



The Trinity Partnership

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Newsletter 5- 26 .6. 2026

Good morning, parents/carers

I want to start this newsletter by thanking the children 'Thank You. The children have been great, considering the very hot weather, they have kept themselves cool by sitting in the shade or remaining in school, drank lots of water and applied sun cream when and if needed. They have been Stars! The weather is forecast to cool down from next week and so fingers crossed we can go ahead with our sport's day which everyone is looking forward to!

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.

Update Contact Details

Please can you assure that all your contact details are up to date, it is really important that we have your correct contact details so if needed, we are able to contact you immediately, your mobile phone, house phone, address and two other contacts, if we were not able to contact you. Please speak to the office if you need any support, thank you.

'A Big Thank You'

A huge Thank You to Laura Winborn for your wonderful gifts and donation, they are appreciated by all!

'A cord of three strands is not easily broken' Ecclesiastes 4:12



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Very Narrow Road

Thank you all for continuing to be vigilant when driving and crossing the road outside of school.

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 today Friday 26th June in the air conditioned Burrow at 3.20pm - all welcome!

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 2nd July – 1:30pm - Sport's Day – all welcome - don't forget to buy your raffle tickets for the PTFA Sports Day raffle from the office, loads of great prizes up for grabs!

Monday 6th July- Reports out- Please once you have read your child's report can you add a comment and return to the school office, this will support Duchy in continuing to improve.

Tuesday 7th July & Wednesday 8th July – Iceni transition days for Y6 – 8.40 - 3.15pm

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

Thursday 9th Reading Together at 2:45pm (2nd July cancelled due to sport's day)

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

Thursday 16th July 6-8pm - Leavers Disco to wish a fond farewell to our lovely Year 6's, Year 6 parents welcome. Free to all pupils attending.

Friday 17th July- Whole School Picnic on the field at 12- All children will have a packed lunch, you are welcome to bring a lunch and blanket to sit and eat together. You are all welcome to take your child/children home once you have finished. Last day of the academic year!

Tuesday and Wednesday the 1st and 2nd September are training days for staff.

School reopens to children on Thursday 3rd September 2026.

Please follow this link for 26-27 term dates

https://norfolk.citizenspace.com/childrens-services/term-dates2026-27/supporting_documents/School%20Term%20Dates%20and%20Holidays%20final%20version%202026%2027.pdf

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Attendance



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

Class	Week Beginning	%
Rabbits-Miss Clucas	22nd June 2026	74.22
Hedgehogs- Mr Neech	22nd June	77.30
Squirrels-Miss Buntin	22nd June	77.39
Badgers-Miss Martin	22nd June	82.82

The best Class attendance for this week is Badgers at 82 %, well done!
School attendance was 78.56% - Government expectations are 94 %+

What have our classes been learning this week?

Rabbits have had another busy week. In phonics we have approached the end of the initial code and introduced three letters make one sound. Next week we move onto the bridging units to prepare the children for phonics when they join Hedgehogs. In mastering number we have been busy comparing numbers using the rekenreks.

Hedgehogs class have been working on writing a wonderful retelling of Gawain and the Green Knight, and they have worked hard to include dialogue sentences in their writing. In maths we have been revisiting our learning on multiplication and thinking about different strategies we can use, such as counting and arrays. In our history, we have learnt about the amazing life of Malala Yousafzai and the ongoing work she does to raise awareness about children in the world who are denied education.

Squirrels have been working very hard this week to publish their narratives in English to showcase their wonderful handwriting. Year 4s have been learning all about coordinates and translating shapes in maths while the Year 3s have started their new topic on angles, focusing on what an angle is and naming the right angle. We have also finished our class book Edward Tulane and we were shocked by the ending!



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Badgers have worked hard continuing to write their own narrative about Animal farm using the redraft process to improve their work. They have also started using Can-Do maths with year 6 revisiting number and place value and year five exploring time. Badgers have really impressed this week during rehearsals and we can't wait for you all to see it soon. Despite the warm weather Badgers have worked really hard and should be very proud of themselves!

Have a lovely sunny weekend

Best Wishes

Mrs Christou – Head Teacher

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