

# **News Sheet**



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### **Another busy week - Inspiring Creative Learners**

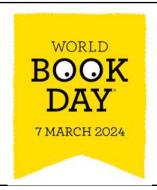
Well done for Cantley's **Key Stage 1 Team** for representing the school at the Year 1/2 football skills event. The event was held at Fairhaven Primary School on 15th February and all of the children had a lovely afternoon, supported by Mrs Buckley and parents.







'World Book Day' on Thursday 7th March. We are going to ask for everyone to come to school, dressed or representing a 'word' of their choice. Some examples are; 'flamboyant -you would wear bright/mismatched clothing, 'sleepy; you would wear your favourite lounge wear' or 'clumsy; come wearing bandages and plasters over your clothes'. Encourage your child to be as creative as possible, we want



as many different words as possible! This will be a fun activity and will support our vocabulary development within school.

On Tuesday, the School Council met to decide how they would like to support Comic Relief as a school this year on Friday 15th March.



#### Planned fundraising;

- ★ Name the teddy 50p to enter (there will not be a cake raffle on that day )
- ★ 3.30pm school cake/biscuit sale children to bring in morning cakes/biscuits to sell for donations. All money raised will go towards Comic Relief.
- ★ Donate to Comic Relief to tell a joke at school. Classes will have an opportunity for the children to share a pre planned joke to share with the class. More information to follow.

#### Snack/Break Time

Just a reminder that all **Springbok children** are supplied with a healthy snack (fruit or vegetable) for their morning snack so additional snacks for these ages may not be required. Vixen and Firefly class are welcome to bring in a healthy snack (below are some ideas).



- ★ Vegetable sticks such as celery, cucumber, peppers or carrot, a range of colour ensures different vitamins and minerals.
- ★ A piece of cheddar cheese or babybel
- ★ A piece of fresh or dried fruit, high in soluble fibre and vitamins would also be a great snack- pineapple, mango, kiwi, plain raisins, apricots, blueberries, banana slices.
- ★ Bread sticks, plain pretzels, banana bread, malt loaf, oat/rice cakes and small pitta breads are also good snacks, providing children with carbohydrate to sustain them in-between meals.
- ★ Homemade snack flapjacks or other oat/whole grain based snack.

These must be nut free. Items brought into school should be carefully checked by you, to ensure this.

We are aiming for a common-sense approach, with the key being to keep it healthy and no chocolate, sweets or crisps.

Cantley School Association presents our weekly Cake Raffle!

We are looking for volunteers to either purchase or bake some yummy goodies to support us.

If this is something you might be interested in please email office-cantley@coastaltogether.co.uk or speak to Miss Tooley on the gate.

Thank you for your continued support!



# Keeping Safe Online

We've had many children talk about gaming and communicating online so we thought this was a good opportunity to remind parents/carers about online safety.



- ➤ Age restrictions; Because of its frequent scenes of mild violence, Fortnite is rated 12+ by PEGI. Violence is cartoonish, but some characters and scenes might disturb younger players.
- ➤ Unmoderated chat; Fortnite's Battle Royale mode has an unmoderated chat functionality in which players are open to communications, either by voice or on-screen, from anyone they are playing with. Just like other games with chat functions, children may be at risk of exposure to inappropriate language and bullying.
- ➤ Excessive playing; In the wake of the vast popularity of Fortnite averaging around 80 million active monthly users there have been several reports calling it addictive for children and claiming that the game induces competition-related rage.



## THINKING BEFORE SHARING

Help your child to understand why it's important to stop and think before posting or forwarding something on WhatsApp. It's easy – and all too common – for content to then be shared more widely (even publicly on social media). Encourage your child to consider how an ill-judged message might damage their reputation or upset a friend who sent something to them in confidence.



# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SINGLE PORT 13+

Snapchat is an instant messaging app which allows users to send images, videos and texts to people in their friends list. One of Snapchat's unique features is that pictures and messages 'disappear' 24 hours after they've been viewed; however, this content isn't as temporary as many believe – with some users saving screenshots or using another device to take a photo of their screen. This year, Snapchat added 'My Al': a customisable chatbot with which people can chat and share secrets, as well as asking for advice and suggestions of places to visit.

- ★ Last year all pupils, staff and parents had the opportunity to attend 'The Two Johns' E-Safety awareness.
- ★ Please visit 'The Two Johns' website for useful information and resources <a href="https://esafetytraining.org/">https://esafetytraining.org/</a>
  - ★ The NSPCC also provides advice and guidance for parents regarding Online Safety.

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/talking-child-online-safety/

★ If you would like any further information or to speak further please come and see Miss Kingman or Mrs Daisley.

# Spread the Cantley word.....





We would really appreciate you sharing these pages with your friends and families to get our school some more followers.

Cantley Primary School Facebook Page



Puffin Preschool Facebook Page

#### **Puffin**

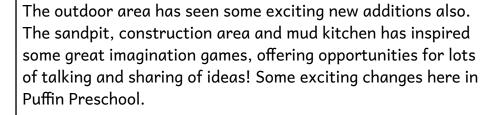
A great first week back after half term, whilst it's still been a bit chilly we have seen some outbreaks of sunshine and some signs that Spring is on the way! Our puffins were quick to notice the beautiful daffodils, we spoke about the different features of the flower, next week we might even have a go at painting some beautiful daffodils.





The children have enjoyed exploring the new learning zones we have created. If I do say so myself, preschool is looking even more fabulous and offers the children countless opportunities to explore, discover and learn. The new science area is a popular one, using magnifying glasses to inspect insects and shells is definitely a puffins favourite. Using the magnets around the room to see what they connect to has certainly been fascinating as well!













Our Puffins are still excited about our Monster Phonics friends now we've met them all, the children are eager to immerse them within their play. Our pre-reception children have been super busy continuing on with the different aspects and even doing some name practising!







#### Springbok

We have had a lovely start to the second half of Spring Term in Springbok Class. We have enjoyed welcoming a new year 1 pupil into Springbok Class and all of the children have shown fantastic friendship skills, showing our new member of the class where all of the equipment is in the classroom and playing games together on the playground!

Year 1 and 2 have started a unit of work about non-chronological reports. We have been thinking about the different features of a non-chronological report and how these are used in this type of writing. Our focus is a text called Wombat which links to our Way Down Under topic theme. We have also been learning about money in maths and also in our Personal Development lessons. We have been thinking about how money can be earned and also how it can be spent or saved, as well as identifying the value of different coins and notes and how these values can be added together.

Year R pupils have enjoyed taking part in dough disco sessions this week and also using some of the new science equipment in the classroom - including a range of magnets and bug collection pots. They have continued to contribute ideas towards whole group stories and have continued to learn phonics through the use of the Monster Phonics scheme of work, along with using tens grids within maths lessons.

All of the children have enjoyed learning about colour mixing in Art and have been creating some beautiful flowers for the classroom using water colour paints and thinking about the artist Georgia O'Keeffe.



We have also enjoyed using the new metal detector in Springbok Class and investigating if we can find any treasure on the school field! We will continue to enjoy using this throughout the Spring and Summer term!





It has been lovely to see children completing the homework tasks which were set at the beginning of term. Do please keep sending in homework completed as children will earn house points for their team for all pieces created!

#### Vixen

We've had a wonderful first week back in Vixen after half term!

In English, where we have been doing our poetry week where we have been looking at the rap 'Grandma, can you rap?'. On Monday, we spent some time listening to different raps from Michael Rosen to Will Smith to rap about apostrophes, we saw quite a variety. On Tuesday, we analysed the rhyme scheme of our focus poem and diligently counted the syllables. For the remainder of the week, we have written our own poems based on 'Grandma, can you rap?'. Some of them were very funny and they have made a great read.

We have also been learning about money and budgeting in PSHE. Firstly, we learnt about how items can have sentimental value as well as monetary value. Then, we had some fun planning a birthday party by picking our party essentials and working out if it was in our budget. We encountered a few problems such as buying hot dog buns but no hot dogs but Vixen managed to each come up with a list all under budget.

Vixen have also been hard at work learning their times tables. They have now learnt their 3,4,6,8 and 9 times tables in addition to the 2,5 and 10 that they learnt in Y2. Please ensure your child is practising on TTRS. They may have been set a specific times table that they need to practise.



## Firefly

Welcome back Firefly Class! We've pushed past the halfway point of the year and started this half term with a full-on week of learning.

Year 5 and 6 have been exploring rap as a form of poetry this week, inspired by 'Grandma can you rap?' and 'The Lorax'. It has been brilliant to see them use their music skills to support their amazing writing.

Year 6 has continued to focus on properties of numbers connected to multiplication and division, exploring factors, multiples and square numbers this week.

In our topic lessons, we have explored our PSHE and RE themes for the half term. In PSHE we have looked at Money Sense and finance; we have learned how we

can borrow money and how to earn money through enterprise. Firefly found lots of ways to creatively problem solve when making their washing machine businesses work!



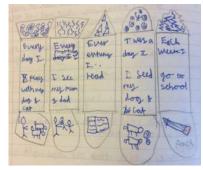






In RE, we have answered the question 'How do Muslims express commitment to their religion in different ways?'. We learned about the different routines and commitments Mulsims make every day and during the important period of Ramadan. We even thought of some of the commitments we make, in line with the Five Pillars of Islam.







In PE we have returned to netball, focussing on the ways to stop as we catch the ball. As the weather gets warmer and our bodies are changing, children are more than welcome to bring roll-on or stick deodorants in their PE kits for the end of the lesson.

Homework still remains as an important part of our learning, so please make sure your Firefly is continuing to access TTRS and completing their handwriting homework.

I really look forward to this half term and the progress we will see!

# Useful websites, telephone numbers and information

#### Acle Foodbank

Acle Food bank has a freephone number now which is 0800 774 7286. Messages can be left on this number and we will get back to the caller a.s.a.p.

For donations; The Foodbank box is in the lobby of the Methodist Church, Bridewell Lane, Acle and donations can be left here any time the church / hall is open.

Useful items would be rice (long grain or microwaveable), tinned tomatoes, pasta sauce, soap, shower gel.

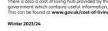
If you are in need of support or cannot access essential items, please call 01508 533933, Monday to Friday 08:15 - 17:00 and Saturday and Sunday 10:00 - 16:00.

If you are a Broadland resident and need financial support please call 01508 533933, Monday to Friday 08:15 - 17:00.

**Help with Living Costs** - Winter 2023/24 Norfolk Assistance Scheme can help you get support and financial assistance for food, energy, water, and other household essentials including white goods.

https://csapps.norfolk.gov.uk/csshared/ecourier2/fileoutput.asp?id=54504







# Domestic abuse helpline 0300 561 0077

<u>adviceandsupport@leewaynwa.org.uk</u>

https://www.leewaysupport.org/





# Just One Number 0300 300 0123

https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/

Just One Number & Parentline

Just One Number 0300 300 0123 Just One Number is our single point of access for Norfolk & Waveney. People can get in touch with Just One Number by calling 0300 300 0123. Your call might be any parenting questions or concerns.

# Attendance/Safeguarding

Attendance target set by the government = 96.6%

Current updated Cantley Primary School attendance this term to date = 92.41%



We are delighted to announce that at the end of the Summer Term one lucky child with good - 98% or above - attendance for the term will be picked at random to win a Kindle tablet which will be theirs to keep!

The class with the highest attendance for the past fortnight was Springbok 95.24%.



#### PLEASE ensure that all holidays are taken during the designated holiday time.

#### Holidays During Term Time

All in-term holiday requests will be classed as unauthorised absences. This will likely result in a fixed penalty notice being issued from Norfolk County Council.

In Norfolk, penalty notices are issued in accordance with the Norfolk Local Protocol. In all cases a penalty notice can only be issued if the pupil has accrued at least 9 sessions (4.5 school days) of unauthorised absence within the previous 6 school weeks. This would result in a fine of £60 per child per parent ie; for a family with 2 children this would total £240

The leaflet below has more information about fixed penalty notices. <u>Fixed Penalty Notices</u>



Please see Term and holiday dates for 2023/24 and 2024/25 at the bottom of this News Sheet

Date	Time	Event
Monday 26th February	8.45am	Return to School after Half Term
Thursday 7th March	All Day	World Book Day
Friday 15 March 2024	All Day	Comic Relief ; Do Something Funny for Money. School Council to decide activities - more information to follow.
Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th March	First app 3:40 Last app 5:30	Face to Face Parents Evenings (all classes)
28th March	All day	CSA Non-school uniform day
29th March -12th April		Easter Break
Monday 15th April	8.45am	Return to School after the Easter Break
Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May		Year 6 SATS
Tuesday 21st May - 2nd July	am	Years 5 & 6 Swimming at Broadland High School - every Tuesday for 6 weeks
ТВС	All Day	Springbok School Trip
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Thursday 13th June		School Photographer - Class groups and Year 6 Leavers



Norfolk County Council 2023-2024 Coastal Together

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