



## Newsletter Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Our school value for next half-term is:

**Honesty**

Honesty means we are truthful in what we say and do. It means people can rely on us because we have integrity.  
Honesty is the basis of a trusting relationship.

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It is hard to believe the term is coming to an end, but with so much still going on at school I can assure you, we will be busy!

The children have all worked exceptionally hard since coming back to school in September and I cannot wait to see how they progress as the school year continues. We are looking forward to seeing you at parent's evening next week so we can share their successes. If you have not yet booked your slot, please do so via Arbor.

As the Christmas break approaches, there are many exciting activities and events for both the children and adults alike. Do have a look through the diary dates to make sure nothing is missed!

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Many thanks

Mrs Davenport  
Senior Teacher

### Reception Intake 2025 Deadline

Do not forget you need to have applied for reception places for the next academic year by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025. If you know of anyone who is still looking for place for their child for the next academic year, please do get them to contact us so we can arrange a tour of the school.



### Children in Need

We would like to say a massive thank you to all those that helped support Children in Need. The day was a big success as everyone put on their spotty or yellow clothes to raise awareness and money for this fantastic charity.

We raised **£48** – thank you everyone!



### Parents Evening

Remember we have got parent's evenings next week. If you have not done so already, please book your appointment with your child's teacher on Arbor.

### Hippodrome

We have our whole school trip to the Hippodrome coming up and are very excited about taking the children there. Please remember your child will need pack lunches or you can pre-order school packed lunch via Arbor. Children are required to wear school uniform on this day. Drop off and pick up times are the same as any other day at school.



### Christmas Shopping Bizarre

The children will have the opportunity to purchase some gifts that will be wrapped up at school and sent home for them to pass onto their loved ones. If you have anything you can donate to enable this event, please can you bring them into school. The shopping day will be on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December. More details on this to follow.



### Last Day of Term

We have an exciting day planned for the last day of term. Firstly, parents are invited to join their child's class for some Christmas activities. Please come by between 8.50am-10am. The children will have their class parties between break and lunch. There is no need to bring any food or snacks for this, we will have a few nibbles here for them. Remember, children are to be collected at 1pm on this day.



# Happy Birthday



The following pupils celebrated their birthday during the month of **November**

Happy Birthday to You!

**Ayla (YR) Elsie (YR) Lewis (Y3) Agnes (Y4)**

The following pupils celebrated their birthday during the month of **December**

Happy Birthday to You!

**Eadie (Y1) Reggie (Y2) Sinead (Y3) Keira (Y4) Nicole (Y4)**

## Diary Dates – Autumn Term 2024



*Please bear in mind that occasionally trips maybe arranged or cancelled last minute. This can happen for any number of reasons and we try, where possible, to give as much notice as we can. We also will often need adult volunteers to support on these trips. Thank you!*

<b>December 2024</b>	
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Friends of Antingham – Christmas Fayre -Southrepps Village Hall – 11.00am-3.00pm
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Parents evening – 3.30pm to 5.00pm
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Second Session - Flu Vaccination Programme with Norfolk Immunisation Team – for children who missed the first session.
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Bring performance costumes to school
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Parents evening 3.30pm tp 6.00pm
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas Production - 9.30am
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas Production - 2.00pm
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 & Year R National Child Measurement Programme with School Nursing Team
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Whole School visit to the Hippodrome Circus, Great Yarmouth
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Shopping Bizarre - Event by Friends of Antingham
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day & Class Parties (parents invited)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of term – children finish at 1pm
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December to Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

<b>January 2025</b>	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Children return to school for the Spring Term 2025

# 2024-2025

Please note that these dates differ slightly to the holiday dates of some neighbouring schools.

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Key: White dates - Schools open to pupils  
 Yellow dates - Pupil holidays  
 Red dates - Bank holidays  
 Blue dates - Staff training days

Staff training days are the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025 and 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025. The training day on 23<sup>rd</sup> July will be disaggregated over twilights throughout the year and schools may also choose to use twilight hours for other staff training days.





### What have we been learning?

**Henri Matisse Class** - The children in Henri Matisse Class, have done a super job with their learning this half term. We have been exploring our topic called 'Once Upon a Time', where we have been reading classic fairy tales like 'Cinderella', 'The Three Little Pigs', 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears', 'Little Red Riding Hood', 'Three Billy Goats Gruff' and 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. They have retold, reenacted, created story maps and 'Wanted!' posters of the Big Bad Wolf, alongside lots of play. We have been doing 'Dough Disco' every morning to strengthen our hands for writing skills and outdoor play to develop our muscles and coordination.

One highlight was when we learned about the wellie boot throwing festival in New Zealand from our 'Pathways to Reading' book called, 'Festivals!'. The children and I decided to hold our own wellie boot 'wangling' contest, where the children all participated in taking turns at throwing their own wellies to see whose could go the farthest!

We continue to go weekly to Bushcraft sessions, where the children have found lots of wiggly worms under logs, a small newt, a frog, noticed changes in the leaves and trees and gathered leaves and seeds to create their own 'Leaf Men' back in class, alongside the story by Lois Elhert.



**Georgia O’Keeffe Class** - We have been very busy this term at Georgia O’Keeffe’s class. In English, we have been travelling through London, learning about its landmarks to create a fact file. In Maths, years 1 and 2 have been exploring 2D and 3D shapes, while Year 3 worked very hard with multiplication and division. We have pushed ourselves artistically, designing sheds in D&T, as well as developing our portrait skills in Art. In Science we are learning about the human body, connecting our learning to PSHE and how to have a healthy body and a healthy mind. Not to mention our deep dive into the festive season. The children have been working hard on our Christmas play, rehearsing every day, singing beautifully. Bring on the Christmas spirit. I would love to take this opportunity to thank all my parents and carers for your care and support during my time in class. I will really miss the children’s little faces next year. It has been a joy to get to know them all this year. I wish you all a lovely and restful Christmas holiday.



**Takashi Murakami Class** - The children in Takashi Murakami class have continued to work well this half term. Our core text in English has been ‘Greek Myths’ by Jean Menzies. We have enjoyed reading different myths and using these to inspire the children to write their own adventure. We have been continuing to read ‘Pig Heart Boy’ by Maloire Blackman as our class read. Everyone has been working hard in their maths where we have moved onto looking at multiplication and fractions. In history, we have continued to explore Ancient African Empires and Kingdoms and have been conducting lots of research around this. The learning has taken the children on a journey of the African Slave Trade where they have explored what the slaves would have experienced at this time. Science has been extremely interesting where we have been looking at heart rate and how exercise can affect this. PE has been lots of fun learning gymnastics and it has been great to see their confidence in the water in swimming. The year 4’s had a great afternoon at Gresham Prep where they enjoyed a Design and Technology session making their own keyrings. Finally, the rehearsals for the Christmas production have been in full swing and we cannot wait to show you all their hard work in remembering lines and songs!

