



Learning Together for Life

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Dear Parents/Carers

Headteacher's Newsletter

Welcome back to the Summer term. We have lots of exciting things happening over the next few weeks and this newsletter will give you lots of information and key dates you need to know about for this term.

This is my first newsletter as the Executive Head Teacher of the Federation and I am very excited to be leading the schools on their next journey and working closely with all of you – lots of you have known me for many years! Please don't hesitate to call or email me if there is anything I can help you with.

Sun Safety

This term has started with some lovely weather for us to enjoy. If it is particularly hot, please send your child in with a sunhat; this will be especially important on P.E days. Staff cannot apply sun cream to children so it would be useful if long lasting sun cream was applied before the start of the school day. Our sun safety policy can be found here.

https://www.northwoldsfederation.co.uk/policies_85_673617450.pdf

Reception Starters 2025

We have been able to make offers for places to children starting school in September 2025. If you know of anyone who has moved to the area or has forgotten to apply, please ask them to contact us so we can help them.

Hot Meal Orders

Please remember to place your hot meal orders before midnight on the preceding Monday. This gives our kitchen team the notice they need to place their food order. Thanks for your help with this. Meals can be ordered on Wisepay.

[Follow this link to order meals for the rest of the term.](#)

Defeat The Sweet

We continue to participate in the Local Authority initiative to improve children's oral and physical health called "Defeat The Sweet." To meet these aims the school have agreed to meet the following pledges.

Defeat the sweet pledges

✓ We have a whole school food policy	✓ No food/drink rewards/treats offered
✓ Water/milk are the only permitted drinks	✓ We hold at least one assembly a year on healthy eating
✓ Our caterer limits sugar to 8g per dessert portion	✓ In cooking lessons we cook savoury dishes only
✓ We only allow fruit or vegetables at snack time	✓ We provide information to children/families about healthy eating
✓ Sweets and chocolate are not allowed in packed lunches	✓ We participate in National Smile Month

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Please remember we are (and have been for a long time) a **water and milk only school**. Please do not allow your children to bring fizzy drinks or squash to school. We will remind any children that are bringing squash into school that it is not allowed. Children will not be allowed to drink anything other than water or milk in school. As an inclusive school, if your child has a medical need that means they need drinks other than milk or water (for example high calorie supplements for malnutrition or drinks containing glucose because they are diabetic) please contact us to discuss this. This will not be extended to children that don't like water as that is a preference and not a special need.

As per our long standing lunch and breaktime snack policy, please can we remind you that your child **should not have chocolate or sweets** in their packed lunches; these will be taken off them and given back to you. One chocolate covered biscuit is allowed.

P.E Uniform

We have noticed recently that there has been an increase in children not wearing the recommended P.E. uniform on their P.E. days. It is important that your child wears the correct P.E uniform on their P.E days and not clothing with different logos. For P.E, children should wear:

- A blue or black tracksuit. (No designs or branded clothing please)
- Training shoes (Preferably dark)
- A house colour T-shirt

P.E uniform can be bought from our uniform supplier www.rasenuniform.co.uk or at most clothing stores or supermarkets. All children need to wear the correct P.E uniform. If affordability is an issue, please contact me directly so we can support you.

National Testing

Different year groups will be undertaking statutory tests during the Summer term; see below. It is important that children attend school all of the time but even more important they are in school for their tests. Please note that statutory tests for children in Year Two have been stopped however we will be carrying out in school assessments.

Test	Year Group	Date	Further Information
Key Stage Two National Curriculum Tests	Six	Week Beginning 12 th May 2025	Link to information on KS2 National Curriculum Tests.
Multiplication Tables Check	Four	Week beginning 2 nd June	Link to DFE parent information. This is a short multiplication tables check completed on computer. You will be given your child's score (out of 25) in their end of year report.
Phonics Screen	One	Week beginning 9 th June	Link to DFE parent information This is a short check administered by your child's teacher to see how well they have retained their phonics teaching. You will be given your child's score (Out of 40) in their end of year report.

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Sports Day

As you will see from the diary dates, our planned dates for Sports Day are:

Attempt 1 Friday 6th June 2025 9.15am start

Attempt 2 Wednesday 2nd July 2025 9.15am start

Lateness

Please can we remind you that your child needs to be in their line on the playground to come into school for 8.45am to start the school day. If they are arriving later, they are missing valuable time to academically and socially. Please let us know if you need any support regarding your child's lateness.

Key Dates

Important dates for your diary can be found below.

Friday 2 nd May	Termly reports shared with parents
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 8 th May	Bikeability – Kites Year 5
W/B Monday 12 th May	KS2 SATs week
W/B 19 th May	Bikeability – Ospreys / Eagles Year 5
Friday 23 rd May	End of Term 5
Monday 3 rd June	1 st day of Term 6
Friday 6 th June	Sports Day – First attempt
Wednesday 11 th June	Y3/4 trip to Woodside Wildlife
Wednesday 18 th June	Music Evening
Friday 20 th June	Colour Run after school (more details to follow!)
Thursday 26 th June	Reception 2025 Open Evening – 6.00pm
Tuesday 1 st July	KS2 Show – 2.00pm and 6.00pm
Wednesday 2 nd July	Sports Day – Second attempt
Monday 14 th July	Leavers' Disco
Friday 18 th July	Year 6 Leaver's Service – St. Thomas' Church
Tuesday 22 nd July	Year 6 Leaver's Service – School
Tuesday 22 nd July	End of Term 6

Kind Regards

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