



# The Northam Newsletter

The Northam Schools' Federation - St George's C of E Infant and Nursery & St Margaret's C of E Junior School



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Apologies for the missing newsletter last week...the snow obviously prevented it being sent out! I hope that you enjoyed the snowy Friday and managed to build a snowman or two. The weather has certainly improved this week and it has been lovely to experience some spring sunshine. The downside of the spring weather is of course that it can be sunny one moment and then wet and cold soon after. It would be great if the children could continue to come to school with their coats as this makes their playtimes much happier when the sun decides to hide behind the rain clouds.

Thank you to those of you who joined the infants for our special Mothers' Day service and also to St Margaret's for allowing us to hold the service in the Church. The Ethos group worked hard to come up with the format and hymns that they wanted and Mrs Prangle was a star for organising and collecting the daffodils to present during the service. Don't forget that Sunday is a special day for whoever it is that carries out the role of 'a mother'. I'd like to say thank you to the mums, dads, step-parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, god-parents and friends that act as 'a mother' to the children across the federation. I hope that you have the happiest of Mothers' Days.

Enjoy a wonderful weekend.

Claire Cole - Executive Headteacher

## 'PINK EYE'

Please be aware that there has been a case of 'Pink Eye' reported at St. George's. This is a severe form of conjunctivitis and advice is that if you think your child is suffering from it you should obtain medical advice. More information can be found here:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/conjunctivitis/>

## BAGS FOR SCHOOLS

We will soon be sending out more information about a 'Bags for School' collection. If you are spring cleaning at the moment please keep old clothes, bedding etc for us. All of these fabrics can help to raise much needed money for the federation. We were really successful last year and hope to repeat that this year. Thank you.

## PARKING

Sadly, we have been informed that parents are parking in the staff car parks both at St. George's and St. Margaret's. Please can we remind you that this is not permitted and that parents should only enter the car parks if they are picking up a sick child from school.

We have also had a complaint from one of our school neighbours about parents parking in an inconsiderate manner when dropping off and picking up from school - with some leaving car

engines running. We are aware that parking is difficult at both schools sites but can we ask that you are mindful of our neighbours. We will be contacting our community policeman to ask if he can come and observe parking at the start and end of the school day.

## CERTIFICATES

Well done to the following children who all received certificates in Celebration Worship (St Margaret's) and Golden Book Worship (St George's) this week:

**Headteacher Awards:** Lucas B, Mikey D, Erin B, Daniel C, Zakk B, Annabel B, Riley B, Damon B, Fern B.

**Class Teacher Award:** Joe H, Holly P, Freya W, Rosie L, Emily S, Imogen C, Casper L, Aiden B, Lucas B, Solomon S, Laila B, Esmie W, Oakley O, Woody M, Lavinia L, Max W,

**Swimming:** Maisie A, Imogen C, Phoebe C, Sennen H.

**Surf Life Saving:** Charlie S, Kristian B.

**Healthy Eating:** Joe H, Byron B, Casper L, Hatton J.

**Ballet:** Leah G.

**Ultra Marathon:** Robert B.

**Sandpipers:** Scarlet - Diving into learning & effort in maths.

**Starfish:** Jameson - Diving into story writing about the journey home which made his teacher laugh!

**Puffins:** Cameron - Great written explanations in literacy. Winston - Good explanations showing he really understand his learning.

**Seahorses:** Drew - Excellent place value learning in maths.

**Skylarks:** Lily - Great 'read detective'. Bertie - Sorting different sentences in literacy.

## The Week Ahead:

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP THEME: Compassion

**MONDAY:** Mrs Chance out all day. PM -Year 2 and Year 6 Parent/Teacher Interviews. Mrs Collins, Mrs Harrison & Mrs Skyes to cover Year 2 & Mrs Harris & Mr Pope to cover Year 6.

**TUESDAY:** London Residential trip leave. PM - Year 1 & Year 3 Parent/Teacher Interviews. Mrs Sykes & Mrs Harrison to cover Year 1 & Mr Pope & agency to cover Year 3. Pm - Mrs Davis in a meeting.

**WEDNESDAY:** London Residential

**THURSDAY:** London Residential Returns. PM - Year 4 Parent/Teacher Interviews. Mrs Sykes & Miss King to cover.

**FRIDAY:** Miss Taylor out all day. Mrs Davis out all day. Year 2 Choir at Music Festival - St. Mary's.

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