



**Newsletter 4-** 19 .6. 2026

Good morning, parents/carers

Another week has flown by, but with lots of learning had! Y4 have completed their multiplications tests and Y1 have completed their Phonics Screening Tests successfully.

**Sandringham Visit**

KS1 children had a wonderful time visiting Sandringham this week, they loved the whole experience. Thank you to all the volunteers who came along and helped to make this visit successful.

**New Reception Children**

It was a privilege to welcome our new Reception children to Duchy on Wednesday evening, we are looking forward to the new Reception children joining us in September.

**World Book Day**

The children all enjoyed 'World Football Day' on Wednesday, **thank you for all your donations**, we raised £74.00, which we will use towards our outdoor space.

**Reading Together Session**

It was again lovely to see you at our 'reading together session' on Thursday at 2:45pm. The children really enjoy seeing you all and sharing precious time to read and enjoy a book together. As the weather gets warmer, please feel free to go and read on the field.

**'A Big Thank You'**

A huge Thank You to Mr & Mrs Judge-Grief for their donation of sportswear to the children. I am sure you will all agree with me, the Duchy children, look magnificent!



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### **Very Narrow Road**

Methwold is such a beautiful village, however the very narrow road outside the single gate is dangerous because of the obscurity it poses, it is difficult to see around the bend and when crossing the road. Please be careful and if possible, try to use the larger part of the road outside the double gates. I am having discussions with the council to see what could be put in place, to keep everyone safe. I will keep you all updated, but please be vigilant, and keep safe, Thank you.

### **PTA**

Please, if you have any available time, we would love to have more parents/carers be part of our PTA. Any small amount of time would be appreciated. Please come and join in at the PTA meeting on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June in the school hall at 3.20pm - we need helpers - all welcome!

**Dates for your diary:**

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Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Icen SEND  
extra transition day for Y6 – 8.40 - 2.00pm (parents & carers are invited in from 1.45pm)

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June - Reading Together at 2:45pm – all welcome

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June – PTA meeting in the school hall – 3.20pm - all welcome! We need your help!

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – 1pm - Sport's Day – all welcome – on the school field.

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July & Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Icen transition days for Y6 – 8.40 - 3.15pm

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July & Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July – New Intake Reception settling sessions (morning, including lunch on Wednesday)

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 6pm – KS2 Lion King Performance in the school hall

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 12pm – Packed lunch for the whole school, parents/carers please come and join in with your children! All welcome – on the school field.

#### Attendance



# Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

| Class                 | Week Beginning | %     |
|-----------------------|----------------|-------|
| Rabbits-Miss Clucas   | 15th June 2026 | 94.48 |
| Hedgehogs- Mr Neech   | 15th June      | 96.41 |
| Squirrels-Miss Buntin | 15th June      | 92.38 |
| Badgers-Miss Martin   | 15th June      | 87.65 |

The best Class attendance for this week is Hedgehogs at 96%, well done!  
School attendance - Government expectations are 94% +

What have our classes been learning this week?

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**Rabbits** had a brilliant time on their trip to Sandringham. They enjoyed a tour of the Kings house and gardens, and took part in an exciting workshop all about the coronation. They finished the day exploring the maze designed for Prince George, Princess Charlotte and Prince Louis.

**Hedgehogs** Following our exciting start to the week where Hedgehogs visited Sandringham, we have completed some wonderful work also. We have begun a new design and technology project where we will be designing and building a car (milk bottle lids will be used for wheels and donations of these are greatly appreciated!) and have continued our learning of powerful voices in history with Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King. In English we have been writing dialogue sentences about Gawain and the Green Knight and have been thinking about what it must feel like to set off on a quest!

**Squirrels** have enjoyed a very busy week continuing to write and edit their narratives in English lessons. In Maths Year 3s have been enjoying their shape topic learning about polygons and polyhedrons while the Year 4s have started some new learning about co-ordinates. We have had some very busy afternoons this week rehearsing for our Lion King production.

**Badgers** have had a busy week. Year 5 have worked really hard on completing some assessments this week, they have shown great determination and should be very proud. Some year 6 had a transition day at Iceni and it sounds like they had a brilliant time. Year 6 have also been taking part in some preparations for the end of their time in Duchy, including starting to write leavers' speeches. Badgers have also been rehearsing for our upcoming show most afternoons and are doing a fantastic job. Well done, Badgers!

Have a lovely sunny weekend

Best Wishes

Mrs Christou – Head Teacher