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Dear parent/carer

I wrote in a newsletter soon after the turn of the year about resolutions and how so many of them are focused on our physical health and wellbeing rather than perhaps focussing on our emotional or mental wellbeing. Informally at least, I'd resolved myself to do fun and mindful things at weekends especially and this weekend I was able to carve out some more of that time for a round of golf. The golf, in turn, led me to think about one of our values for this half term – trust.

The old friend I play with plays at least weekly, whereas I hadn't been out on the course since Christmas. Standing nervously on the first tee with a couple of other groups watching on, I rather duffed my shot and thought I might be in for a long morning. However, by hole 4, I'd relaxed into it and stopped even recording my score. Sure, I remember the all-too-rare birdie on the 14th, but I couldn't honestly say it for the other holes. I didn't even realise I'd stop keeping tally until the 8th tee. How did this happen?

The answer, I think, is trust. We often think of it as trusting someone to carry out a task or keep a secret and these are both very important. In this case, I think the trust is more subtle and subconscious. Through years of shared experience, I trust that my friend and I share the same values in life and prioritise the social aspect of the game and the joy of being out on such a glorious morning over carding a low score. Further, that however I play there will be no judgement and only very gentle ribbing when I land a ball straight in a gorse bush!

This kind of trust – a more general, 'they've got my back' kind of trust – is one that we look to develop in school. Children will not learn as well if they are not in an environment in which they feel safe and secure. Staff also will not perform as well if they do not feel safe and secure. That's emotionally arguably more than physically and boils down to the trust I felt on the golf course. I hope that the children and staff in school feel that trust, and that you as parents and carers do too.

Have a fantastic week.

With kind regards

Steven Boast

Executive Deputy Headteacher
North Star Federation

Red Nose Day

Thank you for your support for our non-uniform day before Easter. We raised £195 for Red Nose Day, which will go to the good cause they support.

Girls Football Opportunity



JOIN OUR NEW TEAM

U8 GIRLS

We Are Looking For U8 Girls For Our New Team For The 26/27 Season

Current School Year 1 & 2.

FREE TASTER SESSIONS:

22nd / 29th April 6.00–6.30pm At Greens Road

Please contact: creasey28@yahoo.com

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Girls Rugby Opportunity

Date: Sunday 17th May

Time: 10:00-13:00

Location: Wyomondham RFC, Barnard Fields, off Bray Dr, Reeve Way, Wyomondham NR18 0GQ

Welcome to the Love Rugby Series! A nationwide celebration of girls' sport, friendship, and confidence. Our festivals are designed for girls ages 8-11, providing a dedicated, girls-only space where players can be themselves and enjoy being part of a team. Whether their picking up a rugby ball for the first time or is already a club regular, our festivals offer a unique space to play, learn, and thrive.

What to expect:

- For the girls: A safe, girls-only space to learn, play and make friends.
- All abilities: From "never tried it" to "future pro" – everyone is welcome.
- Club connections: A direct pathway to join local clubs and keep playing.
- Expert delivery: Fun sessions led by experienced, qualified coaches.
- Freebies: Pick up some exclusive Love Rugby stash!

The sign-up link can be found here: <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/e3d1e86b1c274ee482c0e8b587684fb4>

The webpage with all the events and more details can be found here:

<https://www.englandrugby.com/play/love-rugby-series>

Kind regards, Dean

MIDLANDS LOVE RUGBY SERIES

Girls only playing opportunity for girls aged 8-11



Events:

- 17/05 - Wyomondham RFC
- 17/05 - Droitwich RFC
- 18/05 - Cambridge RFC
- 24/05 - Worcester RFC
- 26/05 - Birmingham Moseley RFC
- 27/05 - Nottingham Rugby
- 26/06 - Stoke on Trent RFC
- JUNE TBC - Loughborough RFC



Find your local event and sign up!

visit findrugby.com



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Foodbank

Thank you also for supporting the local foodbank with groceries and other items for families in need. I copy below a thank you note from the foodbank team:

Dear Foodbank supporter,

Thank you for your donation from The Belfry School last month of 20.70 kg. As a small charity we rely on food and financial donations to operate, and we are extremely grateful when people choose to support us. During the 24/25 year we gave out 2012 food parcels, providing food for 4,520 people; 2,843 adults and 1,677 children.

Whilst Trussell campaigns to end the need for foodbanks, we will be here helping those who need us right now. But that can only be done with kind donations from our supporters. To see what we need most right now, our wish list is published on our website and social media, and the list gets updated throughout the month on our donation page <https://northnorfolk.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Thank you for thinking of us and enabling us to serve the people facing hardship across our district.

Kind regards

Julie and the Foodbank team

Out of school success

Congratulations to Oliver this week, who has been making a splash with his progress in the swimming pool, collecting his level 4 and 5 swim awards, as well as a level 3 water skills award. Great work, Oliver!

Celebration Assembly Winners – 24.04.26

Class certificates

- Holly: Willow - for your independent writing during choosing time. You've worked really hard using your phonics.
- Ophelia - for settling back into school well, following the expectations and trying your hardest in your learning.
- Larch: Dulcie - for always having a very positive and conscientious attitude towards your learning and work.
- Willow: Holly May – you are always quietly getting on with the work, showing pride by making sure it's neat and well presented. Keep it up.
- Bertie – because you show enthusiasm in all subjects no matter the topic. This week your book on Ancient Egypt was super interesting and helpful!
- Ash: Herb because you are working hard in your new place and your work is improving. We were impressed with your efforts in the syllable poems.
- Lenny because you worked hard and supported your partner really well in English this week. You are always so kind and caring. Well done.
- Oak: Luke – for working really hard and being a good friend in Oak.

Integrity Ambassadors

All of these children have demonstrated our values by

Holly: Elsie - for super listening and following the expectations of the class.

Larch: Tobi - for being a trustworthy member of Larch: trusting him to always tell the truth and trusting him to help and support adults and children.

Willow Paisley – confiding in someone when she found it tricky.

Ash: Alesandra for always being honest and reliable. We know we can trust you to do any job.

Oak: Agatha – for being diligent every day and being a good friend throughout.

Diary Dates

April 2026		
Tuesday 28 th April	Random sample	National Dental Survey: 9.15. Dental checks – random sample of 5 year olds in school. Consent forms sent home last week.
May 2026		
Monday 4 th May		Bank holiday – School Closed today
w/c 11 th May		KS2 SATs week, all in
Thursday 21 st May		Special “Harry Potter” themed school lunch
Friday 22 nd May		Dentaaid Charity visit – Bright Bites workshops with classes
Friday 22 nd May		Last day of term
June 2026		
Monday 1 st June		Back to school: First day summer term
w/c 1 st June	Y 4	Multiplication Tables Check
w/c 8 th June	Y 4	Multiplication Tables Check
w/c 8 th June	Y 1	Phonics Screening check (plus some Y2s)
Tuesday 9 th June	New Y R	New parents’ information meeting. 5
Tuesday 16 th June	New Y R	New reception transition session 1/3 1.15 – 2.15 pm
Thursday 18 th June	Holly Class	Holly Class visit to Norwich Cathedral
Friday 19 th June		Sports day from 1 pm
Monday 22 nd June		Reserve sports day
Tuesday 23 rd June	New Y R	New reception transition session 2/3 1.15 – 3 pm
Tuesday 23 rd June		“Mary Anning” (fossil hunter) visiting Larch class
Wednesday 24 th – Friday 26 th June	Y 6	Cromer Academy and Aylsham High transition days
Friday 26 th June	Whole school New Y R	Whole school transition morning New reception transition session 3/3: 9 -11.45 am

Monday 29 th June		Orienteering day, whole school
Wednesday 8 th July		Belfry's Got Talent! 6 pm
Friday 10 th July		Annual pupil reports home
Friday 17 th July		Parent assembly 2pm, last day of term, Year 6 bell ringing