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Monday 14th September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

A full week is under our belts already and the children have settled quickly. A big well done to them all, as well as a thank you to all staff in school for their hard work in making this possible.

We have started to populate diary dates, so do look at the list below and make a note of anything relevant to you and your child(ren). The list of dates is updated weekly and next week's should include dates for Christmas performances and some opportunities for you to come into class and share in your children's learning for an afternoon. If ever a date needs to be changed, I will include a note in the newsletter drawing your attention to this, typically at the top of the diary dates section.

Teachers are also making progress with populating their class pages on our website with information about class routines as well as timetables and curriculum - [The Belfry CE VA Primary School - Our Classes](#). Each class page will include:

- Introductory information from the teacher(s)
- Long term plan (a broad overview of the topics to be covered across this year)
- Timetable
- Knowledge Organisers for this half term at least for English, maths (small steps), science and history/geography

The knowledge organisers contain the information that will be taught across a unit of work. For maths, this is presented as a breakdown of 'small steps' of learning rather than a knowledge organiser. In each case, this is a guide for teachers, who are encouraged and empowered to take ownership of the curriculum, editing and adapting it to best meet the needs and interests of their class. For example, a small step in maths could change order or be split into two or three smaller steps, or a history unit might focus in greater detail on some information to get a good depth of understanding, omitting other parts in the process. We hope that this information helps you understand what your children are learning in school and enables you to discuss it with them. If you would like more curriculum information, speak to class teachers on the gate or contact them via the office.

Have a fantastic week.

With kind regards

Steven Boast

Executive Deputy Headteacher
North Star Federation

Notices

- Attached a flyer about story time sessions at North Walsham library.

Mental Health Support Team (MHST) – Supporting Children and Young People

The Mental Health Support Team (MHST) works with schools, children, young people, and families to promote positive mental health and emotional wellbeing. Our team provides evidence-based early intervention support for mild to moderate mental health difficulties, helping young people develop coping strategies and build resilience.

We work closely with school staff to deliver workshops, consultations, assemblies, and targeted interventions, ensuring that mental health support is accessible within the school environment. Our aim is to empower children and young people to thrive both emotionally and academically while supporting schools to develop a whole-school approach to wellbeing.

If you would like to learn more about the support available through MHST, please speak to your school's MHST link practitioner.

Upcoming Webinar Dates and Times:

- Wednesday 9th September 6:30pm-7:30pm- Managing Behaviour
- Friday 18th September 10:00am-11:00am- Managing Anxiety
- Wednesday 23rd September 6:30pm-7:30pm- Better Sleep
- Friday 2nd October 10:00am-11:00am- Managing Behaviour
- Wednesday 7th October 6:30pm-7:30pm- Managing Anxiety
- Friday 16th October 10:00am-11:00am- Better Sleep
- Wednesday 21st October 6:30pm-7:30pm- Better Sleep

<https://nhs.vc/norfolk-waveney-mhst-webinars>

Kind regards

Tania Dawe
Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP)
Mental Health Support Team for Schools- Broadland & North Norfolk

Opportunities at Norwich Cathedral for children Years 2 to 6

An invitation is attached for Year 2 to Year 6 pupils to the **'Be a Chorister' Day on Saturday 10th October**.

Norwich Cathedral Children's Choir is a music group for children in school years 2-6 who love to sing! It is **free** to join the choir and there is **no audition required**.

As well as singing for fun, the Children's Choir performs at various family services and events throughout the year, including the Cathedral's Christmas Eve crib service, on Mothering Sunday and at Easter.

Best wishes,

Debbie Whitbread

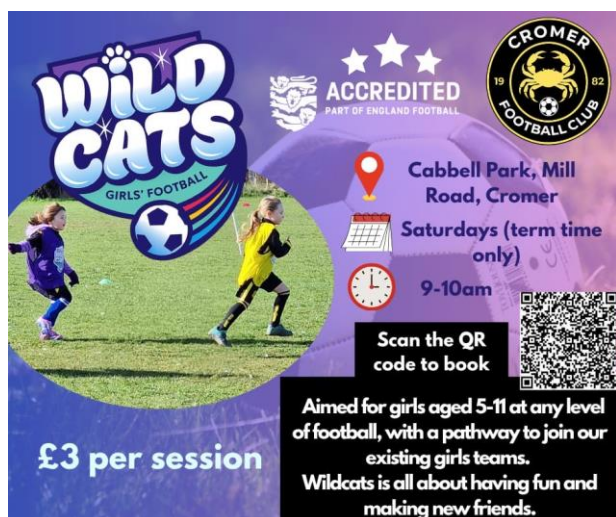
Administrative Assistant - Schools & Family Learning, Norwich Cathedral

Out of school success:

Congratulations to...

- Isaac H who completed 18 holes of golf over the weekend, showing great resilience and skill.
- Jack D who is off up to the "Centre of Excellence" at the Avant training ground where Norwich City train for the next 7 Thursday evenings; this is a follow on from the trial he went on. He was offered 7 weeks training with the Norwich Academy coaches!

Football Opportunities



WILDCATS
GIRLS' FOOTBALL

ACCREDITED
PART OF ENGLAND FOOTBALL

Cabbell Park, Mill Road, Cromer

Saturdays (term time only)
9-10am

Scan the QR code to book

Aimed for girls aged 5-11 at any level of football, with a pathway to join our existing girls teams. Wildcats is all about having fun and making new friends.

£3 per session



MINI KICKERS

THE PERFECT INTRODUCTION TO FOOTBALL

Our Mini Kickers are back!
We can't wait to welcome more young footballers to our club.

These sessions are perfect for any child in Reception or Year 1, giving them the opportunity to have fun, make new friends and develop new skills, in a friendly and encouraging environment.

Come and be part of the biggest youth provider in North Norfolk.

FIRST SESSION FREE!
£3 per session thereafter

Training
Fridays, 5-6pm
Cromer Academy 3G (Term Time Only)

For more information please contact our Facebook or Instagram pages, or email secretary@cromeryouthfootballclub.co.uk

Celebration Certificates

With an extra week to settle in school, **Holly** will start their celebration certificates this Friday.

Class certificates

Larch: Ted and Aadhiya - for their brilliant partner work in PE.

Willow: Harry P - for fantastic year 4 behaviour all week, setting a great example and trying your hardest in all lessons.

Ash: Harriet because you have made an excellent start. You contribute and ask questions to check your understanding and improve your work.

Margot because you have made a brilliant start. You are really trying to take ownership of your learning – trying to work out where you have made mistakes so you can learn and improve.

Oak: Rupert for working really hard in his writing this week. Mrs Trundell and I are both very impressed with your effort.

Compassion

All of these children have demonstrated our value by...

Larch: Walter - for noticing someone had fallen over during a running race, going over to them and checking they were ok and then helping them up.

Willow: Audrey - for settling into year 3 brilliantly, being a kind friend and generally a brilliant role model.

Ash: Lucas for helping his partner get going on Tackling Tables when she was stuck.

Oak: Martha – for making sure the younger children were okay and included in games on the field.

Forest School

Bertie Bee is awarded to Alex for her joyful and outgoing approach to forest school and for trying lots of new things. **Bella Bee** goes to Delilah for her determination making her wooden vehicle, she put in a lot of effort and creativity, well done.



Diary Dates

September 2026		
Tuesday 22 nd September	YR/Y1	Phonics information evening
Tuesday 29 th September		Friends of the Belfry Cake Sale in school
Wednesday 30 th September		Friends of the Belfry AGM, White Horse, Overstrand, 7.30 pm. Parents, carers, families all welcome.
October 2026		
Friday 9 th October		School photos. Pupil individual portraits by Tempest Photography, for data purposes though parents may purchase.
Tuesday 13 th October	Y6 YR	NHS National Child Measurement Programme: Heights and weights measurements of your child in school by NHS nurses. (Look out for your information letter by email and opt out instructions.)
Wednesday 14 th October		Parents Evening 3.30 – 5.30 pm
Wednesday 15 th October		Parents Evening 3.30 – 7 pm
Monday 19 th October	Y6	Crucial Crew visit to Gresham's Prep
Wednesday 21 st October		Last day Autumn term 1
November		
Monday 2 nd November		Back to school. Start of Autumn Term 2
Thursday 12 th November		1 st visit: Pupil flu immunisations in school. Parent consent required
Tuesday 24 th November		2 nd visit: Pupil flu immunisations in school. Parent consent required
Monday 30 th November	Oak Class	Oak Class family learning café, 2-3pm, parents invited.
December 2026		
Friday 18 th December	Christmas!	Last day Autumn Term 2
January 2027		
Tuesday 5 th January		First day Spring Term 1

