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Newsletter 327, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Dear Parents and Friends,



We have been so proud of our Year 6 children this week. They have worked so hard and done their best in their assessments. There are lots of nasty colds around, but never the less the children showed resilience and concentration. Well done everyone! School is not over yet though, we continue to learn throughout the summer term, and to celebrate lovely events like sports day, visits and sleepovers. Please keep an eye on the calendar below so nothing is missed and children are in school as much as they possibly can be. Thank you for all your support.

## Partnership News

### Weekly Worship Focus

worship this week has been all about plants. We talked about Jesus the Vine, and asked ourselves what sort of fruit we are producing in our daily lives. Our biblical reference this week has been John Chapter 15, verses 1-8.

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.

### Walk to School Week

Walk to School Week is run by the charity Living Streets and is a yearly event to raise awareness of walking and other active ways to travel. This year's event will be taking place 19 - 23 May 2025.

In school we're going to have a competition to see which class has the most walkers. If you live a long way away we will also count you as walkers if you park off site (not on The Green in Shouldham) and walk in. You might even be lucky enough to receive an on the spot prize.

There is a new Tales of the Road booklet [Tales of the Road – THINK!](#) that is now available and is designed to help parents and schools increase road safety skills.

The updated booklet remains a key tool in helping children walk, cycle, and travel safely near roads. It includes easy-to-follow advice on crossing safely, understanding road signs, and developing good travel habits.

The book contains lots of information, advice and interactive questions for young road users, but in a shorter booklet making it ideal for those looking for a print-friendly version to use in schools, or at home. The new guide can be downloaded here [Tales-of-the-Road-Shorter.pdf](#).

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## Attendance



Attendance: Our expectation is at least 96%

All Saints		St Martin	
Saturn	95.33%	Explorers	98.33%
Jupiter	97.08%	Adventurers	98.21%
Neptune	98.46%	Investigators	98%
Mars	94%	Navigators	93.68%
		Discoverers	95.70%
		Voyagers	98.18%
		Researchers	100%
Total for the school	96.21%	Total for the school	97.26%
Well done.		Fantastic!	

All Saints				St Martin			
	Sports Person	Writer	Musician		Sports Person	Writer	Musician
Saturn	Annie	Arthur M	Billy	Explorers	Vonnie	Ezra	Bonnie
Jupiter	Jadon	Roman	Elanna	Adventurers	Rupert D	Joshua	Orla
Neptune	Finn	Abigail	Tommy S	Investigators	Chester	Elodie	Sienna
Mars	Oliver P	Riley E	Harvey G	Navigators	Arlo G	Una	Florence
				Discoverers	Lauren	Daisy	Henry
				Voyagers	Esmee	Sky	Jacob
				Researchers	George J	Joshua	George P



## Times Tables Awards



Jupiter	Eleanor	Investigators	Finley
Neptune	Evan	Navigators	Leo
Mars		Discoverers	Oscar
		Voyagers	Oaklie
		Researchers	Sienna



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All Saints		St Martin	
Deer	530	Sandringham	1011
<b>Badger</b>	<b>642</b>	Blickling	1018
Owl	581	<b>Houghton</b>	<b>1145</b>
		Oxburgh	1037



## Parent and Toddler stay and play St Martin at Shouldham Primary School

Every Tuesday in our pre-school

- \* Starting 3rd June
- \* 9.15am-10.30am
- \* 0-5 years
- \* Indoor and Outdoor provision
- \* Run by Pre School Staff
- \* No charge

For more information please contact the school office:  
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## Goodbye and Best Wishes

Next week is the last week that Mrs Blount will be working in our partnership. It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye, as she has been with us for a long time and has made a difference to lots of children's (and adults) lives. Thank you Mrs Blount for all that you have done for us! We will miss you. Best wishes with all that you are moving on to do.



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 <h2>CALENDAR</h2> <p>Our special value <b>this</b> half term is: <b>Hope</b></p> 			
	All Saints	Partnership	St Martin
19 <sup>th</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup> May		Walk to School Week	
<b>26th – 30th May Half Term Holiday.</b> <b>Children return to school on 2<sup>nd</sup> June.</b>			
2 <sup>nd</sup> June			Researchers swimming lessons begin
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Mars swimming lessons begin		
6 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5 Sleepover		
9 <sup>th</sup> June	Father's Day Workshops		
10 <sup>th</sup> June			Library Lorry
13 <sup>th</sup> June		EYFS & KS1 to Sandringham	
18 <sup>th</sup> June			Photos
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day		
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Photos		
24 <sup>th</sup> June		Parent Chat	
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Library Lorry		
27 <sup>th</sup> June			Sports Day
30 <sup>th</sup> June		Y6 Parliament Visit	
4 <sup>th</sup> July		Y3 late night and Y4 Sleepover, at All Saints. Reports	
8 <sup>th</sup> July			Library Lorry
21 <sup>st</sup> July		Roll Up	
22 <sup>nd</sup> July		Church	

### Have you visited the mobile library?

Please do send your child to school with their library card when the mobile library visits (and tell the teacher they have it). At all Saints it comes in the morning but at St Martin it comes at the end of the day, so you could drop in at pick-up, or your child could go from After School Club. Please do use this service so we do not lose it.



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## St Martin at Shouldham



### Tesco Fund Raising

For the months of May and June, in Downham Market Tesco, you will be able to vote for our new project 'Learning in the Evergreens'. We will use monies awarded to enhance the outdoor area of our Pre-School. Please support our project and encourage your friends and family to do so.

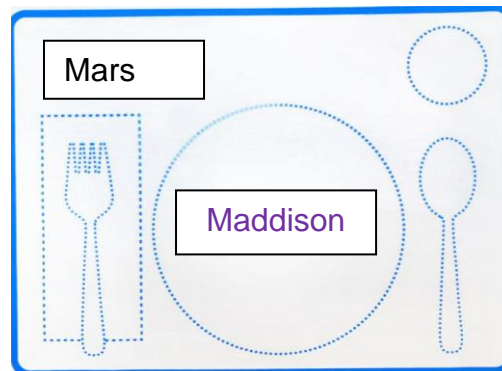
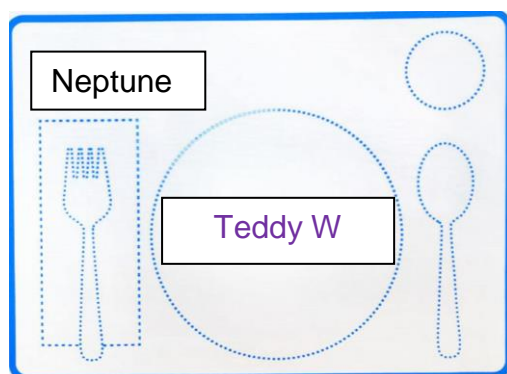
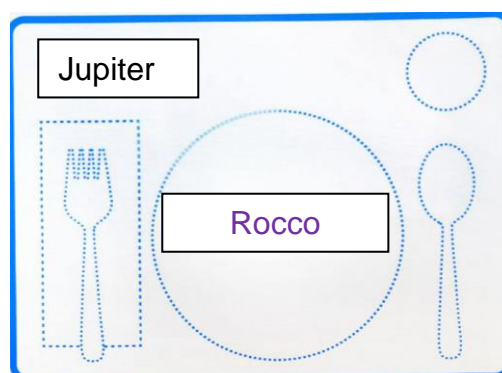
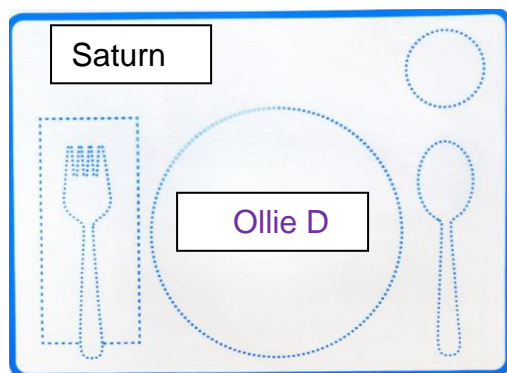


### Class Reading Volunteers

Do you have a regular afternoon that you could spend in school listening to children read, and enjoying books with them? This is an opportunity to really make a difference in children's lives. If you think you might be able to help please let the office know and we'll ensure you have all the tools that you'll need.

## All Saints News

### Lunchtime Legends





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## could you foster?

**we urgently need foster carers in your area**

**Orsted Outstanding Provider**

We can help you to provide a young person with a stable, secure home.

Call us on 0800 389 0143  
Visit us at [www.nexusfostering.co.uk](http://www.nexusfostering.co.uk)

**nexus fostering**

## 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](http://break-charity.org/foster)

**break**  
Changing young lives

## Community Drop-In for Parents, Carers & Young People

Come along and meet **Sarah**, your Community Worker, who will be ready to answer your questions and share information about a wide range of activities, groups and organisations that can help you with family and parenting issues.

Wednesday 7th May	Downham Market Library	10:00am-12 noon
Tuesday 13th May	ECFS Stay & Play Downham	10:00am-11:00am plus FREE family dental play session with Community Dental Services
Wednesday 14th May	Downham Market Library	10:00am-12 noon
Tuesday 20th May	Swan Parents' Group	10:00am-11:00am
Tuesday 20th May	Love Downham shop	11:15am- 12:15pm
Wednesday 21st May	Downham Market Library	10:00am-12 noon
Thursday 29th May	Downham Market library	16:00pm-18:00pm

You can find out more about our family hubs approach online, just click on the QR code

**Start for Life**

## Ask Norfolk Parents

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](http://healthunlocked.com/one-norfolk-parents)

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KING'S LYNN  
PE30 1DL

**THE GARAGE**  
14 CHAPEL FIELD NORTH  
NORWICH  
NORFOLK  
NR2 1NY

**WEDNESDAY 28 MAY 2025**

🕒 10AM – 11AM: AGES 5–9  
🕒 11.30AM – 12.30PM: AGES 10–16

**BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!**  
SPACES ARE LIMITED, SO DON'T MISS OUT!  
SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT THE LINK BELOW  
TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT:

👉 [SIGN UP FORM](#)

**PLEASE NOTE - TRANSPORT NOT INCLUDED**



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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](http://www.swanyouthproject.org)  
01366 386259

[f theswanprojectl](https://www.facebook.com/theswanproject/)  
[dmswanyouthproject](https://www.instagram.com/dmswanyouthproject)

### Current Timetable

#### Monday

More Than A Bike: 4pm - 6pm

“Swan centre has done SO much for my son's confidence and social life over the years. Thank you guys for always providing an interesting, engaging and safe space for our kids to be kids”

#### Tuesday

Parents Drop-in: 9am - 11am

Young Carers Check-in: 4pm - 4.30pm

Open Access: 4.30pm - 6.30pm (from age 8)

#### Thursday

Alternative Provision: 9.15am - 2.45pm (yr 4,5,6)

Young Carers Check-in: 3.30pm - 4pm

Junior Open Access: 4pm - 6pm (from age 8, at primary)

#### Friday

Young Carers Check-in: 4pm - 4.30pm

Senior Open Access: 4.30pm - 6.30pm (high school age)

#### Daily

1:1 Support

Family Support

We welcome visits to our project, so please get in touch if you would like to look round and speak with staff



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