

## Snettisham Primary School March 2022



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#### Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing this on the anniversary of the first lockdown. It's a beautiful day and pupils are enjoying learning together, having freedom and fun. The pupils across the school continue to make good progress and make us proud even after the difficulties of the past two years.

This term we have celebrated success in many ways. We have had pupils performing at the Literacy Festival at the Corn Exchange in Lynn and another group played instruments at Gaywood Primary.

We continue to deliver our knowledge rich curriculum across year groups and provide enrichment activities and clubs after school to make sure every pupil can shine. If you want your child to experience one of our clubs or special events but haven't yet been able to manage this then please do get in touch. It's important to us to give every child opportunities to shine. You can also reach Teresa/Emma or Alison (SEND and Pastoral Team) via the office for any advice or support to help you and your child. Just get in touch and we will get back to you!

We wish to prepare our year 6 students for next summer term by asking that you continue to support your children at home for the SATs week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> May, and we encourage all year 6's to come to booster classes with Mrs. Enters.

Year 6 pupils should not take a holiday during the first two weeks of May as this month is crucial for Statutory Assessments. The data is not published this year but high schools use SATs to arrange classes for Year 7 so these outcomes will help your child on their life journey.

Finally a huge goodbye and good luck to Miss Smith and Mrs Parton who are leaving us. We will miss them both and wish them well for the future.

## Louise Jackson & Emma Hunt

## LUNCHTIME CO

## Lunch Menu

The summer menu is on our website. Vegan, Gluten/Dairy/Egg-free versions available on request. <u>https://www.heachamjunior.co.uk</u>

Not bookable online

#### West Norfolk Academies Trust

#### Term Dates:

Please note that our term dates are not the same as those published by Norfolk County Council. Please see our website for further information.

## Last day of Term is Fri 01/04/22. Children return on Wed 20/04/22.

## **Our Learning**

### **Birch Class**

Birch Class have continued to work incredibly hard this half term. Highlights have been learning to sew a variety of stitches for Victorian samplers in DT, witnessing three children take part in the Trust public speaking event at the Corn Exchange, swimming for the first time in 3 years and our two sessions of cricket. We have really enjoyed learning about the Abolition of Slavery and especially two East Anglian based abolitionists – Thomas Clarkson and Amelia Opie. Learning about forces in Science has led to all sorts of fun whilst using technical vocabulary such as fulcrum, air resistance, balanced forces, independent and controlled variables. It is amazing looking back on how much we have packed into 5 weeks and all with the welcome arrival of Spring too!



#### Ash Class

Ash Class had a wonderful time learning all about Science to celebrate National Science Week. Students from Smithdon High School came to class and conducted some experiments alongside Ash Class children. The children really enjoyed it, this is what some of the children had to say about it:

Aflie –" This is the best day ever as Science was so fun and we got to work as a team for some parts"

Riley M - I liked the Gummy Bear one. We put one in water and one in salt. If you put one it water it grows but one in salt shrinks.

Joey – "I liked the one where we looked through the microscope. We saw moving bugs in moss.

Noah – "We got some baking soda, vinegar with added food colouring, then poured the liquid into the baking soda and then it made a chemical reaction"



#### Oak Class

Oak class has, once again, been very busy this half term. In English the children have been learning how to write a Quest story, thinking about a character going on an exciting journey! In maths Year 2 have been looking at the fractions, half, quarter and a third. Year 1 have continued to practise their number facts to 20 and learn about measuring length, mass and volume.

In Science we have been learning all about how to protect our planet. The children are all very keen to refuse, reduce, reuse and recycle and have even written letters to Ms Jackson to stop using polystyrene lunch boxes in school! In DT we have been learning about architecture and the purpose of different buildings. We went on a visit to the church to look at the arches, stained glass windows, pillars and gargoyles. They even had a go at making their own gargoyle.

In History the children have been finding out about Kings and Queens. They have learnt about King John and the Magna Carta, King Henry III and the Battle of Lewes and how he was captured by Simon de Montford, how King Charles I was executed and how England became a commonwealth with Oliver Cromwell as the Lord Protector. They don't think too kindly of Oliver Cromwell!!

The children continue to work hard and the progress the children are making makes the Oak team feel very proud.

Oak wishes you all a very Happy Easter and we look forward to even more fantastic learning in the Summer Term.



## Our Learning (cont'd)

#### Willow Class

This half term has been all about 'Air, Land & Sea' in Willow class. The children have loved learning about different kinds of transport, why the lifeboats are important, all about watercraft and how we can travel through the air! We have been lucky enough to have a visit from the Lifeboard to talk to us about water safety and a music and movement session on '999 what's your emergency'! We have enjoyed learning our new story 'The Enormous Turnip' and even ,ade our own veg soup! The children loved innovating the story and changing it to 'The Enormous Watermelon'! In maths we have been learning our number bonds to 10, doubles, 2D and 3D shapes.





## 2021/2022

Every Tues/Wed – Y6 Booster Drop-in 8.15am FOC Every Wednesday – Swimming/Music Tuition

01/04/22 – Ukraine Appeal (Non-Uniform £1+) 04/04/22 – Easter Holiday (children return 20/4/22) 29/04/22 – Y6 Crucial Crew Trip 09/05/22 – SATS week 18/05/22 – Y5/6 Kingswood 3-day Residential Trip 30/05/22 – Half-Term (children return 6/6/22) 06/07/22 – Day to Create – Artsmark 18/07/22 – Dance Festival Rehearsal & Performance 21/07/22 – End of term **\*No spectators permitted** 

#### Term dates for 2022-23 can be found on our website.

#### Term Dates 2022-2023 Trust Primary Schools

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**Twitter** Please follow us on twitter as we are using that social media platform more regularly than facebook



Snettisham, Heacham Infant and Junior \_WNAT @heachamjunior

## Health Support & Advice for children and young people https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/ 0300 300 0123

This is a very helpful service provided by NHS and Norfolk Children's Services. If you need help and support with anything from child anxiety to pregnancy, child development and additional needs, Covid FAQ. Please visit the website or give them a call for support.

# Coronavirus (COVID-19)

While you're no longer required by law to self-isolate if you have COVID-19, the Government still recommends that you stay at home and avoid contact with other people. This helps reduce the chance of passing it on to others.

The school continues to encourage thorough hand washing and follows the guidelines laid out by Public Health England for schools.

For further information please visit: https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/02/21/whatthelatest-advice-on-testing-and-self-isolation-means-foreducation-settings/ If you have a matter you wish to discuss with our Headteacher Ms Jackson, or our Deputy Head, Mrs Hunt, please make an appointment with Mrs Bridge in the school office and we will be very happy to chat to you. We want everyone to feel welcome in our school and also to ensure that the children's safety, learning and happiness are always our priority. ©

## End of Free School Meal Vouchers

To support children and families at the height of the Covid pandemic, the government provided additional funding to local authorities, this was primarily used in Norfolk to fund free school meal vouchers, for eligible children, during the school holidays. The fund was a one-off grant to bridge the gap between the end of furlough and the Universal Credit top-up and to give extra support to those facing significant hardship, as the economy began to recover from the pandemic. That funding has now come to an end, meaning that we are unable to provide free school meal vouchers over the upcoming two-week break. We would always encourage any parents who might need extra help to contact NCC on 0344 800 8020, so that they can help ensure that you are getting the support that you need.

### Have your circumstances changed recently?

You may be eligible for Free School Meals.

The school receives funding for each child who comes under Pupil Premium (including free school meals), so it is worth applying even if you don't have school meals!! You can apply online

<u>https://fiso.norfolk.gov.uk/synergy/Enquiries/Citizen/FreeSchoolMeals.aspx/</u>

https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-andmilk?fbclid=IwAR181hWbnsrWnVeC-KZ31j-HfjFmGLwKL7zsv9QVbkEfY1uKETvz0cDSIcQ

Don't forget to let us know if any of your contact numbers or addresses change during the holidays. Please inform the school, (<u>office@snettishamprimary.co.uk</u>) if your emergency contact information changes or if either parent moves house or changes phone numbers. It is very important that we are able to contact someone in case of an emergency.

## <u>Welcome</u>



**Miss Rule** has joined our 3 schools, Heacham Infants, Juniors and Snettisham, for a newly created role of Pastoral Support Officer. She will be supporting our children with their social, emotional and behavioural wellbeing.

## **READING CHALLENGE**

Name: Class:	Can you r type of b	oks to r 2022 ead one of ook? ox, write t	A book you like the front cover of:	A book with a female main character:	
A book written by a BAME (black, Asian and minority ethnic) author:	of the bo A funny book:	ok you hav A short story:	Ve read. A book connected to a school value:	A book a family member remembers:	A book with an evil character:
A book set in the past:	A non-fiction book:	A poetry book:	A book written before you were born:	A picture book:	A fantasy book:
A book with a one word title:	A book and its sequel:	A book set in the future:	A book you can relate to:	A book set in another country:	A book you would recommend to your teacher:







Find the hidden words below.



Easter Bunny Chick Tulip Flower Basket Egg Dye Hunt Spring

## **Easy Hot Cross Buns**



#### Ingredients

#### Method

For the buns	Step 1	Tip the flour into a bowl and stir in the salt, mixed spice and					
500g strong white bread flour		sugar.					
1/2 tsp salt	Step 2	Rub in the butter with your fingertips. Stir in the dried fruit, then sprinkle over the yeast and stir in. Gently warm the milk so it is hot, but still cool enough to put your finger in for a couple of					
2 heaped tsp mixed spice							
50g caster sugar		seconds. Beat with the eggs, then pour into the dried ingredients					
50g butter , chopped into cubes	Step 3	Using a blunt knife, mix the ingredients to a moist dough, then					
200g mixed dried fruit		leave to soak for 5 mins. Take out of the bowl and cut the doug into 8 equal pieces.					
7g sachet easy-blend dried yeast		nito o equal pieces.					
200ml milk	Step 4	Shape the dough into buns on a floured surface. Space apart or baking sheet, cover loosely with cling film, then leave in a warm					
2 eggs		place until half again in size. This will take 45 mins-1 hr 15 min					
For the crosses & glaze		depending on how warm the room is.					
3 tbsp plain flour	Step 5	When the buns are risen, heat oven to 220C/fan 200C/gas 7. Mix the flour with 2 tbsp water to make a paste. Pour into a plastic food bag and make a nick in one of the corners. Pipe crosses on top of each bun.					
honey or golden syrup, for brushing							
	Step 6	Bake for 12-15 mins until risen and golden. Trim the excess cross					

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  - 12-15 mins until risen and golden. Trim the excess cross mixture from the buns , then brush all over with honey or golden syrup. The buns will keep fresh for a day. After that they are best toasted and served with butter.

## Happy Baking!