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Dear Parent/Carer,

How many of you stayed up (or woke up) to watch the football last night? As much as I like football, I don't think I could have stayed awake if I'd tried. I managed some brief highlights this morning – just enough to be able to keep up with the conversations on the gate and in the staff room.

I think the timing of the game and its dramatic nature have added to this, but I have been reflecting on how the game and the World Cup has everyone talking, even those who are not traditionally followers of football. It's a powerful thing to be able to unite communities, so how is it done? For me, it's the hope around a common purpose. With the international competitions, we can put domestic rivalries to one side and all pull in the same direction to share in the drama, the excitement, the tension and, ultimately, the hope that later this month we'll be able to witness history and another World Cup win.

It's been a while since I wrote about hope in a newsletter, but it remains the guiding vision of our federation of schools and appears each week in our North Star logo (at least, the 'guiding your child to a brighter future' does). That – brighter futures for our children – is the common purpose we have in our school communities and as a staff at least, we do get excited about the progress that our children make and the wonderful people they can and will grow up to become, particularly at this time of year when we are readying the children for the next year of their learning.

Have a fantastic week.

With kind regards

Steven Boast

Executive Deputy Headteacher
North Star Federation

Events

- We hope you all, children included, have enjoyed recent events:
 - o Bikeability for some of our Kestrels
 - o Orienteering for all children
 - o Summer Fayre for everyone – a huge THANK YOU to the FOWS committee for organising the fayre and to everyone who volunteered to support the event.
- I'm looking forward to seeing Kestrel's summer performance of *Cinderella Rockefeller* this evening. I know they have been working hard in rehearsals.
- Herons are off to How Hill tomorrow – the weather is set fair so they should have a super day.
- Our summer church service is this **Thursday 9th July, starting at 230pm**. All friends and family are welcome to join our final service of the academic year and, as previously, **we will dismiss children to parents from the church** and walk any uncollected children back to school. After school care and clubs are still on.
- Annual reports are scheduled to be published this Friday 10th July. Phonics screening and multiplication tables check results will be included with reports. Year 6 SATs results will follow next week, once published.
- Our year 6s are off on Mr Suckling's annual mystery trip next Tuesday 14th – no spoilers here but they'll have a blast.

- Also next week, we have our leavers' assembly for year 6 parents on **Thursday 16th July**. All children will attend and, as with this week's church service, can be **collected from the village hall from around 3pm**. Uncollected children will be walked back to school.
- A reminder also that 17th July is the final day of the school year and children return to Worstead on Thursday 3rd September 2026. We will let year 6 parents onto the playground just before 3 and will be aiming for the annual Worstead arch for 3pm.

Mr Read

Following his illness before half term, Mr Read had a routine procedure last week and is currently recuperating at home. He is hopeful of returning to work next week for all the end-of-year events. In the meantime, support and cover arrangements are in place, just as they were before.

Out of school success:

Congratulations to...

- Massive congratulations to Edith, Ava Q, Willow Q, Isla W, Ivy W, Evie M, Mary-Ann and Coco who all took part in Funky Feet's Dance and acrobatics show Legends and Icons at the weekend. It was two long days and two amazing shows, they were all stars. And a special mention to Edith, Ivy, Isla, Ava and Willow for also winning awards! Ivy has officially become the Junior Dance Assistant for the Funky Feet dance school.
- On Friday, Kason got moved up to stage 3 at his swimming lessons and swam 5 meters



Gold Book (03.07.26)

Curiosity

Robins – Louis, for always been keen to learn about the topics we explore and asking questions to develop his knowledge further.

Swifts – Hannah for asking thoughtful questions in geography and for making detailed observations when looking at maps.

Hérons – Harry W, for being incredibly curious when using his superb map skills to find the flags during our orienteering experience.

Kestrels – Noah, for asking lots of questions (both relevant and irrelevant!) during his bike ability sessions; the instructor remembered his name fondly.

Forgiveness/ justice

Robins – Leo, for having a forgiving nature towards his classmates if they forget our class values.

Swifts – Willow. B for being a role model to everyone in our class, always showing forgiveness to her friends.

Hérons – Henry, for thinking about fairness when taking turns during maths.

Kestrels – Cody, for forgiving Rose after she kicked the ball in PE, which knocked Cody on the floor after it collided with his head.

Perfect Presentation

Robins – Finn, for trying hard to form his letters correctly and neatly, so that others can read his sentence.

Swifts – Manny for ensuring that his letters sit on the line correctly and for forming his letter consistently.

Hérons – Jessica, for neatly presenting her writing and drawings in science.

Kestrels – Paige and Autumn for beautiful science work; their books are like works of art.

Sports Star

Robins – Esme, for listening to instructions so that she was able to join in with our train games.

Swifts – Coco for demonstrating good balancing technique when holding positions in yoga.

Hérons – Harry S, for good sportsmanship and fair play. He was knocked down during a football but got straight back up again and carried on.

Kestrels – Annebelle, for never giving up trying to catch out the kicker in kick rounders; after drop catch, after drop catch, she finally pulled off a spectacular diving catch.

Reading Prizes

Swifts: Ivy. C, Mary-Ann

Hérons: Alex B, Theo, Eva, Evie, Zara, Kyla

Kestrels: Ivy W

Tackling Tables

100%: Hannah F, Ivy B

Green star: Ivy B

Red star: Ivy B

Forest School

Groot goes to Kason for his enthusiasm at Forest School on Tuesday.

No award for Bowtruckle as the Year 5's were doing their bike safety course.

Diary Dates

Monday 6 th July		Swifts trip to Sheringham park
Monday 6 th July		No multi sports afterschool club
Monday 6 th July	5:30 arrive 5:50 to start	Kestrels show
Tuesday 7 th July		No music club or music lessons
Tuesday 7 th July		Hérons trip to How Hill
Thursday 9 th July	2:30	Summer service at the church
Friday 10 th July		Annual reports being sent out
Friday 10 th July	5-7	Leavers Disco
Tuesday 14 th July		Kestrels' mystery trip
Tuesday 14 th July		Music club and lessons taking place (due to being cancelled last week)
Thursday 16 th July		Leavers assembly at the village hall
Friday 17 th July		Last day of term and leavers arch from 3pm
Thursday 3 rd September		ALL PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL

