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Mighty oaks from little acorns grow

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a really busy couple of weeks with trips out for children in KS1 and Year 5/6. Our Year 6 pupils enjoyed their Leavers' disco, and thank you to the Friends of School for organising and supporting this. Special thanks to Neil Miller for providing the disco and also to the staff who stayed and organised games – the children really enjoyed themselves and were very well behaved.

I wanted to thank families for their understanding with postponing sports day due to the intense heat that we experienced earlier in the week. It is always a difficult decision to make as we know parents and carers plan time off work around these special events. Looking at the weather forecast for Monday, it will be unsettled, and it is difficult to predict how accurate this will be. As this is our reserve day, we have made the decision to go ahead on Monday, but if the weather is too wet we will have to cancel on the day. Please can children come to school dressed in their PE kits on Monday.

We would like to share our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of the local pupil, who tragically died at the river this week. The local Beccles community has pulled together and are offering a range of support – please let us know if you need us to signpost you to this. We are aware that some of our pupils have siblings at the high school so children may talk about this in school.

Water safety is an important topic to discuss with the children and we had delivered an assembly on this earlier in the week. We discussed with pupils the dangers of different types of open water, unknown hazards in the water, as well as dangers linking to currents, temperatures and unknown depths. We also discussed beach safety and the meaning of some of the flags to support beach safety. We are aware that many children may be around water during the summer holidays and want our children to understand the dangers.

Kind regards, Holly Marchand, Headteacher

Swim England Norfolk County Challenge



Congratulations to Mia and Iona, who both competed at the Swim England Norfolk County Challenge on Saturday 28th June. They raced 100m freestyle and 100m breaststroke, and finished 1st and 2nd in both events for their age group, with personal bests in both events.

A Letter from the Author, Julia Donaldson

Back in March, to celebrate World Book Day, the Wagtails class wrote letters to their favourite author, Julia Donaldson. The Wagtails asked Julia lots of questions, including, 'What is your favourite book?'

This week Julia Donaldson wrote a letter to the Wagtails answering all of their questions. She also sent the children stickers. The Wagtails were very happy and proud that Julia replied to their letters. It made everybody smile!



Year 5/6 Trip to Dunwich



On Thursday 3rd July, the children in Years 5 and 6 visited Dunwich for a History and Geography field trip. The day was full of activities to further the children's learning of our local area. Longshore drift was explored first-hand by observing the movement of an orange in the sea; the dissolution of the monasteries was re-enacted at the priory ruins; understanding Dunwich's medieval past was discussed during the museum visit; and finally, the children learnt about the work of a local family and their involvement in the building of St James' Church.



It was a busy day and the children represented Worlingham brilliantly. The children's excellent behaviour was commented on by both our guide at the church and the staff at the museum.

*Please vote for Worlingham CEVC
Primary in your local Tesco Store!*

TESCO
Every little helps

We are delighted to be part of the Tesco Community Grant Scheme. Voting for Transformation of our Early Years Garden is now open in the Beccles and Southwold Tesco stores - customers can cast their vote using a blue token given to them at the check-out each time they shop. (Please remember to ask for a coin as sometimes these are not automatically issued).

So, if you are a Tesco shopper please cast your vote to support our school. Also, please tell your family and friends to help by voting for our garden project.

This scheme is now live and runs until September.
Thank you!



School Fete

A huge thank you to the Friends of School for organising the event and all the staff who stayed behind to help at the fete last Friday.

The children enjoyed the range of activities and stalls on offer, and a magnificent £1,324 was raised on the day.

Thank you to our families for supporting this event.

Robins Class and Wagtails Class Trips to Broadoak Farm



On Monday 23rd June, the Robins class visited Broad Oak Farm, and on Tuesday 24th June, the Wagtails had their class visit to the farm.



Both classes had a wonderful day, with opportunities to see pigs, goats, alpacas, tortoises and chickens. They also walked a donkey.



The children went on a woodland walk and did some pond dipping. They also sat on a tractor and a quad bike.



The behaviour from both classes was exemplary and showed the Worlingham Way.



A Surprise Visitor!

The children in the Blackbirds class had a surprise visitor on Monday morning, when a pigeon walked into their classroom! The pigeon had been racing from France, back to his home in Stoke-on-Trent, and had lost his way. The pigeon was cared for by Mrs Vaughan, who kindly looked after him for two nights, and was collected by courier on Wednesday.

DIARY DATES

Mon 7th July Sports Day
 Tue 8th July EYFS Trip to Africa Alive
 Fri 11th July FOS Non School Uniform
 Fri 11th July FOS Meeting – 1.30 / Cake Sale 3.15
 Fri 11th July Reports out to Parents
 Mon 14th July Y6 Production Evening
 Tue 15th July Y6 Production Evening

Wed 16th July Y6 Leavers' Assembly (+ Parents)
 Wed 16th July Y6 last day at Worlingham Primary
 Thu 17th July Y6 at SJLHS
Thu 17th July Whole school transition morning
 Fri 18th July Y6 at SJLHS
 Mon 21st July Y6 at SJLHS
 Tue 22nd July Last day of Summer term