



Thomas Bullock Church of England Primary and Nursery Academy

"Let your light shine" Matthew 5:14-16

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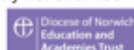
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Dear parents, carers and friends of The Nightingale Federation

What a fantastic experience our children in years 3, 4 and 5 had at the Norfolk show this week. The children visited many activities, the Discovery Zone and the Sugar Beet Trail, the STEMM village, the Emergency Services Zone, the Broads Village, the Livestock area and had enormous fun taking part in the 'Pig Race'. The school choir performed on the Schools' Stage singing 4 songs they have been practising during choir club. They sung beautifully and we are so proud of them and Miss Crane for doing such a wonderful job. We arrived back at school at 5.15pm feeling tired but excited to share our day. I would like to thank the many staff who gave up extra time to accompany the children with a special thank you to Mr Kyte, Mrs Yeoman and Mrs Chard for coming along to help – it was a great team effort!



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WOW MOMENTS!

William (yr 4) has worked hard and earned his orange sash at Kung Fu!

Isaac (yr 6) along with his horse, Mr Pickle, attended the Royal Norfolk Show in the Veteran Class, they got 6th place out of a strong line up of 16 competitors.



The Royal Norfolk Show 2021

Please remember to continue to send in your **WOW** moments for achievements out of school
<https://forms.gle/DV4RoVbQQGpjcUMV7>

Shining Lights of the Week

- Ark Nursery **Eddie** for his incredible kindness towards others, as well as insects and animals. Eddie demonstrates great care day to day towards his peers and shows concern if they are hurt or upset. He also shows care within the outdoor environment when he finds living creatures, ensuring they are safe and happy.
- Antarctica Class (R) **George Tu** for being a kind and caring member of our class who always shows respect for our classroom and wider school environments.
- Oceania Class (yr 1) **Jude** for some fantastic innovations to the story of, 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. He has invented a new animal character, an imaginative setting and a new mode of transport for the characters to travel by. We can't wait to read Jude's finished story!
- Africa Class (yr 2) **Luca** for being a brilliant asset to Thomas Bullock on our trip to Banham Zoo. He asked thoughtful questions and used his lovely manners during our discovery session.
- Europe Class (yr 3) **Izzy** for her excellent Ancient Greek myth. It contained so many of the features of excellent writing as well as the story being a really excellent adventure.
- S America Class (yr 4) **The whole class** for their excellent behaviour at the Norfolk Show. They were enthusiastic about the exhibits, thoughtful towards each other and polite to members of the public.
- Asia Class (yr 5) **The whole class** for their excellent behaviour at the Norfolk Show. They were enthusiastic about the exhibits, thoughtful towards each other and polite to members of the public.
- North America (yr 6) **Dolcie** for the effort she has put into her part in our rehearsals for the end of year show this week. She has really shone with her confidence and attitude to learning her lines.

This week's overall attendance 96% Asia Class (yr 5) 96%

OUR KEY LEARNING QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Year Group	Key Learning Question of the week
1	What do people do at the seaside?
2	What is it like to live in rural Kenya?
3	How did Athens and Sparta become powerful city-states?
4	What are some of the most significant human-made landmarks in the USA?
5	Who made advancement in science, mathematics and medicine!
6	How have people protested for racial equality?



Ark Nursery and Antarctica Class (yr R)

Thank you for attending sports day for Nursery and Reception on Monday and joining for an afternoon picnic. It is always exciting to see our children try their best at a number of athletics events and our Year 6 leaders really demonstrated our vision and values.



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Africa Class (yr 2)

Year 2 had an amazing day at Banham Zoo where they got to observe a range of different animals. They had a discovery session where they explored the question 'who lives where?' and sorted animals into animals from the ocean, savannahs and jungles. They attended a giraffe talk where they were able to ask lots of questions and discover the answers. The children also got to meet their friends from Lyng in Year 1 and 2!

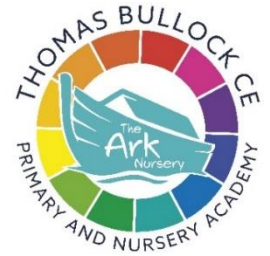


South America Class (yr 4)

In DT this week, ahead of us making our cornbread to link to our America topic, we tasted different types of bread. We rated them based on likes and dislikes, taste, texture, smell and appearance. The children had lots of fun and enjoyed it.



The Ark Nursery Newsletter



This week

Monday was sports day. We had so much fun in the sunshine with our families. To cool down after, we dunked our feet and splashed in cold water. In phonics, we began our whole class writing in phonics this week, in readiness for September. Instead of smaller groups, we sat and listened amazingly as Miss Bell-Tye told us a sound, we then found the sound on our sound mat, repeated the handwriting rhyme as we wrote the letter in the air, before putting pencil to paper! We've also had lots of storytelling this week - the children are loving traditional tales. We placed our Goldilocks wanted posters around school and are still waiting to hear if anyone has had any sightings! We've been getting messy with shaving foam, cooling down with water play and cold orange slices and enjoying some stories together in the shade.

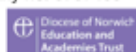


Next week

We move onto our literacy learning surrounding the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We have lots of exciting activities planned for this too! During maths, we will look at recapping number composition. As well as lots of other activities that you'll see on Tapestry, we will also be preparing for our Nursery graduation for our older children and talking lots about transitions!

Learning links at home

- Mark make outside using chalk or water!
- Practise ball skills on your own or with an adult. Can you throw the ball? Can you catch the ball? Can you kick the ball?



DIARY DATES

JULY

- 1st Sports Day
- 3rd to 5th Year 6 Residential
- 8th Federation Church Service at Dereham 9.15am*
- 9th Reserve Sports Day*
- 10th Yr 6 Performance at 5.45pm
- 11th Yr 1 Trip to Wells Heritage Centre and Beach
- 11th Yr 6 Charlie & the Chocolate Factory at Northgate*
- 12th Leavers Service and End of Year Awards (afternoon)
- 12th Yr 6 BBQ @ 4.15pm and Production at 5.45pm
- 13th FOSS Summer Fete
- 15th Nursery Graduation at 2.30pm
- 16th School Disco
- 17th, 18th, 19th Year 6 transition days (Northgate & Neatherd)
- 18th Last day of term
- 19th INSET Day School Closed

2024/2025

September

2ND and 3RD INSET days

- 4th School re-opens and children return
- 23rd School Photographer (individual and sibling photos)

October

Half term 28th – 1st November

November

- 22nd Flu Vaccinations year R to 6

December

- 20th last day of term

Christmas holiday 23rd December – 6th January

February

Half term 17th -21st February

April

Easter holiday 7th-22nd April

May

5th Bank holiday

12th – 16th May KS2 (yr 6) SATs week*

Half term 26th – 30th May

June

2nd Inset Day – school closed

July

22nd Last day of term

Summer holiday commences 23rd July

* New addition