

# Head of School Newsletter



## Autumn 2

What a fantastic half term we have had, we are so proud of all the children and what they have achieved this term! We have been so busy with a huge range of learning opportunities including all our festive fun!

We have had some exciting learning opportunities and visits this half term.

Nursery have enjoyed learning about different habitats, polar regions, deserts and grasslands through stories such as Jonty Gentoo!

Reception loved the visit from the owls followed by their night time adventure, visiting the school after dark!

Year 1 have been on a trip to see the Cat in the Hat at the play house and explored rhyming words and phrases. They had a fantastic time!

Year 2 had a brilliant visit from Adrian Hall, exploring map skills, learning about north, east, south and west, as well as orienteering and finding out about Adrian's experience of the Arctic!

We hope you all have an enjoyable and peaceful Christmas break.

Thank you for your continued support at Sparhawk Infant and Nursery we look forward to seeing you back school on Tuesday 6th January 2026, Mrs Munday and Mrs Jackson.

FOSSA!

A big thank you to the FOSSA committee and volunteers and also thank you to everyone who came and supported the Winter Wonderland! It was a fantastic event enjoyed by all!

Please remember new volunteers are always welcome!

## DON'T FORGET

Please remember any absence must be reported through the office via the absence line. Please do not communicate absence through Tapestry.

Please park considerately to help our neighbours and for the safety of our whole community.

All children should have their own, named, water bottle in school everyday.

Our school is a nut-free zones. Please do not include any items containing nuts in packed lunches



Our overall school atttendance is

95.11%

Well done to Disney Class for having the highest attendance across the school at a fantastic 95.46%

Children & Young People's Health Services

JustOneNorfolk.nhs.uk Norfolk & Waveney

0300 300 0123

The Just One Norfolk site has many resources to support you and your child's health - https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/

Our totals so far this term....



Tom Percival

1239



Julia Donaldson

1385



Joseph Coelho

1259



Sue Hendra

1398

Well done to Team Hendra!

# Community

Our community supports our children to accept new challenges and be resilient in the face of adversity; to have humour, a willingness to laugh and be graceful in difficult situations.

Friendship, Class, year group, school, village, city, county, country, world

As part of our school values this term's newsletter highlighs this value:
FOSSA - fundraising for our wonderful school with the support of our community
Volunteers helping in school – listening to readers, supporting the library and helping with tasks in the classroom
Local visits within our community - the church, care home and Falcon Junior school.
Visits to our school – Adrian Hall sharing his experience of the Arctic, Hoot with Us- owl visit
New experiences as a class, performing our Christmas Plays, Year 1 visiting the Playhouse for the Cat in the Hat.
In school clubs - Eco Club to save the planet!

Christmas can be an amazing time of year. It can also be a stressful or lonely time of year. If you, or someone you know is struggling, please reach out.

Mind: Christmas and mental health - Mind (this site includes tips, support, contacts and emergency advice)
The Samaritans: 116 123
National Domestic Abuse helpline: 0808 2000 247
Report a concern about a child: 0344 800 8020

**Key Dates:**

**January**

School opens for all children: Tuesday 6th
Dentist Visit: Wednesday 7th
Family Learning English through Story Sacks – Reception: Every Tuesday 13th - 3rd February 1:00 – 3:00pm
Parent/carer Book Looks: w/c 26th (Tue/Wed) After School

**February**

Parent/Teacher Progress meetings: w/c 2nd (Tues/ Wed Face to face Thurs Online)
Children's Mental Health Week: w/c 2nd
Safer Internet Day 10th Feb
Half term: 16th – 20th
Return to School: 23rd Feb

**Our enhanced curriculum offer**

Classes have started ticking off their 50
Sparhawk Experiences.
Adrian Hall Visit
Hoot with me - Owl Visit
Night time adventure
Playhouse visit and Indoor picnic
Adult Learning - English
Adult Learning - Maths
E-safety Assemblies
Eco- Club
Hama Bead club