



# Best News...

Dear Parents/ Carers,

## The Week Ahead

Mon. 18 <sup>th</sup>	- Tag Rugby Years 3&4 Dance Club	Lunchtime (after first sitting) School hall 3.20 - 4.20pm
Tues. 19 <sup>th</sup>	- Guitars lessons am Yr 4 Fun Maths Club Yr 5/6 Korfball Drums pm NO Cooking Club	1pm in 4P Lunchtime (after first sitting) Mobile
Wed. 20 <sup>th</sup>	- Year 5 Drama workshops Keep it Moving Club Guitars lessons am Tag Rugby Years 5/6 Keyboard lessons pm Woodwind pm Skillforce - The Princes Trust	School Hall 8.30am  Lunchtime (after first sitting) Mobile ICT Suite 4.30pm finish
Thur. 21 <sup>st</sup>	- Korfball Year 3/4 Funky Hamma Bead Club Samba Club Drums pm Gymnastics Art Club	Lunchtime (after first sitting) 6Q School Hall 3.15 - 4.30pm Mobile OCJS. Returning to WWL 4.30pm 6J 3.15-4.15pm
Fri. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	- Cross Country Drama Club	Lunch time (before first sitting) 3.20-4.20pm

NO FOOTBALL UNTIL AT LEAST AFTER FEBRUARY HALF TERM

## Dates for Your Diary:

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January – Deadline for Scholastic orders

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January – Bingo Night

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Valentine Disco

## HOUSEPOINT TOTALS



Buckingham	(Green)	317	Total - 33
Balmoral	(Blue)	458	Total - 37
Sandringham	(Yellow)	310	Total - 223
Windsor	(Red)	446	Total - 47

Congratulations to **Balmoral** this week!

## THE ATTENDANCE CUP



Was awarded to

3B, 3S and 5G

With attendance of 100 %

For the week 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> January 2016



### **GOLDEN BOOK AWARD**

Congratulations to the following pupils for providing us with 'WOW' moments and for being entered into our Golden Book;

*Pierce Saunders*



The way in which you can browse books and order has changed this time. You will need to go online at:

[www.scholastic.co.uk/clubs](http://www.scholastic.co.uk/clubs).

There are still plenty of books to browse and choose from and payments can be made online easily and delivered free to school.

The deadline for orders is **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January**. Books should be with you before the end of term.

Remember 20p in every £1 comes back to us in free books.

Thank you for all your support



**"A book is a gift you can open again and again."**

Garrison Keillor

## **School closures in adverse weather**



Many schools face difficulties as a result of adverse weather, particularly during periods of very low temperature and heavy snow. I am sure that you acknowledge that it is a difficult decision that sometimes has to be made as to whether to temporarily close the school for safety reasons and it is never a decision that is taken lightly.



In some circumstances closure is unavoidable, for example where there would not be enough staff on school sites to ensure pupil safety or the school site cannot be cleared sufficiently to be safe for all who attend the premises. We also have to take into account the travelling conditions and risk assess whether pupils, parents and staff can travel safely to and from school.

Information regarding whether White Woman Lane School is closed and a list of all schools which are closed can be found on the website [www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.schoolclosures.norfolk.gov.uk). As well as publishing the information on the web, Norfolk County Council will also highlight closures on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) channels, using the hashtag [#norfolkwinter](#).

In a situation where there has been snowfall and our school is open, pupils will only be allowed to play outside, at lunch and break times, if they have suitable clothing and footwear i.e. Wellingtons/snow boots and warm clothing and overcoats.

# TALK HOMEWORK & 'WOW' WORDS

Each week we send a Talk Homework activity and 'Wow' Words home and we would be very grateful for your support.

We are trying to help all our children develop excellent speaking and listening skills, which in turn will help them with their writing. "If a child can't say a sentence then they can't write it either!"

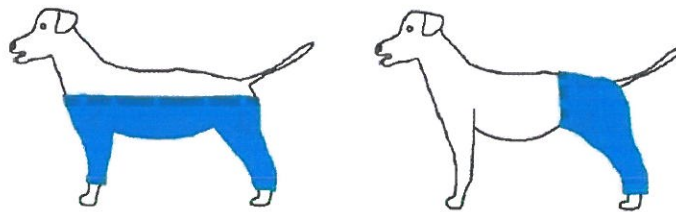
Please spend at least 10 minutes talking with your child about the questions below;

If a dog wore pants would he wear them

like this

or

like this?



It's the burning question that thousands of people across social media have been debating: How would a dog wear trousers (or 'pants', if you're American)?

It all started last month, when an illustration of a dog wearing trousers two different ways was uploaded to social media.

It got more than 60,000 likes and shares, and in a Twitter vote the two-legged version (right) won most support.

But what do you think? Which way would be better and why? What material would the trousers be made from? What colour would suit which breed of dog? And how on earth would you get them on and off?!

In Big Talk, we use 'WOW' Words to improve our vocabulary and 'big up' our sentences to make them more interesting!



Our 'WOW' Word this week is;



**Innovation**

(origination, creation, design, contraption, construction, device, gadget, apparatus, machine; discovery, gizmo.)

Please encourage your child to use this word, in the right context, as much as possible.

- The 'Talk Homework' and 'WOW' words will be set every Friday in the newsletter; children will then share their 'Talk' with their class on a Tuesday morning.
- We will encourage the children to use the WOW word throughout the week.

Thank you for your support in helping your child.



# **New Menu for February 2016 – A message from Norse**

We are delighted to share our Spring/Summer Menu 2016 with you which menu is due to start after February half-term, on Monday 22nd February 2016. The menu team have trialled and tested a number of the new recipes with children in our schools to ensure they received the stamp of approval! This seasonal menu includes some traditional favourites such as roast beef with Yorkshire pudding, pork meatballs with tomato and basil sauce, and toffee cream tart as well as some delicious new recipes including vegetable stromboli, cheese and tomato whirl with pasta salad and a summer fruit sundae!



We are really proud of the fact that 83% of this menu is made from fresh ingredients sourced within East Anglia!

**Norse**

The new menu is attached for your information.



## **HEAD LICE**

We have had reports that head lice have returned! The only way they can be controlled is if every parent checks their child's hair and if head lice are present, treats the child.

### **Top tips for checking and treating:**

Head lice are well camouflaged and hide when disturbed by combing. They do not always cause itching particularly when recently arrived on the head. They may also be few in number and a quick inspection is unlikely to detect them.

The recommended method is to use conditioner and a fine toothed comb, checking the comb for lice after each stroke as you work through the hair section by section, so that the whole head is combed through. Rinse out the conditioner and repeat the combing procedure in the wet hair.

If you find lice, you can treat using lotions obtainable from a pharmacist or by continuing to use the wet/conditioner combing method.



## SWIMMING !



During their time in year 4 our pupils take part in swimming lessons to improve their competence and confidence in the water. As we do not have our own pool we take the pupils to Drayton Junior School to use their facilities. Many of you will have heard that the pool is in desperate need of repair and refurbishment and will remain closed until these take place. The pool is particularly valuable as it is one of very few 'learner pools' locally and was used continuously by children from schools and clubs all over Norwich. Whilst Drayton Junior receives money from Norfolk County Council to run the pool, as well as money from hirers, there is no funding provided for the huge capital repairs and improvements the pool desperately needs. Drayton Junior is hoping to achieve grant funding to contribute to this but they will need extra support from the local community.

Without this additional support the pool will remain closed.

Drayton Junior has launched an appeal asking the local community for help by donating just

# £1

Thousands of children across the community have learnt to swim at the Drayton Junior School swimming pool since it opened in 1971. You may have even been one of them! If everyone who has used the pool donated just £1, enough money would be raised to fund the improvements needed to reopen the pool open and all our children swimming.

### There are many ways to donate:

ONLINE: A 'Justgiving' page has been set up:

<http://www.justgiving.com/friendsof-djs>

Click on 'DONATE' and follow the on-screen instructions. Donations can be given anonymously if you wish.

Via text:

Text **POOL22** and the amount (£1, £2, £3, £4, £5 or £10) to **70070**

There's no cost to you for sending the text and within 24 hours you'll receive confirmation by text to let you know the donation has been successful.

Alternatively you can send or deliver your donation in person to:

Drayton Junior School  
School Road,  
Drayton  
Norwich  
NR8 6EF

Ensure the envelope is marked 'Swimming Pool Appeal'. Please make any cheques payable to 'The Friends Of Drayton Junior School', as this is the charity that is handling donations.

For further information please go to:

<http://www.draytonjunior.norfolk.sch.uk>





## STARS OF THE WEEK



**Lucas Lyra 3C**

For a great start to 2016. Keep up the good listening and hard work!

**Eva Hailes 3C**

For gaining confidence with fractions in Maths. Well done!

**Kayleigh Lucas 3B**

For a good reading diary showing she has spent time reading over the holidays.

**Tyler Cook 3B**

For working hard to produce an animated character and background using Scratch in ICT

**Katy Youngman 3S**

For doing an incredible amount of reading during the school holidays including reading on Christmas Day!

**Harvey Bradford 3S**

For having lots of great ideas and enthusiasm during Science lessons.

**Kayleigh Wright 4S**

For creating a great recount of the story of Jesus's birth

**Connor Howard 4S**

For being a kind friend to others and having a great attitude towards school, keep it up!

**Lillie-Mae Durrant 4P**

For being a spectacular member of 4P, always helping her fellow peers and brightening up the classroom with her smile.

**Tegan Brickley 4P**

For always applying what she has learnt during English lessons.

**Tia Measures 5G**

For showing more confidence during lessons.

**Harry Harrison 5G**

For fabulous contributions during Science lessons.

**Leo Armstrong-Iginla 6J**

For sharing great ideas during RE lessons.

**Luke Hill 6J**

For working extra hard on his handwriting and being proud of the improvement he has made.

**Children's University:**

**Ammar Hameed and Amber Cresswell**

For talking so enthusiastically and eloquently to the new head of the National Children's University who made a special trip to White Woman Lane to hear how it works so well at our school. Thank you.

**William Clayton and Charlotte Beaumont**

For talking to the head of the National Children's University and explaining that you love Children's University so much because it 'Helps me learn new stuff!

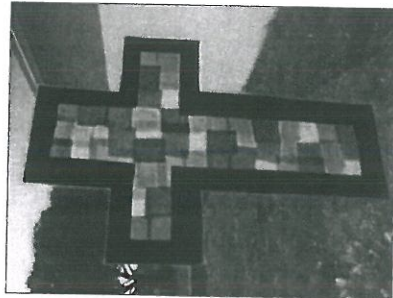
Brilliant!

## EASTER REVEALED

Ideal for KS1 & 2

Come on a special journey around the cathedral and meet the key characters from the Gospel story.

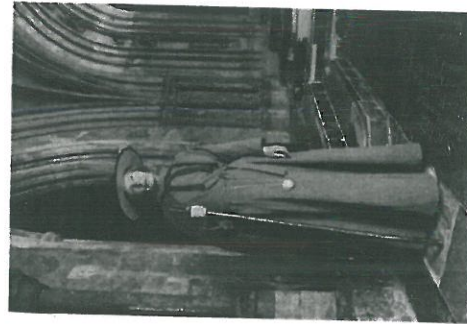
Enjoy an Easter craft activity too.



Call 01603 218320 to book places or email: [headofschools@cathedral.org.uk](mailto:headofschools@cathedral.org.uk)

**IN-SCHOOL OPTIONS.....let us come to you if you can't get here!**

- The BIG Labyrinth in your school hall (pilgrimage, discrimination, what others believe (world faiths)
- Pilgrimage and Monk's Life Days
- All about Christian worship & prayer
- Meet Matron Edith Cavell!
- Easter



## EDITH CAVELL REVEALED

For Yr. 2 and above

Come and meet your famous nursing heroine, discover her wonderful story of faith and service, includes a workshop about Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and comparing hospitals then and now. (*Links your NC history & R.E.*)



Take a look at our full brochure selection online: [www.cathedral.org.uk/learning/schoolvisits](http://www.cathedral.org.uk/learning/schoolvisits). Condensed 45/60 minute visits are also on offer as well as our usual half day/full day options.

**WORSHIP & BELIEF....LIFE OF A MONK... NORMANS....SIGNS & SYMBOLS....**

Look forward to working with you in 2016!

Janet Marshall, Head of Schools & Family Learning

# NORWICH CATHEDRAL

Schools & Family Learning Department

Welcome to the Spring term. There are lots of exciting things in store and we look forward to working with you.



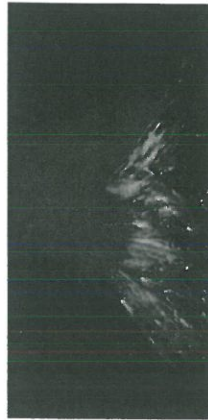
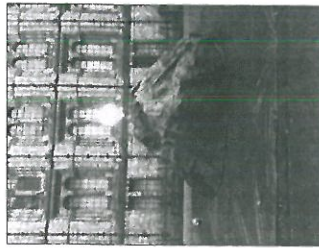
A Festival of Science at the Cathedral

6th—18th March



Why not book a FREE self-guided visit on a week day during our exciting festival? (unavailable on 8th, 10th, 16th March). **Please get in touch to book places.** We have a science trail to do around the cathedral, a huge erupting volcano in the grounds and a great exhibition!

To book places: contact Janet Marshall on 01603 218320 or e: [headofschools@cathedral.org.uk](mailto:headofschools@cathedral.org.uk)



**FAMILY DAY SATURDAY 12TH MARCH**

Meet a dalek, see a rocket fired, watch the Bishop walk on custard, come and do experiments and worship with us! A **GREAT DAY FOR ALL.** See website [www.cathedral.org.uk](http://www.cathedral.org.uk) for full brochure information. No need to book for this.



17-20 May we are hosting LIFE, a superb, interactive exhibition. Tents, hands on i pads, visuals and more to bring alive the full Bible story. A great way to kick start learning about what Christians believe for your R.E. Booking is essential, get in touch for more info!

See overleaf for more great visits!

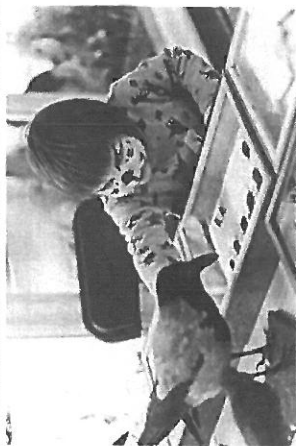


# News From Norfolk Museums

## RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch 30 & 31 January

The RSPB and Norwich Castle Museum welcome you to our ever-popular big family weekend.

With special admission rates for this fun-packed family day - children free of charge and adults only £2.00!

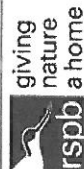


- \* make a bird feeder
- \* build a bird box
- \* make origami birds and dream catchers
- \* face painting
- \* find out how to get active at Strumpshaw Fen
- \* dress up like a dragonfly
- \* meet the curator
- \* explore the Norwich Castle's Bird and Natural History collections
- \* ...and much more!

**Saturday 30 January 10am – 4pm**  
**Sunday 31 January 1-4pm**  
**Adults £2. Free entry for children.**

**Some of the activities will be chargeable.**

Get involved with the Big Garden Birdwatch and find out how you can give nature a home in your garden. Be inspired to pull on your boots and explore the hidden places for wildlife on your doorstep!



Web: [www.museums.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.museums.norfolk.gov.uk)  
 Email: [museums@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:museums@norfolk.gov.uk)

# NORWICH CATHEDRAL



## FAMILY FUN DAY

**SATURDAY 12 MARCH 2016**

**10.30-3.30 FREE!**

### Lots of fun activities....

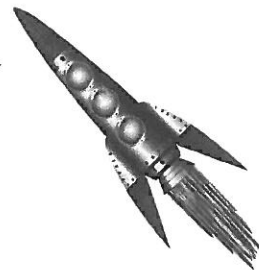
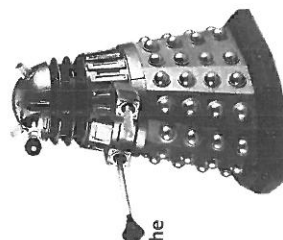
Watch the giant volcano erupt!

Meet a dalek and a walking mammoth!

Help launch a rocket in the cathedral!

Build an arch

Talk through a giant hosepipe telephone



Just turn up at the hostry entrance on the day.

No need to book.

If you need more information or details of other events during our science weeks 6-18 March take a look at the website: [www.cathedral.org.uk](http://www.cathedral.org.uk)

For schools' days contact Janet on: [headofschools@cathedral.org.uk](mailto:headofschools@cathedral.org.uk)

TEL: 01603 218320

**We look forward to seeing you!**



