



# News Sheet



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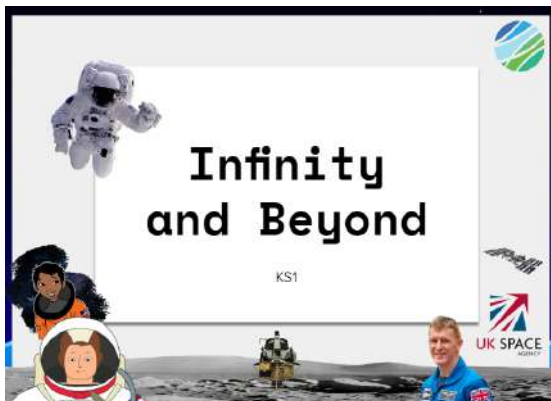
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**Another busy week - Inspiring Creative Learners**

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of the Spring Term already, time really does fly when you are having fun!



The Teachers have all completed their Federation Planning Days this last two weeks and have prepared an exciting curriculum ready for when the children return for the Summer Term. Springbok Class are going to 'Infinity and Beyond' and KS2 will be learning all about the 'Ancient Greeks'.



Thank you for supporting your children this last term, have a safe Easter break and we look forward to seeing you back on Monday 15th April.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Daisley (Head of School)

'Inspiring Creative Learners.'

## News Sheets and the Future!

Moving forward during the Summer Term we will be moving away from our fortnightly News Sheets to more regular information and celebrations of learning on Facebook. Of course letters, emails and text messages will continue to be our main source of communication. We would encourage you to share these Facebook posts and help us show the great things we do in Cantley for all to see.

## Truffle the Reading Dog

On Monday Truffle our School Reading Dog came for her first session to listen to some of our fabulous children read. Truffle will come to visit approximately every three weeks and eventually, all of our children will spend some time with Truffle. Truffle joined our Assembly on Monday and his owner talked about the Do's and Don'ts when approaching and being around a dog.



## Reading Rewards

After Easter every class will be re-introducing Reading Incentives to their class. The children have been part of the decision making for this and have contributed ideas that we are going to be using.

## **Bikeability**

A massive well done to our group of children from Firefly Class for their fabulous listening and following instructions during Bikeability this week.

Enjoy your safe cycling Children!

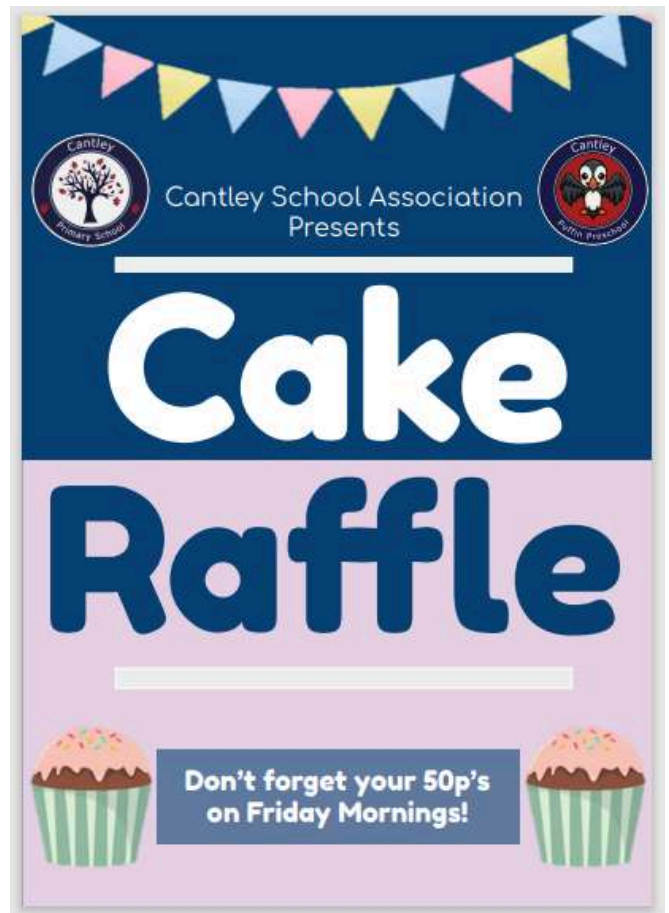


Cantley School Association presents our  
weekly Cake Raffle!

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](mailto: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.

### 'VIEW ONCE' CONTENT

The facility to send images or messages that can only be viewed once has led to some WhatsApp users sharing inappropriate images or abusive texts, knowing that the recipient can't re-open them later to use as evidence of misconduct. People used to be able to screenshot this 'disappearing' content – but a recently added WhatsApp feature now blocks this, citing increased

## What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

# SNAPCHAT

AGE RESTRICTION  
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 AI': 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 <https://esafetytraining.org/>
- ★ 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.



## Puffin

The last week of the Spring term has been a lovely one, the children have been super excited about Easter. The Easter crafts have been in full swing, with lots of decorated bunnies and eggs, allowing our puffins to be expressive and experimental through their creative decisions. Look at how wonderful they came out!

We were lucky enough to enjoy an Easter Egg hunt on Thursday afternoon alongside the rest of the school.



In Monster Phonics, we have enjoyed looking at Cool Blue over the last couple of weeks, he certainly is a Puffins favourite. Cool Blue works at the zoo, lives in a moon shaped house and likes to DJ. Ask your child what sound he makes and see if they remember!

As always, thank you for your continued support and we look forward to welcoming you back in the Summer term. Have a safe and happy Easter break!

## Springbok

Over the past two weeks, Year 1 and 2 have been learning about fractions in Springbok Class. We have been thinking about the words numerator and denominator and have also learnt about halves, quarters and thirds.

Year R have been revisiting their maths topics from this term and have been using their knowledge to answer questions based on number and shape.

In English, Year 1 and 2 have started the story of The Koala Who Could. The children have been thinking about the name they would give to a koala and also thinking about why a koala may want to stay in their tree! They have also enjoyed looking at real life koalas by watching the Edinburgh Zoo cameras.

As part of topic work, all of the children have created their own clay sculptures. They have thought about different Australian animals and this week they will be painting their sculptures and Year 1 and 2 will be photographing their sculptures, thinking about the importance of lighting when taking a photograph.

We have also been thinking about the Great Barrier Reef and the different colours which we may see under the sea. We have talked about how to create tints and shades using different colours and have thought about the work of Melanie Hava and her painting A Reef Wonderland (see picture below).



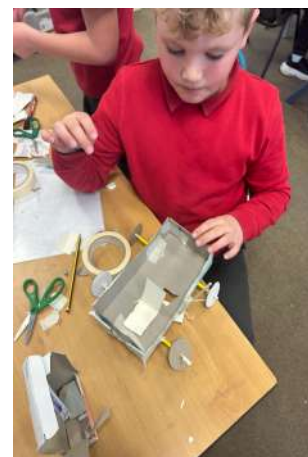
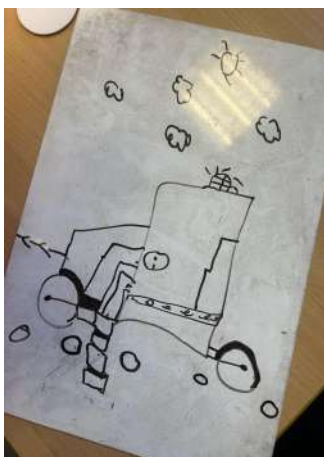
On Thursday this week we are all looking forward to taking part in an Easter Egg hunt!



## Vixen

In English, we have been looking at persuasive writing with a focus on adverts. In our sentence stacking lessons, we wrote an advert for the 'Stroodle' which is a wheat straw. We've had a lot of fun understanding the tone of this type of writing. The class have come up with loads of amazing rhetorical questions and used some brilliant adjectives. For their long independent write, they designed and advertised a reusable water bottle. This linked really well with our 'Guardians of the planet' topic and they show brilliant understanding of the impact of plastic pollution.

A highlight of Vixen's last two weeks has got to be DT where they made planting machines in pairs. When they designed their machine, they had to think about how it would work and evenly place each seed.



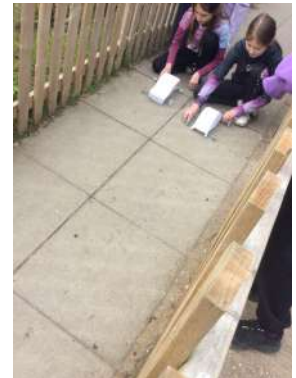
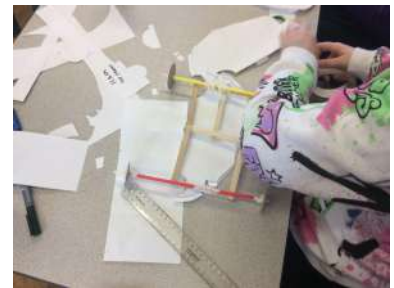
## Firefly

It has been a phenomenal final fortnight in Firefly Class!

Last week, we focussed on non-chronological reports, inspired by the movie Avatar. Year 6 did an incredible job using a formal and scientific register. We then explored character description this week, using JRR Tolkien's *The Hobbit* as our reference. We will continue this next half term.

In Maths we have made some amazing progress when learning about fractions and can now confidently add/subtract using them.

In Topic lessons, we have concluded our Guardians of the Planet theme by creating our own videocasts and cars. We used our knowledge of air resistance to design cars that conserved energy and tested each in a race tournament. Congrats on the winning car Poppy!



In PE we have continued to look at netball, focussing on shooting with accuracy. Firefly have worked hard to achieve a high throw to reach the net.



**Over the Easter Holiday, homework has been sent home. Please encourage your children to continue to work on these independently, but to also take this time to relax (especially our Year 6s that might be eager to prepare for SATs).**

**I hope you all have a wonderful Easter Break and look forward to seeing you next term.**



# 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/cssshared/ecourier2/fileoutput.asp?id=54504>



**Domestic abuse helpline 0300 561 0077**

[adviceandsupport@leewaynwa.org.uk](mailto:adviceandsupport@leewaynwa.org.uk)

<https://www.leewaynsupport.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 = 92.28%



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 94.63%.



**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.

[Fixed Penalty Notices](#)



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

Date	Time	Event
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
Wednesday 11th June 9-10.30	am	Maths Parents Workshop
Wednesday 19th June	pm	Year 6 planned and lead Sports Day
TBC	All Day	Springbok School Trip
TBC	All Day	CSA charity Penny tower making
Thursday 13th June		School Photographer - Class groups and Year 6 Leavers
Monday 15th - Friday 19th July		Isle of Wight Residential Trip - Year 6





This calendar applies to community schools, community special schools, VC schools and nursery schools and sets the days on which school transport will be provided. While most Foundation, VA, foundation special, free schools and academy trusts who are able to set their own dates, adopt the Norfolk Model, we advise you to check with your child's school before making holiday or other commitments.

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= Staff Training Days (The remaining 2 Inset Days will be disaggregated into 6 Twilights, 1 per Half Term)



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