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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our final week of the half term has flown by again with lots of excitement. Robins had a fantastic visit to Easton supporting their learning about food and farming. They behaved beautifully and got so much from the day. Robins have also been lucky enough to be learning some German this half-term, taught by our PGCE student, Miss Wilkins. Sadly, we are saying 'auf wiedersehen' today. She will join us for the second part of her placement in the summer term.



Eagles look amazing today in Mayan costume, they are currently making hot chocolate and are looking forward to sharing their learning later in parent's assembly. Keep an eye on their class page on the website as they will be uploading some of their presentations. Photographs of the learning from this week will also be on Tapestry.



Children from Morning Club gave a beautiful presentation around swan lake this week. We enjoying listening to the music and watching some of the ballet. Their art work is on display in the corridor so that you can take a look on your way through to the hall. I have included the link if children would like to continue watching at home.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9rJoB7y6Ncs&safe=active>

We considered ourselves very lucky to avoid the worst of the week's weather when we walked to the church yesterday. The children are enjoying the walk more and more, we made it in record time yesterday. Thank you again to all of the older children who make such caring partners. Our Year 6 children made us especially proud with their care and support.

Special Awards this week:

Ducklings

Nathan for being determined and independent in writing the

Lord's prayer

Puffins

Savannah for her fabulous enthusiasm for her reading

Robins

Mayte for working really hard all week and producing some

super writing

Eagles

Imogen for excellent independent writing

Writer of the Week

Ducklings

Jazz

Robins

Jasmine

Attendance

This week: Ducklings with 98.67% I think everyone has been struggling with coughs and colds this week, hopefully they will all recover after a week of rest.

Other Messages

Coronavirus concerns

I am sure you are aware of the outbreak of novel coronavirus in China and the subsequent confirmed cases in the UK. At Yaxham we take the health and safety of our pupils and staff very seriously, so we're sharing [guidance from Public Health England](#) on steps you should be taking. There is currently no cause for concern at the school, but we'll keep you informed about any developments and ensure we're keeping the school clean to prevent the spread of any virus.

Prevent the spread of infection

Make sure you and your children follow these general principles to prevent spreading any respiratory virus:

- Wash your hands often – with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, or an alcohol-based sanitiser if soap and water aren't available
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- If you feel unwell, stay at home and don't attend work or school
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in a bin
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces in the home
- If you're worried about your symptoms, please call NHS 111 – don't go directly to your GP or other healthcare environment

If you or your children have returned from anywhere in Hubei province in past 14 days

If you or your children are currently well:

- Stay indoors and avoid contact with other people as you would with flu viruses
- Call NHS 111 to inform them of your recent travel to the area
- Your other family members don't need to take any precautions or make any changes to their own activities
- If you become unwell:
- Please call NHS 111 immediately in order for you to be assessed by an appropriate specialist in hospital, as quickly as possible
- Follow the [home isolation advice sheet](#)

If you or your children have returned from a specified country in last 14 days

The specified countries are:

- China (other than Hubei)
- Hong Kong
- Japan
- Macau
- Malaysia
- Singapore
- South Korea
- Taiwan
- Thailand

If you or your children are well:

- You don't need to avoid contact with other people
- Your other family members don't need to take any precautions or make any changes to their own activities
- If you become unwell:
- Stay indoors and avoid contact with other people as you would with other flu viruses
- Follow the [home isolation advice sheet](#)
- Call NHS 111 immediately in order for you to be assessed by an appropriate specialist in hospital, as quickly as possible

Symptoms to look out for

If you've returned from the specified countries or Hubei, look out for the following symptoms:

- Cough
- Difficulty in breathing
- Fever (a temperature of 38 degrees C or higher)
- If you have any of these symptoms:
- If it's an emergency, call 999 and tell them which country you have returned from in the past 14 days
- If you're unwell, but it's not an emergency, call NHS 111 and tell them which country you have returned from in the past 14 days
- While you wait for further advice:
- Avoid contact with others
- Stay at home – don't go to work or school
- Don't travel while sick
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing, throwing tissues in the bin
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds (or an alcohol-based sanitiser if soap and water aren't available)

If you or your child have any further concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Science Club

Science Club will have their final session on Tuesday 25th February. A huge thank you must go to Mrs Reeves for leading this, I know the children have learnt so much and thoroughly enjoyed it. We already have a waiting list for a future club. We will let you know as soon as dates are agreed!

Friends of Yaxham Primary School

The friends have been incredibly busy planning events for the rest of the school year. In school we have a huge wish list of equipment to support the curriculum as well as events planned that they are keen to support so please help out where you can. Tickets for the quiz night are available from the school office.

NORWICH
CATHEDRAL
Schools & Family Learning Department



Family Half Term Fun day

Tuesday 18th February

'SUPER HEROES'

Lots of indoor fun with puppets, crafts, face painting, dance, balloons, storytelling & more.

No need to book. Check in & pay at the Hostry, 10.30 a.m.

£4.00 for 3's & overs. Adults, babies & under 3's free.

Half term

If you are looking for activities over half term, the Cathedral are holding a family fun day. The team there are fantastic and our children always enjoy their visits.

World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

As with previous years, children come dressed as their favourite character and we will be enjoying celebrations in school. If anyone had costumes that children have grown out of it may be worth sharing them on the Facebook page. I am sure there would be lots of grateful parents.

Friends of Yaxham Primary School presents
A FAMILY
QUIZ NIGHT
Friday 13th March
7pm start
Yaxham Village Hall
Teams of 6 people
£8 per person
Includes fish & chips
or sausage & chips
Licensed bar!
Booking essential – book
your team in the school
office.
Parentkind
Member Association
Registered Charity: 1089123

Thinking day

Over the last few years it has become traditional for members of Girlguiding - Rainbows, Brownies, Guides to wear their uniform to school on 22nd February known as Thinking Day. This is the joint birthdays of Lord and Lady Baden Powell, who started the Scouting and Guide Movements over 100 years ago.

The day is celebrated by over 10 million girls in over 50 countries worldwide in many different ways. Unfortunately, this year it falls on a weekend so we will be celebrating on Monday 24th February.

Wishing everyone a well-earned half-term break.
Best wishes,

Jennie Müller

Dates for your diary:

Monday 24th February – Back to School

Girl guide members able to wear uniform to school

Wednesday 26th February – Robins Swimming

Wednesday 4th March – Robins Swimming

Thursday 5th March – World Book Day

9th – 13th March – Sport Relief Week

Wednesday 11th March – Robins Swimming

Year 4 Cycling

Thursday 12th March – KS2 Trip to John Innes Centre to listen to Chroma

Friday 13th March 2020 – Family Quiz night at the Village Hall 7pm

Monday 16th March – Parents Evening Puffins, Robins, Eagles, 3.30-5.30pm

Wednesday 18th March – Robins Swimming

Parents Evening Puffins, Robins, Eagles, 4-6pm

Thursday 19th March – Parents evening Robins only – Times to be confirmed

Wednesday 25th March – Robins Swimming

Thursday 26th March - Church visit *collection from church*

Friday 27th March – Family Friday

Tuesday 31st March – Artist Day

Wednesday 1st April – Easter Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt

End of Term



**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
MATTISHALL**

9.00am – 10.30am

SATURDAY - 4TH JANUARY

SATURDAY - 1ST FEBRUARY

SATURDAY - 7TH MARCH

SATURDAY - 4TH APRIL

(£2 per family)

A fun time for guys to play with their
young children and enjoy
bacon butties/toast/hot and cold drinks

**For all males with babies and
children upto and including
School Year 1**

Messy Church at Yaxham School



The after-school club starts again on
Thursday 16th January, 2020
from 3.30pm-4.15pm at school

Dates for this term:

16th & 30th January, 27th February, 12th March.

Theme: People of the Old Testament

At Messy church we have Songs, Bible Stories,
Craft Activities and Games

**For more details speak to Rev Sally 01362 692745
or sign up to come along at the school office**