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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE HEAD

What a great start back it has been after half term! All of the children have really hit the ground running again since we came back last Monday. I'm sure the weather getting slightly better has helped cheer everyone up!

We've got lots to look forward to across the schools for the rest of this half term, even though there is now only three weeks left until the Easter Holidays.

I'm very happy to report that Blakeney have now got their new minibus. A big thank you to their PTFA for supporting this as it will directly benefit all of the children in the Federation.

Thank you to those of you who completed the summer school consultation. I will write to you all with an update about this next week. I will also provide an update next week about the Parent Governor vacancy at the Federation.

I hope you enjoy reading this month's newsletter for your school. And, as ever, thank you for all of your support of our fantastic schools.

Best wishes to you all,

Mr Snowdon

SCHOOL NEWS

We will be welcoming Megan, who starts with us on Monday 9th March as our Catering Assistant. School meals will return back to the menu choices up to Easter. The Spring/Summer menu has been sent out.

The whole school today all dressed up for World Book Day. There was a great variety of books and costumes. Photos will be shared on the school website and will be in the North Norfolk News on Thursday 12th March.

Class 1 visited Strangers Hall, Friday 27th February. All children enjoyed.






CLASS 1 NEWS – MAPLE

February was a busy month for us in Maple Class. We were learning all about the Great Fire of London, and ended the month with a trip to Strangers' Hall in Norwich. We learned about the lighting, fire and heating used in the Hall, and how this was made safe to prevent any fires. Luckily the building was safe and we all helped to make sure anything that was not safe, was removed promptly.

Towards the end of the half term, we learned all about Shrove Tuesday, which involved making and eating pancakes with Willow Class. The sun started to shine more and more so we have been enjoying lots of outdoor play, and started looking after out outside space again. Then to finish the half term, we made some lovely Valentine's Day cards for our families and ate some heart shaped jam sandwiches.

In our maths, KS1 have started learning about multiplication this week, and we had a super fun session where we made arrays in playdough and then learned about commutativity through our play. Reception have been learning about measuring heights and lengths, and this has been very fun with lots of outside play involved.

In English, we have started studying books related to our new topic of Homes and Houses, and Reception are on "Me in the Middle" whilst KS1 look at "Iggy Peck, Architect" for a little while. We would really appreciate any pictures of your homes and houses, from the outside and inside, as well as any photos of your street/area and photos from the past to aid our learning.






CLASS 2 NEWS - WILLOW

In Willow Class, in our design and technology sessions, we are continuing to design our labyrinths and will be making these over the next few weeks.

In Science this term, we have continued to research scientists and inventors. We have found similarities, differences and changes related to simple scientific ideas and processes and have found out about men and women who introduced new plants to our gardens. We have also learnt about non-native plants that have been discovered, transported and introduced.

In Art, we are continuing to look at portraits and have spent time mixing the primary colours to create secondary colours. We have learnt how to make some basic skin tones and then have focussed on dark and light shades.

Well done to everyone who designed and created the Easter eggs for the North Norfolk Railway. The designs were fabulous and staff found it difficult to choose five of the best ones. We have chosen these and the finished version are below.



CLASS 3 NEWS – ASH

The children and I are getting back into the swing of school life after half term. The children are working hard. The theme this term is Greece. The class are working on writing a Greek myth at the moment, so we are looking at how the myth is structured and the writing will begin next week. The children are also researching the geography of Greece.

There was a great turn out for World book Day today with some amazing costumes. Bella and Peggy won the prizes for Class 3. We split the three classes in to three mixed age groups. Each group then did different activities, a book scavenger hunt, Gruffalo food and The Queen of Hearts was playing cards. A very successful day.



SAPLINGS

Saplings Stay and Play is continuing in the Spring Term 2 for 2026. We are a Stay and Play group for babies and toddlers aged 0+ up to school age. Maple Class children from Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, help to run the Stay and Play session every Thursday at 10 – 11am. Saplings is open to all, please spread the word to any local families.

Saplings dates for Spring Term 2026:

Thursday 5th March – Cancelled!

Thursday 12th March

Thursday 19th March

Thursday 26th March

KEY UPCOMING DATES

- Easter Holiday 30th March – 13th April
- Red Nose Day 20th March
- Easter Service, All Saints Church 27th March
- Bank Holiday 4th May
- SATs week 11th – 15th May
- Bikeability Year 6 & Year 5 18th May – 21st May