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Dear parent/carer

Short and sweet from me this week. I hope you are all enjoying the warm sunshine. No rain forecast this week when I looked this morning – long may it continue!

I hope year 5 have fun at Cromer Academy's performance of Annie tomorrow, I look forward to lots of reading activities for World Book Day on Thursday and a huge WELL DONE to our footballers who won a tournament last week and represented the school with distinction. Teachers are also looking forward to seeing parents on Wednesday and Thursday this week to discuss your fabulous children, their work and their progress.

Have a fantastic week.

With kind regards

Steven Boast

Executive Deputy Headteacher
North Star Federation

Out of school success

Nothing truly from out of school this week but I'm going to include our footballers here as their games were at least off-site.



A team of Belfry children took part in North Norfolk School Sports Partnership's inaugural football tournament at Youngs Park, Aylsham last Tuesday. As well as encouraging one another, showing good sportsmanship and respect to represent our school brilliantly, they went unbeaten, didn't concede a goal and came home with the winners trophy. Mini match reports below.

Belfry 1 – 0 Coltishall – A dominant performance from Belfry with the Coltishall keeper making a string of excellent saves to keep the score at 0-0. Ultimately, it was a stunning, Van Basten-esque volley from Stanley, following a Raff throw in which decided it.

Belfry 0 – 0 Cromer – A much tighter game, this, with Cromer having more of the play and it being Barnaby's turn in the Belfry goal to make lots of top quality saves to keep the clean sheet.

Belfry 2 – 0 Pathfinders – Another dominant performance with Pathfinders defending in numbers to keep it 0-0 at half time. Deploying an extra striker in the second half, Belfry continued to pressure and the deadlock was eventually broken by George after a smart interception and driving run forwards. Stanley added a second to secure the win.

Belfry 1 – 0 Colby – An end-to-end game with both keepers making fine saves. For Belfry, Barnaby tipped one onto the post and Thomas made a fine goal-saving block on the line. A smart finish from Stanley proved the difference on the scoresheet but it was running, effort and tackling from Ted, Rupert, Hugo and Finley that really made the difference.

Well done, team and many thanks to the parents who helped with transport.

Celebration Assembly Winners

Class certificates

- Holly: Aadhiya, Willow and Elsie for independent writing during choosing time. You wrote lovely sentences and words about what was in your imagination.
- Larch: Tobi - after you had completed your maths challenge game with your partner, you noticed that another child could not complete theirs as they didn't have a partner so you were very kind and offered to be their partner so that they could complete it.
- Willow: Noah – you are consistently a kind and hardworking boy who is a pleasure to have in Willow class. Keep on being a brilliant role model.
Margot – you have worked really well this week both independently and in groups, despite not having a partner.
- Ash: Braylee because you have been an absolute star and role model this week. You listen carefully, work hard and focus well. Very well done.
Ted because in the classroom you are working really hard and trying your best. You listen carefully and you have coped well with being moved into different places.
- Oak: Florence – for being a lovely member of Oak Class. You show this by working hard in lessons, being ready to learn and being a good friend every day. Thank you.

Courage Champions

- Holly: Frankie - for showing courage when talking to other children in the class. You bravely asked them if they would like to join in with your game.
- Larch: Libby- for standing up in front of the whole school to perform with the Belfry Values Collective Worship Group even though she was nervous.
- Willow: George – for going on the rope bridge and trying again after falling off twice.
- Ash: Thea and Martha for having the courage to try again when they initially misunderstood in their maths.
- Oak: Isla – for being brave and bold. You love acting and it takes courage to stand up in front of an audience. Well done.

Forest School:

Bertie Bee goes to Hunter for his impressive climbing and courage to try new things and challenge himself.

Bella Bee goes to Christopher for his keen interest and help in planting out the Freesia bulbs and adding compost to the soil to help them to grow.

Well done to all of Forest School Group 1 in Willow class and Year 2 from Larch class for their excellent listening and observations of signs of spring. And a big thank you to Mr. Greenspan for helping the children to make wooden characters using the saw and drill. Great successes by all.

Diary Dates

March 2026		
Tuesday 3rd March	Y5	To see "Annie", performed by Cromer Academy at the pier.
Wednesday 4 th March		Parents' evening
Thursday 5 th March		World Book Day Special Book Day meal! Parents' evening
Monday 9 th March		Friends' make a gift day for a "Special Person". Donation: £1

Wednesday 11 th March		Larch class family café 2-3 pm
Thursday 12 th March	Ash Y6	Ash Class family café 2-3 pm STEAM event for Yr 6 at Gresham's. Details to follow.
Friday 13 th March		Friends' non-school uniform day! Donate a small chocolate egg or chocolate bar for Easter Bingo raffle hampers.
w/c Monday 16 th March		British Science Week
Tuesday 17 th March		Willow Class family café 2-3 pm
Wednesday 18 th March		In school "Easter Experience"
Thursday 19 th March		Larch Class trip to Strangers Hall
Friday 20 th March		Friends' Family Easter Bingo. 6 for 6.30 pm start!
Tuesday 24 th March		Holly Class family café 2-3pm
Wednesday 25 th March		Easter Service
Friday 27th March	Easter	Last day of term
Monday 13th April		First day of summer term