



20th December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Merry Christmas!

Thank you to all our parents who have been keeping up with our communication through Parentmail and through our Facebook page. These will continue to be the main ways that we communicate with parents, as well as a half termly newsletter. It has been such a busy half term, especially over the last 2 to 3 weeks, so I have included a selection of recent activities below. Thank you again for all your support this term and I hope you have a lovely break over the Christmas period. Our last day at school is today, Friday 20th December and all pupils are due back on Monday 6th January 2025.



Great Yarmouth Festival of Carols

Our choir had been rehearsing since October to prepare for the Great Yarmouth Schools Music Association Festival of Carols at the Drill Hall. This annual event has been running for 72 years now and is a brilliant lead into Christmas. Our choir performed with several other local primary and high schools and sounded amazing.

Christmas Craft Fayre

Thank you to all the parents and families that attended our Christmas Craft Fayre on 6th December. At this event alone raised £266.50 for our PFA which helps support trips and extra activities, such as our recent Pantomime visit. As always there were some amazing prizes in the raffles and great stalls that attended, so a huge thank-you to those businesses that supported this event.



We would like to thank pupils, parents and staff for their support in all our fundraising efforts this Christmas – Christmas Craft, Staff Cake Raffle, Pupils Chocolate Raffle and Present Shop – in total we raised an amazing £688.30!

Year 3 Time and Tide

Year 3 had a long walk over to the Time and Tide Museum for a Stone Age experience as part of their history topic. They then had a bit of a wait to be ferried home due to the snow that started falling around lunchtime. They coped superbly with the last-minute change and had a fantastic day!



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Christmas Maths

For all you maths enthusiasts out there, you may be asking yourself how you will get by without any maths over Christmas. So! I thought I would set a maths challenge just for you. There will be a Christmas TTRS battle which starts on the 19th of December and runs through to 6th January. There will be a winner in each year group, and these will be announced in January. Good luck and have a very Merry Christmas!
Mrs Stebbings

Design Technology

As part of our current Design Technology unit of work classes have been baking or cooking and Year 4 made some especially delicious looking pizzas



Christmas Dinner

On Wednesday we enjoyed the whole school sitting down together for our Christmas dinner, whilst wearing our Christmas jumpers. It is always great to sit down as a school and enjoy a festive meal together.



Christmas concerts

Thank you to everyone who attended our Key Stage 2 Christmas concert and our Key Stage 1 Nativity performance. A special thank you to those parents that joined in our traditional '12 days of Christmas' number, with some very tuneful and not so tuneful voices!

The children absolutely love performing to you and with you and what a fantastic job they did. Thank you to all the staff that rehearsed with the children and took extra time to put these performances together.





Present Shop

This proved so popular last year that we have kept it as a new Edward Worlledge Christmas tradition. Pupils choose to order a present for a member of their family and contribute £2.00. With a total of 147 presents it has been great to see so many children join in on the festive spirit of giving.

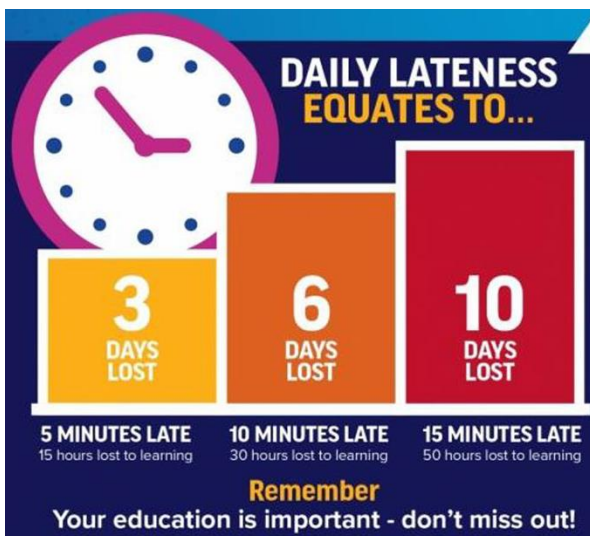
Sporting success

We have had teams representing us at a number of recent sporting events, this includes pupils from Years 3,4,5 & 6 attending the East Norfolk Cross Country event at Bure Park, with 3 of our pupils, Max, Holly and Leighton making it through to the Norfolk final at Langley School in Loddon. Our Year 5 & 6 boys football team won their latest league match 10-0 against Martham and 8 of our Year 6 pupils also attended the East Norfolk Dodgeball tournament at East Coast College. All the pupils performed brilliantly, and we look forward to many more events in the New Year.



Yare Christmas Activities

Yare class have had a number of Christmas activities, including performing their own nativity to parents, visiting the minster with their decorated angel, a trip to see Santa Claus and visiting all our classes around the school to show them their festive carol singing.



Attendance Matters

Being at school all day every day does make a significant difference. We know from our experience and data that children who are regularly at school, with an attendance of over 96% do go to high school with better outcomes in phonics, maths, reading and writing than those pupils with poor attendance. Excellent attendance is a priority for us and I am pleased to say that our attendance is ahead of where we were this time last year. However, we still are some way short of the 96.5% that we are expected to achieve.

Can I also ask that children are in school by 8.45am, so that they can get straight on with their morning starter activities and don't miss any of their learning.

