Each half term the learning in class is centred around a core story text which inspires writing and leads into our topic work. Our stories this half term are:
Owls—Little Houses by Helen Musslewhite and The Three Little Pigs by Nick Sharratt

Kestrels— Jack and the Beanstalk by Richard Walker and Niamh Sharkey

Eagles— Kick by Mitch Johnson

Upcoming Dates:

Harvest Festival

Thursday 4th October 2018

Open Afternoon

Thursday 4th October 2018

2:00-3:15pm - **please spread the word—an opportunity to see the school in action, meet the staff and tour the school. Current and prospective parents welcome.**

Parents Evenings

Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th October 2018

Horstead Parents Meeting -

Tuesday 16th October 3.15pm

Term Dates

Half Term 18th October 2018.
School re-opens 29th October 2018

Christmas break 19th December 2018
School re-opens 3rd January 2019

Half Term 18th February 2019
School re-opens 25th February 2019

Easter break 8th April 2019
School re-opens 23rd April 2019

Half term 27th May 2019
School re-opens 3rd June 2019

Summer break 25th July 2019

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Parent's Evenings—10th and 11th October

Please visit the office **from Tuesday onwards**, or email the office, to sign up for a 10 minute slot in which you can meet your child's class teacher and discuss how they have settled into the new school year. **There will be no Blue Peter Club or Gardening Club on Thursday 11th to accommodate parents evening.**

PTA AGM

The AGM was held on Monday to reflect on what the PTA has achieved for the school this year and to look to the coming year. Unfortunately there were not enough people present to enable a committee to be formed, and we are still in need of a Chair person and a Treasurer. The PTA is a valuable resource within the school which supports the teaching and learning activities within the school throughout the year through their fundraising.

Some of the fundraising activities they organised last year were the Quiz and Chips, Family Fun Night, Family Bingo and the tea-towels.

Last year they funded the whole school trip to the Pantomime at Christmas, the cost of at least one coach per class for trips at £670 (this reduces the cost of each trip per person by around £5); Christmas crackers and Christmas gifts for all children (£100); two school discos (£450); the Y6 leaver's trip (£200); prizes for sports day and world book day (£50) and £50 per class for extra items that they need to enhance the learning.

Without a committee we will be unable to sustain these fun and special activities and the costs of school trips will have to rise to accommodate the costs of the coaches. If you would like to be a part of the PTA, please speak to Mrs Turk who can explain more of the commitment involved and the roles that require filling.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Booth for all she has done as Chair of the committee over the last few years and wish her and her family well as they move.

Archant— 'Books for Schools'

We will once again be collecting the tokens from Archant publications which include the EDP, EADT, Evening News and the Diss Mercury. This time they will be providing books for schools in return for the tokens. We need at least 1000 tokens to get us £100 worth of books. Please support this appeal and ask anyone you know who reads these publications to save the tokens for us, it would be great to be able to add new books to our school library.

Produce Show

Congratulations to all the children whose work was sent to the produce show, we had success in all the categories that we entered.

Cake Friday

Congratulations to Joscelin, this week's Cake Friday winner.

Attendance:

We are aiming for 100% attendance in School. Overall school attendance for w/e 28th September was 99%

The class attendance for this week

Owl: 100%

Kestrel: 99%

Eagle: 98%

Well done to owl class with 100% attendance.

If your child is unwell and unable to be in school, please ensure that you phone and leave a message to inform us before 9.30am. Absences not accounted for after this time will be recorded as unauthorised.

Headteacher's Award

To Wauryn in Owl for your fantastic work building houses for the 3 little pigs

To Kasey in Kestrel for being such a great team player

To Landyn in Eagle for your excellent understanding of column subtraction and decomposition

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