

School Attendance by Class

Flamingos 93.64% Kingfishers 93.45% Jackdaws 99% Hummingbirds 95.86%

Whole School Attendance this week is 95.49%

Each week the class with the highest attendance will win a £10 voucher, this can be saved and spent on whatever they would like for their class.

This weeks £10 voucher goes to Jackdaws

Parliament Event Friday 20th December The School Parliament are organising a Christmas Quiz and Christmas Movie with popcorn and lemonade. It will be a non uniform day. And the cost is $\pounds 2.00$. You can bring in cash or pay through ParentMail for the activities. Please support the children who are working really hard to make this a success.

Parliament They are excited to announce that the funds raised from their Halloween event will be split between the School, Finnbar's Force and St Mary & St Walstan Church, Bawburgh.

The Friends – **Christmas Craft Club** to be held in school on Thursday 19th December from 3.15 pm to 4.15 pm. £3.00 per child. Please make payment on ParentMail if your child would like to attend.

Increase in school meals Unfortunately, due to rising costs we are having to increase the cost of our school meals to £2.58 from 1^{st} January 2025.

The Government have continued to support UFSM and this means that all children from Reception, Year 1 and 2 will be provided with a school meal free of charge. Also, those children on allowance based free school meals will continue to be free of charge. If you feel you are entitled to free school meals, please contact the Office.

If you are experiencing difficulty in providing payments, please contact us. All enquiries will be confidential.

Thank you for all the parents/carers and grandparents who came to the Christmas Lunches. The children get so excited and it is such a lovely community event. We hope you all enjoyed it too.

Afterschool MultiSports There is no MultiSports afterschool club on the 17th and 18th December.

From Norfolk Police In light of the fact it is nearly Christmas and many children may receive mobile phones or other devices that can access the internet, CEOP Education are running a #SaferByChristmas campaign, offering advice on internet safety. Their 12 day countdown started on Monday and each day for the following 12 days, they are posting snippets of practical advice for parents and carers about keeping children safe online.

Parents/carers may like to follow CEOP Education on Twitter (@CEOPEducation) and Facebook (search and follow "CEOP Education")

The Friends Christmas Raffle The Friends will be holding an online Christmas fundraising raffle this year. If anyone has any raffle prizes that you would be happy to donate, please drop them off at reception. Unopened sets of toiletries, chocolates, wine would be very welcome (or anything you would be happy to win in a raffle yourself!). If you work for a business who you think might be generous enough to donate something, or have a business yourself which could help out - all donations gratefully received. Tickets are available now to purchase on ParentMail. Thank you.

Whole School Christmas Lunch Wednesday 18th December On this day, everyone in school will have a hot lunch; there will be no packed lunches. During the morning, your child will make a party hat and a personalised place mat, ready for the meal. It is a very special morning in school and the classrooms always reverberate with the happy sounds of children's laughter and Christmas Carols. The cost is £2.40 per head as normal; there will be no charge for those receiving universal free school meals or free school meals.

We will not be providing crackers for the children as we are aware of how environmentally unfriendly the plastic-laden bought Christmas crackers are. We will however, be providing a small gift to all the children and we are pleased that this one small bit of Christmas routine will have an impact in reducing seasonal plastic waste.

Christmas Jumper Day We will be participating in Christmas Jumper Day to raise funds for Save the Children. This will be Tuesday 17th December. Your child can wear a Christmas Jumper, which can be homemade, with non uniform bottoms. Donations can be made on ParentMail now. **Expressions of interest for Guitar lessons** A form is now available on ParentMail, if your child would like to start/continue guitar lessons. There will be a charge of these lessons, but instrument hire is free. These take place during the school day.

Request If you have a dog, could you please make sure that any dog mess is cleared up around the school gates.

Afterschool Club Please note that the afterschool club will close at 5 pm on Friday 20th December 2024.

Dates for your diary

- $17^{\rm th}$ December KS2 Carol Concert at 2pm and Christmas Jumper Day
- 18th December Whole School Christmas Lunch
- 18th December Christmas Raffle
- 20th December Non uniform day