

Executive Headteachers' Bulletin

June 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to June and the final half of the Summer term. Transition becomes a real focus this half term for all children, whether they are joining our school for the first time, moving to a junior school, or moving up to the next year group within our school. Read on for news, updates and information for the end of this year and the beginning of next year.

Ms Jordan

Bewilderwood Fun!

Year 1 and 2 recently enjoyed a fabulous day at Bewilderwood. Thank you to everyone who made the day such a success.



Classes 2024

Funding for education continues to be exceptionally challenging. All schools are having to manage higher bills, higher costs and higher needs with less money. The Governors and I have been working hard to try to ensure our children have the best school experience possible, based on the funding we receive. As funding is based on the number of children in school, funding has a direct impact on the way we plan the class structure and adult support.

In September we will still have two classes for each year group. We are also thrilled to still be able to provide at least one, full-time, Teaching Assistant in every class. Additional adults will support children with specific needs.

Information on which class your child will be in and the staff within that class, will follow shortly.



Flu Vaccinations



All children from Reception to Year 11 are eligible for a flu vaccination. All parents will receive information and a consent form from the NHS. **Please complete this.**

Vaccinations will take place on Thursday 7th November 12:30-3pm and Thursday 28th November 12:30-3pm (Last year there was a 75% uptake but 21% did not submit a response)

A Spotlight on Childhood Anxiety

All children and young people feel worried sometimes. This is a normal, human reaction to things that feel stressful. Anxiety becomes a problem when a child or young person feels stuck in it. It can become an overwhelming experience and affect their daily lives. If your child or young person is struggling with anxiety, there are things you can do to help them, such as knowing some breathing and grounding techniques. To find out more about childhood anxiety, the signs to look out for and ways to help your child manage these feelings, go to: [Supporting A Child With Anxiety | Tips and Advice | YoungMinds](#)

For general advice and guidance you can also go to: [Anxiety in children - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](#)

You can also ask for support or guidance from school, as we have trained staff who can help.



A Day of Welcome



We are proud to be supporting A Day of Welcome on Friday 14th June. Remember to wear yellow and green to help us build a culture of welcome and understanding for refugees and asylum seekers. To find out more go to: [A Day of Welcome — Norfolk Schools of Sanctuary \(norfolksos.co.uk\)](http://norfolksos.co.uk)

Partnership



Our Partnership with The Federation of Spixworth Schools goes from strength to strength. Sparhawk are working toward their Gold Artsmark and are pleased to have created a link with Spixworth staff to share best practice. Governors of both schools continue to reflect on this partnership and look forward to providing more information soon.

Attendance



A new National framework to support school attendance is coming into effect from September. **Please read the flier that has been accompanies this newsletter carefully.** 5 days of unauthorised absence within 10 school weeks will be an offence. 3 offences within 3 years and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrate's court.

Safeguarding



We are pleased to share that several of our policies that relate to safeguarding children have been updated, including Safe Touch and Acceptable Use of electronic devices. These will be available on our website very soon.

General Reminders



- Please park considerately to our neighbours and safely for our whole community. Do not park in Libra Court.
- All children should have their own, named, water bottle in school everyday
- Please name all your child's items.
- Please let us know if your details or circumstances have changed over the holiday.
- Our schools are nut-free zones. Please do not include any items containing nuts in packed lunches. Special diets can be catered for by the kitchen.

Safety Reminders



- Only certain members of staff are allowed to let visitors into the school
- If you come into school you will be asked to sign in and out at the office
- Unless otherwise informed, push chairs should normally be left outside school in the buggy park or in the entrance
- Children should not be on the play equipment or on the playground on their own bikes/scooters before or after school

Thank you

Key Dates for this Half Term

June

Tuesday 4th - Bring a cuddly toy for RSPCA fundraiser

Wednesday 5th - RSPCA Pet Care Workshops

Wednesday 5th - Please return your raisin packets to school with any money you have raised for FOSSA

Thursday 6th - EYFS Bake Sale

Wednesday 12th - Nursery New Intake Open Evening 5:30pm

Friday 14th - Day of Welcome (wear anything yellow or green)

Wednesday 19th - Reception New Intake Opening Evening 5.30pm

Monday 24th - Premier Sports Visit for Diamond Class

Friday 28th - Sports Day and FOSSA BBQ 4:30-7pm

July

Monday 1st - Sports day in lieu

Tuesday 2nd - Reception new intake visit 1:30-3pm

Thursday 11th - Reception new intake visit 9:30-11:30am

Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th - Year 2 at Hautbois

Friday 19th - Last day at school

