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Newsletter 352, 16th January 2026

Dear Parents and Friends,



The term has really got going and is speeding along. This is the newsletter where we are reaching out to you for some very specific support. Please see below the different ways that you can support our children. If you can help in any of these ways it will be much appreciated. Maybe you know someone else who can help? Please let them know what we need. Thank you very much!

Partnership News

Weekly Worship Focus

Our worship this week has been focussed on Jesus' baptism. Our bible reference has been Matthew chapter 3 verses 13-17. We learned a little about how different people ask for forgiveness and spiritual cleansing. We considered whether there was anything that needed forgiveness or spring cleaning in our own lives.

We invite parents of children who receive certificates to join us for worship on a Friday in school. However, you can still join us virtually if it is easier for you. Monday – Thursday we have whole school worship at 2.45pm. On a Friday it is 1.05pm at All Saints and 2.30pm at St Martin. You are welcome to join us at any of these sessions.

Vacancy

We have a vacancy at St Martin for a mid-day assistant, four days a week. We also have a vacancy for a cleaner. If you, or anyone you know, is interested the adverts can be found here:

<https://villagesaintspartnership.demat.org.uk/staff-vacancies>

Visits and chats welcome.

Readers

Do you have an hour you could spend listening to children read each week?

Reading is a life skill and a wonderful gift to give to a child in either of our schools.

Please let the office know if you can help our children to love reading.

Training will be given.

Please let your class teacher or the office know if you are available and interested in this opportunity.

Lunchtime Clubs

Could you lead a lunchtime club one day a week? Maybe play some board games or watch a film with a small group of children. Do you have other ideas or talents? Please let the school office co-ordinator, or your child's teacher, know.

Parent chat

The next parent chat sessions are coming up – Thursday 29th January. You are welcome to join us at 9am at St Martin or 2.30pm at All Saints to chat about life in school, both what we've done and what's coming up. Questions and suggestions welcome but for matters concerning individual children please contact your child's teacher or Mrs Howe separately.

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Vocational Afternoons

Science week will be w/c 9.3.26. We will be holding our vocational afternoons on Wednesday 11th March at All Saints, and Thursday 12th March at St Martin's.

Whatever your job is we'd really appreciate you sharing it with the children. Our aim is to demonstrate that there are lots of careers that can be aspired to and it's worth doing your best now so that the choice is as wide as possible when they are older.

It's a totally non-threatening situation that staff and pupils have always enjoyed. Please let your child's teacher or our office co-ordinator know if you can help. Thank you!

JOBS



All Saints

Mathematician	Writer	Presentation
Saturn	Skylah	Brooks
Jupiter	Ethan	Billy
Neptune	Reggie	Joshua
Mars	Teddy	Jenson

St Martin

Mathematician	Writer	Presentation
Explorers	Albert	August
Adventurers	Ezra	Finley
Investigators	Louie	Evie-Mae
Seekers	George	Miller
Voyagers	Eve	Jesse
Researchers	Kieran	Lily



Times Tables Awards



Jupiter	Jadon	Investigators	Charlotte
Neptune	Oakley	Seekers	Evelyn
Mars	Leticia	Voyagers	Emma
		Researchers	Betty

The children's commissioner has recently published a new guide, [What I wish my parents or carers knew: A guide for parents on managing children's digital lives](#).

One young person told her: "Don't be afraid to be firm... If you are worried [that] your child is seeing harmful content and you don't know what they're watching and it's affecting the behaviour, just take it that you know best – they don't."



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Attendance

ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW

GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MEANS...



Attendance: Our expectation is at least 96%			
All Saints		St Martin	
Saturn	97.5%	Explorers	99.44%
Jupiter	95.7%	Adventurers	94.55%
Neptune	92.96%	Investigators	98.28%
Mars	95.2%	Seekers	94.55%
		Voyagers	98.12%
		Researchers	98%
Total for the school	94.12%	Total for the school	96.87%
Oh no!		Well done!	

			
All Saints		St Martin	
Deer	477	Sandringham	300
Badger	439	Blickling	313
Owl	517	Houghton	335
		Oxburgh	385

DigiFest 2026 - Free activities at your library

Help us to spread the word that DigiFest returns to Norfolk libraries this February, bringing a month-long celebration of free, exciting digital creativity for children and young people up to age 16.

Click the link above for more details.



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<div>  <h2>CALENDAR</h2>  </div>			
Our special value this half term is: Forgiveness			
	All Saints	Partnership	St Martin
20 th January			Library Lorry
29 th January		Parent Chat Group	
5 th February	Library Lorry		Voyagers Visitor
6 th February		Number Day Researchers and Mars on Visit	
10 th February		Safer Internet Day	
16 th – 20 th February		Half Term Holiday	
17 th February		Chinese New Year Start of Ramadan	
18 th February		Ash Wednesday Start of Lent	
27 th February		Seekers & Voyagers Vsit	
1 st March		St David's Day	
4 th March		Holi	
5 th March	Library Lorry	World Book Day	
9 th March		Science week Starts Vocational Days TBC	
15 th March		Mothering Sunday	
17 th March		Parent Consultations	Library Lorry
18 th March		Parent Consultations	
20 th March		Red Nose Day	
23 rd March		FGB LKS2 production TBC	
26 th March			Investigators Visit
27 th March		Church	
Last Day of half term: Friday 13th February First Day of next half term: Monday 23rd February Last Day of term: Friday 27th March			
Non-contact days this year: 1st & 2nd September, 24th October, 5th January, 13th April			



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St Martin at Shouldham

Early Years Garden

We have some lovely new things for the Early Years Garden but we need a handy 'person' to help us put them up.

Can you help us please?

If you can please let Mrs Goodrum or Miss Stannard know.

Thank you!

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*Have a lovely weekend.
I look forward to seeing you all bright and early on Monday morning.
Don't forget that **lessons start** at 8.45am.
Katherine Howe*



This half term at Holkham they are celebrating **THE FESTIVAL OF LITTLE STORIES**

Join them for some fun book related activities including storytelling, local author meet and greets, illustration workshops and a whodunnit story trail around the Park. The Norfolk Children's Book Centre pop-up shop will be with us for the festival duration too.

No charge, other than for parking.

https://www.holkham.co.uk/whats-on/february-half-term/?utm_source=Holkham&utm_campaign=1eddf80d6-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_WHATS_ON_IN_JANUARY_2026&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_8f49541780-1eddf80d6-345368005



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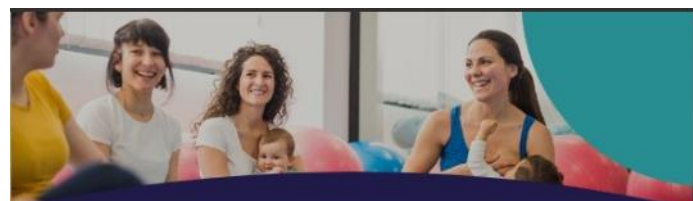
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Family Hub Drop In

Advice and support for parents and carers of children and young people from conception to 19 (25 for young adults with SEND).




Your local family hubs team are ready to help, and this month your Community Worker, Sarah will be at the following venues ready to listen and support you to find the right help.

Date	Time	Venue
06 January	09:00 - 11:00	Swan Parents' Group
13 January	15:00 - 16:30	Downham Market library
20 January	15:00 - 16:30	Downham Market library
03 February	09:00 - 11:00	Swan Parents' Group
17 February	15:00 - 16:30	Downham Market library

Family hubs can help with advice and support with:

- health and wellbeing
- mental health
- parenting
- relationships
- finding activities and groups
- infant feeding
- money and work
- housing
- SEND
- support for dads
- substance misuse
- transition to adulthood

and so much more...





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New, Free PEEP Move group for parents, carers and their toddlers

Join the family hub and Alive Active Community for fun move and play sessions

When:
6 sessions in January and February starting from Tuesday January 13th 10:00am-11:00am

Where:
St. George's Hall, St George's Hall Complex, 16/18 High Street, Methwold, IP26 4NT

Cost:
Free

Email cspartnercommunitywest@norfolk.gov.uk to book and receive more details.

family hubs **BEST START IN LIFE** **ALIVE** Part of: Borough Council of King's Lynn & West Norfolk **peep** learning together programme



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Swan Youth Project

Swan Youth Project is based at the heart of the community in Downham Market. We support young people from age 8 plus their families with a wide range of high quality services.

We work with a Trauma Informed approach, getting to know our young people really well.

One size does not fit all

Our current services are:

- Open Access Youth Groups
- 1:1 support for mild/emerging mental health
- Family Support
- Parents Drop-in
- Young Carers Support
- Hygiene Bank
- More than a Bike
- Alternative Provision
- Assemblies and workshops
- Vocational Trips/sessions
- Residential Trips

“ I like seeing my friends and having a place I can go to feel supported and appreciated and I feel welcomed ”

www.swanyouthproject.org
01366 386259

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Do you have space in your home and heart to foster a child?

As a not-for-profit, we reinvest in our foster carers, providing full training, a dedicated social worker, monthly funding, and all the support you need so you're never alone on this incredible journey.

break-charity.org/foster



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We are pleased to announce the relaunch of Ask Norfolk Parents.

The Ask Norfolk Parents online community is a safe and supportive place for families of children and young people in Norfolk to share experiences, find information and gain peer-to-peer support from each other and it's FREE to join.

The group is hosted on HealthUnlocked, a social networking service for health.

HealthUnlocked is a safe and secure environment where people can join communities and conversations about health. They can share experiences and get questions answered by peers and professionals, all led by trusted organisations.

Join Today!
healthunlocked.com/one-norfolk-parents



Shouldham FC
U10 Girls
New Team Forming!

Calling all girls aged 9–10 who love football or want to give it a go!

We're excited to launch a brand new U10 all-Girls team at Shouldham FC and we're looking for enthusiastic new players to join us!

Meet the Manager Lee Morse
We're thrilled to welcome Lee Morse to the club as manager of our new U10 Girls team. Lee brings great energy, experience, and a passion for helping young players grow in confidence and skill.

Interested? Get in Touch!
Whether you're brand new to football or already love the game, we'd love to hear from you.
Contact: Lee 07771 333227

WINNERS
UEFA WOMEN'S EURO 2025

#LET GIRLS PLAY



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