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Dear Parent/Carer,

Incredibly, we're into the final two weeks before Easter. There's no let-up, though. The year 6s did themselves and our school proud at a science and technology event at Greshams last week and choir are in the very final stages of preparation for their annual performance at the Norfolk Music Festival on Thursday. I know they will shine, as they always do.

While I mention choir, they will be accepting new members in the new term after Easter, but it will be on a different day. Mrs Carruthers is moving out of area but returning to Norfolk for work commitments each Monday until the end of the summer term. Consequently, choir will be on a Monday after school after Easter and throughout the summer term. Full details of all clubs next half term will follow next week.

We're looking forward to seeing many of you at the remaining family cafes, at the Easter service next Thursday (all children can be collected from the church from 3pm – we will bring any uncollected children back to school) and supporting the FOWS Easter run and egg hunt next Friday.

Have a fantastic week.

With kind regards

Steven Boast

Executive Deputy Headteacher
North Star Federation

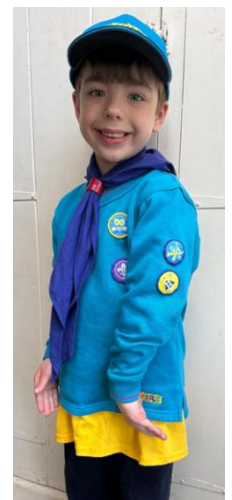
Easter Holiday Camps

Please see the attached flyers about Active Education's Easter holiday camps.

Out of school success

Congratulations to the following on their fantastic success outside of school:

- Robin for earning his first badges at Beavers.
- Bruce for earning his purple karate belt.
- Romeo won the 2025 championship in trials bike riding for Norwich Vikings moto cycling club.



Support for You and Your Child

We're the Mental Health Support Teams in Schools (MHST), offering early help for children who may be struggling with anxiety or managing their emotions. If you're worried about your child—whether at home or at school—you can speak to your school's Mental Health Lead or SENCO to request a referral to our service.

We also run a series of free online webinars designed to help parents and carers better understand and support their child's emotional wellbeing. These sessions are relaxed, informative, and open to all families in our partner schools.

Our upcoming topics include understanding anxiety, helping your child manage big emotions and support with sleep. Please find below the dates and times of the upcoming webinars:

- Friday 17th April at 10:00am- Child Anxiety
- Wednesday 22nd April at 6:30pm- Managing big emotions
- Friday 1st May at 10:00am- Sleep
- Wednesday 6th May at 6:30pm- Child Anxiety
- Friday 15th May at 10:00am- Managing big emotions
- Wednesday 20th May at :30pm- Sleep



Please click on the link to join our webinars: <https://nhs.vc/norfolk-waveney-mhst-webinars>

Gold Book Winners (13.03.26)

Ambition

Robins – Harriet, for trying hard with her reading so that she can become more confident to blend the sounds to read the words.

Swifts – Carter for working hard to write ambitious sentences to improve her writing.

Hérons – Elijah, for setting his sights on achieving his red star in Tackling Tables, putting in the hard work and effort, and then reaching his goal. Well done!

Kestrels – Noah, who had a vision during our STEAM trip to Gresham's yesterday; he created a boat design which become the fastest moving boat of the year!

Courage

Robins – Barney, for showing the tower that he had made in Maths in front of the class.

Swifts – Ava for reading a book to the class that she had brought in from home.

Hérons – Eva, for being courageous enough to read part of her news report in front of the whole class, whilst putting on her best news reporter voice!

Kestrels – Sofia, Paige and Rose for working together and overcoming obstacles in an unfamiliar setting. In fact, they conquered their fears and became joint 2nd place.

Perfect Presentation

Robins – Rosie, for remembering her finger spaces when writing her sentence about the Good Egg story.

Swifts – Oscar for sitting letters on the line and remembering finger spaces.

Hérons – Bella, for neatly drawing and labelling the different sections of the course of a river during her Geography lesson.

Kestrels – Isla, for listening to instructions and adapting with her own artistic flare to produce a mothers' day card.

Sports Star

Swifts – Jenson for demonstrating excellent shooting skills.

Hérons – Harper, for demonstrating control over a ball when using both sides of the hockey stick.

Kestrels – Martha, for showing progressing with her forehand swing pattern. Starting the racket below the ball and finishing with the racket over her shoulder.

A special mention to our running club runners. They have been challenging themselves by running more and more laps of our track and, more importantly, encouraging one another. Finishers have been running alongside others to support them. Like the sportsmanship award in the girls' football recently, this shows Worstead's values and spirit shining through.

Tackling Tables

100% - Willow B, Evie A, Oscar W, Pollyanna, Harrison, Kacie, Kyla, Molly Wr, Zara, Guinevere, Harry T, Luca, Oakley, Rowan, Cody, Isla M, Molly Wa, Paige, Rose, Eva E, Harper, Elijah

Blue star – Harper

Green star – Paige

Red star – Pollyanna, Harrison, Zara, Rose,

Reading Prizes

Swifts: Willow B

Hérons: Harry H

Kestrels: Rosie

Forest School

Bowtruckle goes to Bruce and Hugo for their super effort moving compost and leaves to make a hedgehog home and finding mini beasts for them to feast on.

Groot goes to Kason for his enthusiasm to answer questions and his positive energy at forest school.

Thanks to the Eco Council team who helped to plant potatoes 🍅 for our Ecoschools project. Each class will tend their own plants and compete against each class to see who can grow the most potatoes. We will hopefully all enjoy eating all of the new potatoes in July.

A special mention from Mr Read for the boys in Swifts (Ebbie, Jack, Merlin & Manny) who had made and placed their own birds' nest habitats at playtime to encourage wild birds to visit our hedgerows along the edge of the field.

Diary Dates

MARCH		
Thursday 19 th March		School choir performing at Norfolk County music festival
Monday 23 rd March	2pm	Swifts Family café
Monday 23 rd March	Am	FOW 2 nd hand uniform Sale
Thursday 26 th March	2pm	Easter service at the Church
Friday 27 th March	2pm	Easter Fun run – School playground
Friday 27 th March		Last day of term
April		
Monday 13 th April		Pupils return to school
Tuesday 14 th April		National Dental survey visit
Tuesday 21 st April		Parent Neurdiversity Café

May		
Monday 4 th May		Bank holiday Monday
Tuesday 19 th May		Tenpin bowling event @ Namco Bowthorpe (details to follow)
Friday 22 nd May		Last day of term