



The Belfry CE VA Primary School

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Monday 15th December 2025

Dear parent/carer

We have made it to the final week of term. This week, we look forward to our annual Christmas church service tomorrow (Tuesday), Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day on Wednesday and then finishing the term and year on a high with our parent assembly on Friday.

Casting back to last week, we are so proud of all of the children and their nativity performances. They were an absolute triumph! The infants' performance was, as ever, more traditional and had the quintessential charm of a nativity performance, including tea towels on heads! Best of all was seeing the joy in their faces at being on stage and performing for their nearest and dearest. The juniors' performance showed just how much the children grow and develop during their time with us. To see so many of them have the confidence to be up there and perform solos was truly inspiring. For all children, the finished article was a just reward for all their weeks of hard work. Thank you to family and friends at home for supporting with the learning of lyrics and lines, and for coming along to support the children.

Read on for logistical details of clubs and PE days next half term, as well as a few notices.

Have an absolutely fantastic Christmas break. I hope you all – children and families – enjoy the time together. We look forward to seeing the children back in school on **Tuesday 6th January 2026**.

With kind regards

Steven Boast

Executive Deputy Headteacher
North Star Federation



Overstrand Church Christmas Tree Festival

Each class in school has a Christmas tree in the church as part of their annual festival. While you may see them during the service on Tuesday, it can be very crowded with everyone in there so do get along another time if you can to have a proper look and support their causes.

Christmas Tree Recycling

Please see the attached flyer for details of how you can support East Anglian Children's Hospice (EACH) by recycling your Christmas tree with them.

PE/Forest School After Christmas

Holly – PE on Wednesdays and forest school on Thursdays

Larch – PE on Monday and Thursday

Willow – PE on Tuesday and Wednesday

Ash – swimming on Tuesday and PE on Thursday

Oak – forest school & PE on alternating Thursdays and skateboarding on Fridays

Oak class parents will receive a separate note this week with dates for PE and forest school.

Clubs After Christmas

Mrs Carruthers, who led our choir at the annual Norfolk Music Festival in the Spring, is moving out of area and so will not be re-starting our choir in January as originally planned. We hope to have a new choir leader in place very soon, to build on last year's success. Watch this space!

Wednesday – dance with Georgie – year 1-6 (max 20)

Thursday – netball with Sarah – year 3 and 4 (max 15) – we will open up to other year groups if there are spaces

Friday – skateboarding with Ash – year 5s (max 12)

All clubs are charged at a subsidised rate of £10 per half term and places can be reserved on Parent Pay later this week – we will let you know by text when the clubs are on ParentPay for you to log on and book a place. Places are limited and if you are unable to reserve or pay on Parent Pay, it might be that the club is full. Contact the office if so as we operate a waiting list and prioritise those children for places in future half terms.

Out of school success

Congratulations on the following for their successes outside of school:

- Imogen who has just started a run on stage in Sheringham Little Theatre's pantomime (oh yes she has!).

Celebration Assembly Winners

Class certificates

Holly: Holly Class – for all taking part and working hard in the Christmas performance.

Larch: All of Larch class for their outstanding Christmas play!

Willow: Lucas – you have made a great improvement in your writing recently and I was really impressed with your historical story.

Ash: Lulu because you work hard and try your best all time. You are listening carefully and making a real effort not to become distracted. Well done for your brilliant attitude.

Zachary because you are making a real effort to focus, get through your A-Js and develop your writing. Keep it up!

Oak: Rosa – for always being kind, behaving well in class and being a good friend in oak and the rest of the school.

Perseverance Pioneers

- Holly: Aadhiya – for persevering in the Christmas performance to learn all your lines by practising them again and again.
- Larch: Walter - for persevering in making his reindeer in forest school.
- Willow Gus – you persevered in your tackling tables to get 40/40 when you kept getting 39.
- Ash: Bianca because she perseveres in her work. She always works hard and tries her best in everything.
- Oak: Nathaniel – for persevering in maths. Even when he finds his times tables challenging, he tries to overcome it.

Forest School:

Bertie Bee goes to Noah for his amazing Nimbus 2025 broom made from whittled willow.

Bella Bee goes to Freddie for concentrating on his Reindeer and creating a scarf for him.

Tackling Tables

100% - Albie, Gus, Bertie, George, Harriet, Harry, Lucas, Ted B

Diary Dates

Wednesday 17 th December		Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day! Order lunch on the day!
Friday 19th December		Last day of term & Parent Assembly 2.15 in school. All welcome!
Tuesday 6th January 2026		First day of Spring term 2026
w/c 2nd Feb		Parents evening week. Days to be advised.