

Head of School Newsletter



Autumn 1

Welcome to our first Head of School newsletter of the year! This half term has flown by, the children have settled incredibly well and the school is full of exciting learning opportunities! We are proud to have appointed School Council Members, Eco Warriors and E-Safety Champions in each classroom!

Nursery have enjoyed exploring more about Autumn, they loved learning about the lifecycle of a pumpkin!

Reception have really enjoyed learning all about their bodies and the senses - taste testing was definitely a highlight!

Year 1 have been fully immersed in learning about Victorian schools - how life has changed since then!

Year 2 has been focussed on learning all about Horatio Nelson and Henry Blogg - why not ask who they think is most significant?

We hope you have a fantastic half term!

As everyone will be aware we have four values within our school - Community, Adventure, Respect and Excellence.

Community

At Sparhawk, we believe that community is about working together, showing kindness and supporting one another. We help children to understand that they are an important part of both our school family and the wider community.

We strengthen these connections through meaningful experiences beyond the classroom. For example, our visits to The Warren Care Home give children the opportunity to build relationships with local residents and learn from different generations. Our annual Aspiration Day brought our community together, with parents sharing their careers and experiences to inspire children and help them think about their own futures.

By building strong links with families and the local community, we help children develop respect, empathy and a sense of belonging, while encouraging them to make a positive contribution to the world around them.



Our overall school atttendance is

96.13%

Well done to Mackasie Class for having the highest attendance across the school at a fantastic 97.93%



Julia Donaldson



Joseph Coelho



Sue Hendra



Tom Percival

Teampoints	141	114	128	129

Should I keep my child off school?



Yes

	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek

SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://qrco.de/minfec.

Children & Young People's Health Services

0300 300 0123

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

Key Dates

Monday 2nd School reopens
Wednesday 4th - School photos
Saturday 7th Reception 2027 new parent tours: 10-11am
Monday 9th Flu Vaccines
Thursday 12th Reception 2027 new parent tours 2pm
Monday 16th Anti- bullying Event - Odd Socks Day
Wednesday 16th Speak Out Stay Safe Assembly
Monday 16th – Friday 20th Anti-Bullying week
Thursday 19th Reception nighttime adventure 5 - 6:15
Thursday 19th Flu Vaccines
Friday 20th Children in Need
W/c 23rd (Tue/Wed) After School Parent/carer book looks
Wednesday 25th SENDCo Drop In
Thursday 26th Height and weight checks Reception
w/c 30th Parent/ carer teacher meetings in person and online (Years 1/2)

National Week of Reading

In a few weeks we will be joining in with a 'national week of reading', we can't wait to share more details about this with you! Reading really does underpin everything! A few minutes of reading each day can make a huge difference. It doesn't have to be an entire book; even a page or two helps children build confidence and develop their fluency.

DON'T FORGET

Please remember any absence must be reported through the office - this can be through telephone or email. 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 enhanced curriculum offer

Classes have started ticking off their 50 Sparhawk Experiences.

Aspirations Day
Victorian Worshop
Hansel and Gretal Storyteller
Autumn Walk for Reception
Dental Screening
World Record Reading Attempt
Jeans for Genes Day
Show Racism the Red Card