NEWSLETTER

Kelling CE VA Primary School

November 2026

KEY DATES

Gresham Carol Service 8th December PM

4th December Nativity

11th December Carols at Kelling with Cromer/Sheringham Brass Band

18th December Christmas Service

Christmas Break 21 December – 4th January

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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE HEAD

It's been all systems go since the schools reopened on Monday! The pupils have all hit the ground running and are cracking back on with their learning which has been great to see at all of the schools.

The Federation fireworks event at Hindringham last night was another huge success. Everyone had a great time, it was very well attended and raised lots of money that will go towards all of your children going, for free, to the pantomime at King's Lynn next month. A huge thank you to all of the staff for their organising of this brilliant event, especially Mrs Brooks and Mrs Besant.

Next week, all of the Year 6 pupils in the Federation are off on a three-day residential trip to Norfolk Lakes Activity Centre in Lyng where they will take part in a wide range of exciting activities including kayaking and rock climbing. The week after this, we'll be sending a Federation team to the North Norfolk Cross Country event... and then it'll be full steam ahead with Christmas activities at the schools!

I must stress, again, how important regular school attendance is for every child in the Federation. As you can tell, there's always so many fun and exciting things happening at our schools and we never want anyone to miss out on this, or to miss any of their learning. Even missing just one day of school can negatively impact on your child's progress. As we say to the pupils - get up, get in, get working. Please work with us to ensure your children are in school, on time, every day.
As ever, thank you for your continued support of our wonderful schools.

SCHOOL NEWS

Swimming

Class 3 children will continue swimming. Please make sure they bring in a costume, towel, and goggles, in a named bag on the day and earrings removed.

School Meals

Autumn/Winter menu is available on the school website and Dojo, if you would like a hard copy, please contact the school office.

CLASS 1 NEWS – MAPLE



As we begin to enter November, we are heading straight towards so many exciting things in Maple Class. Our new learning theme is all about "People Who Help Us" and we will hopefully have some wonderful visitors coming in to school from our community, to talk to us about how they help us. If you wouldn't mind coming in to talk to the children about your jobs and how you help people, please let me know, we would love the children to hear from a range of people, from firefighters, to nurses, to refuse workers, builders, librarians, shopkeepers, cleaners, medics, sports coaches and so many more!

We are learning all about many different celebrations taking place over this part of the term, from Remembrance Day, Diwali, Bonfire Night, Hanukkah and Christmas, just to name a few. Nativity rehearsals have begun and Maple Class have been listening to the songs whenever we have had a chance… Please continue to support with this by playing the songs at home.

Reception are learning about "The Jolly Postman", this week, and they have been practicing writing cards and letters. KS1 have been looking at "Zog and the Flying Doctors" and will be using this book as our hook for the next few weeks, before moving on to some non-fiction texts and finally some winter themed learning. In maths, KS1 are learning about place value within 100, and Reception are focusing on 4 sided shapes.





CLASS 2 NEWS - WILLOW



We have been embarking on an exciting new topic all about **Space!** 🚀

This half term, the children have been finding out all about astronauts, learning about what life is like in space and discovering some of the amazing things astronauts do. We are looking forward to exploring more of this fascinating topic together.

We are also getting into the festive spirit and are delighted that the children will be singing Christmas carols at Gresham School in December. We hope lots of you will be able to join us and enjoy this special occasion.

Some photos of our learning recently:



Looking ahead, we are also hoping to organise some supermarket singing sessions in the near future to raise money for our school's forest area. We are excited about this opportunity to bring our community together,

spread some Christmas cheer and raise funds for our wonderful wildlife area. More details will follow as soon as arrangements are confirmed.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to sharing more of our exciting adventures with you!



CLASS 3 NEWS – ASH

The class have settled back in to the new term successfully. We have welcomed Tabitha who has joined year 5 and settled in well.

Class 3 have now moved onto their new Theme related to Space. They are going to boldly go where no class has been before, exploring our solar system and the galaxies. We have also started our new class book The Girl who stole an Elephant.

In art we have started looking at different style of shading with a pencil e.g. hatching and cross hatching

This week in science we have been looking at making a scale model of our solar system. This involved a lot of string, Blutac and cutting out. The task was to work out the distances between the planets and the sun, cut out the planets and put them on string in the correct position. The children coped well with the three meter length of string but it is a great way of showing the distances.









SAPLINGS

