



THE ACORN NEWSLETTER

Mighty oaks from little acorns grow

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*Great British
Summer Savings*



Until 1st September 2026, the Government is temporarily cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts and exhibitions, and admission to a range of attractions, along with free bus travel during August for children aged 5-15 in England. Please follow the link to find participating venues:

<https://summersavings.gov.uk>



A big thank you to Hannah Bullen and the Friends of School for all their hard work this year raising funds to enrich the children's education.



On Monday, we said goodbye to our fabulous group of Year 6 children. We're proud of all their achievements throughout their time at Worlingham CEVC Primary, and they have been a credit to our school and themselves. We hope they will continue with such positivity in their new schools next year. Good luck Year 6, we wish you well.



Dear Parents and Carers

In our final Acorn of this academic year, I would like to say a huge well done and thank you to all of our wonderful pupils for another fantastic year of learning. Our children are incredibly polite, kind and respectful, and always trying to follow the 'Worlingham Way'. I am so proud of all of our children for the way that they conduct themselves and their achievements this year - they are a credit to you all.

Thank you so much to parents, carers and family members for your continued support and kindness this year. We really appreciate the help and encouragement that you provide to our pupils both at home and when attending events in school too. Thank you for supporting the children by attending recent events such as sports day, the Year 6 performances and the scavenger hunt in KS1 last week. These events were very well attended and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

Finally, special thanks to all of our adults that work or volunteer in the school to make it such a special place. This includes all our wonderful staff, governors, Friends of School, Ministry Team and volunteers.

I hope that you all have a very well-deserved, enjoyable and safe holiday and I look forward to welcoming you back to school on Thursday 3rd September.

Kind regards, Holly Marchand, Headteacher

GOODBYE

Today, we are also sadly saying goodbye to Miss Clark (Teaching Assistant in EYFS), Mrs Copeman-Lamoureux (Teaching Assistant in KS1) and Mr Marchand, who is taking early retirement. We wish these staff members all the best in the future and thank them for their contributions to Worlingham. In addition to our Year 6 pupils, who are transitioning to high school, we also have a small number of pupils who are moving on to other schools at the end of this year. These pupils will all be sadly missed but we wish them all the best in their next adventures.

Year 1/2 Beach Fun and Circus Skills Day

The children in KS1 had a super time on Friday 10th July, enjoying a day of circus skills and beach fun. They learnt how to spin plates, balance 70cm peacock feathers on their hands and fingers, and how to juggle with scarves. They also made bunting, and an ice-cream token that they 'spent' in the ice-cream kiosk, with a choice of sauces and sprinkles to make their treat extra yummy!

The theme continued into the afternoon with art activities, and practising juggling skills using small hoops, bean bags and foam rings. At 2.30pm the children gathered up their adults for a scavenger hunt in the sunshine.



Year 6 Production

The Year 6 children excelled themselves with a fabulous production of James and the Giant Peach. The cast had spent 2 months getting into role and playing a variety of team games to gel them as a team. There were some exceptional performances, with sublime singing and acting. We were very proud of everyone.



Little Wandle Phonics

I am delighted to share that we have now completed two years of the Little Wandle Phonics programme. As a school, we have worked closely with the Wensum English Hub and have now graduated into the Mastery year. We are delighted with the progress that the children are making with their phonics and reading. I would like to thank Mrs Donovan (our Phonics and Early Reading Leader) and all our teachers and support staff who have worked so hard to implement this new phonics scheme into the school over the last two years.



Photography Competition

Over the summer, we encourage children to take part in our **Summer Photography Competition**, capturing a photograph of something that inspires them e.g. a beautiful landscape, nature, wildlife, a favourite place, an interesting object, or a special moment.

A selection of winning photographs will be chosen and professionally printed onto canvas. If your child would like to enter our Summer Photography Competition, please email the school office with your entry photo including your child's name and class and send in a £1 entry fee. Full details are available in the letter sent out via Arbor today.

The deadline for entries to the competition will be Monday 7th September.

National Read Aloud Challenge

Our school has signed up to take part in the National Read Aloud Challenge, where children engage in independent reading using Fonetti, the reading platform. The goal is to enhance reading skills, and foster a genuine passion for reading during the summer break.

During the challenge period you will receive weekly updates on your child's reading progress, and they will earn certificates for reaching the various milestones. All you need to do is set up a profile using our school's custom URL, or by scanning the QR code in the parent flyer (sent out via Arbor).

URL: <https://www.readaloudchallenge.co.uk/join/CMRF-JPCJ-VYRF>

We hope many of you will sign up, to help to continue to develop your child's reading skills, and passion for reading. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get into contact with the school.



Suffolk Library Reading Challenge

Please bring any completion certificates into school in September, and these will be displayed in the school library.

Squirrels Feedback

We are looking to review our Squirrels Breakfast and After-School Club and we are wanting to gather feedback about our current provision. It would be really helpful if you could complete the following form and we will then review the comments. Please click on the link below to access the form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfbNJBAdIBHtlc2tIWfS4h1Uy9Li7U9xS_BwF5GjA2dQyuVw/viewform?usp=dialog

Your feedback will be greatly appreciated.

