



Newsletter

Friday 4th October 2024

Our school value for next half-term is:

Bravery

Being brave is when we face our challenges, threats or difficulties. It involves facing our fears rather than avoiding them. We can be physically brave, psychologically brave and morally brave.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the first newsletter of this school year. It has been great to see the children settling into their new classes with their new teachers so well - it's setting out to be a brilliant school year.

I would like to say thank you to everyone for making me feel so welcome at Antingham and Southrepps. It has been wonderful getting to know all the children and their families. If I haven't yet said hello to you, please do come and say hi at the gate in the morning!

We are now well and truly into this first half term, and the children have already been incredibly busy with many different lessons and activities. We welcomed Lorraine back this half term, and the children have been enjoying their dance workshops with her.

Further to my previous letter, I'd like to remind you to use the booking system for breakfast club to ensure we have the appropriate staffing and resources in place for each session. Your cooperation with this is greatly appreciated.

As the weather begins to get colder, please ensure that your child comes to school with appropriate clothing, including coats, hats and gloves, to keep warm during playtime and lunchtime.

Lastly, a reminder about Mr Elcock's Federation Headteacher's Update Meeting on **Monday 21st October 2024**, from 9:00am to 9:30am in the main hall.

Thank you for all your support, and I want to wish you all a happy and successful school year.

Many thanks,
Mrs Davenport
Senior Teacher



Year 6 Parents High School Deadline

Do not forget you need to have applied for high school places by **Tuesday 31st October 2024.**



Jeans for Genes Day

We would like to say a massive thank you to all those that helped support Jeans for Genes Day. The day was a big success as everyone put on their jeans to raise awareness and money for this fantastic charity.

We raised **£40.50.**

Designated Safeguarding Leads

The role of the Designated Safeguarding Leads within the school is to ensure that our children feel safe, happy and supported.

Now and again families may experience difficulties which can leave you feeling overwhelmed and unable to cope with the stresses of everyday life. We all sometimes need someone to talk to, support you and to help guide you in the right direction. We can be that person.

We are available to talk to you regarding any concerns you may have. This can be about behaviour at home, family illness, family separations, domestic abuse or risk of harm to a child.



Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

Mrs Bourner (Federation Deputy Headteacher) Lead DSL

Mr Elcock (Federation Headteacher) Deputy DSL

Mrs Davenport (Senior Teacher) Deputy DSL

Mrs Flatman (Secretary) Deputy DSL



Happy Birthday



The following pupils celebrated their birthday during the month of **September**

Happy Birthday to You!

Owen (N1) Ofelia (N2) Finley (Y3) Alexa (Y4) Jamil (Y5)

The following pupils celebrated their birthday during the month of **October**

Happy Birthday to You!

Arabella (N2) Lola (Y1) Harry M (Y2) Mabel (Y4) Chad (Y6) Joshua (Y6)



Diary Dates – Autumn Term 2024

Please bear in mind that occasionally trips maybe arranged or cancelled last minute. This can happen for any number of reasons and we try, where possible, to give as much notice as we can. We also will often need adult volunteers to support on these trips. Thank you!

October 2024	
Tuesday 15 th October	Parent SEND Café – 2.15pm-3.15pm
Monday 21 st October	Federation Headteacher Update Meeting for Parents – 9.00am – school hall
Wednesday 23 rd October	Friends of Antingham – Halloween Disco – 3.00pm-5.00pm
Friday 25 th October	INSET DAY – children not in school today
Monday 28 th October-Friday 1 st November	HALF TERM

November 2024	
Tuesday 12 th November	Parent Workshop – “Supporting You With Your Child’s Behaviour: A Norfolk Steps Approach” – Session 1 – 1.30pm-3.00pm
Tuesday 19 th November	Flu Vaccination Programme for children YR to Y6 – with Norfolk Immunisation Team
Tuesday 26 th November	Parent Workshop – “Supporting You With Your Child’s Behaviour: A Norfolk Steps Approach” – Session 2 – 1.30pm-3.00pm
Wednesday 27 th November	LAST swimming lesson for Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 children

December 2024	
Sunday 1 st December	Friends of Antingham – Christmas Fayre -Southrepps Village Hall – 11.00am-3.00pm
Tuesday 3 rd December	Second Session - Flu Vaccination Programme with Norfolk Immunisation Team – for children who missed the first session.
Wednesday 11 th December	Year 6 & Year R National Child Measurement Programme with School Nursing Team
Friday 20 th December	END OF AUTUMN TERM
Monday 23 rd December to Tuesday 7 th January 2025	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

January 2025	
Wednesday 8 th January	Children return to school for the Spring Term 2025

2024-2025

Please note that these dates differ slightly to the holiday dates of some neighbouring schools.

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Key: White dates - Schools open to pupils
 Yellow dates - Pupil holidays
 Red dates - Bank holidays
 Blue dates - Staff training days

Staff training days are the 2nd & 3rd September 2024, 25th October 2024, 6th & 7th January 2025, 26th & 27th June 2025 and 23rd July 2025. The training day on 23rd July will be disaggregated over twilights throughout the year and schools may also choose to use twilight hours for other staff training days.



What have we been learning?

Henri Matisse Class - The children have been learning our routines and rules of the classroom. They have settled in well, making new friends and learning how to share and be kind to one another. We have been exploring our topic called 'me and my community', talking about our families and homes and how similar or different they are to one another.

In our outdoor area, the children have enjoyed exploring our mud kitchen, playing with our musical instruments and developing our muscles using our bikes.



In bushcraft, the children were very excited to find blackberries in our garden on the school field. They have enjoyed hunting for bugs and eating wild mint.

Georgia O’Keeffe Class - We have had a brilliant start to the year in Georgia O’Keeffe Class. The children have settled in well, especially Year 1, who have adapted to a completely new school routine. They are thoroughly enjoying our English book, Troll Swap by Leigh Hodgkinson, and are now creating their own characters to use in their writing project at the end of the term.

In maths, the children have been focusing on place value, exploring new strategies to better understand it while revisiting previous learning to strengthen their skills. In RE, we have been learning about the concept of commitment. For the children, this means understanding the importance of keeping promises, staying dedicated to tasks even when they are challenging, and recognising the value of working hard to achieve their goals. They are learning that commitment involves responsibility and persistence in all aspects of life, from their friendships to their schoolwork.

In science, we have been exploring materials, learning about different natural materials and the human-made materials we use in everyday life. The children love art, where we have been working with primary and secondary colours. In PE, they are working hard and being mindful while doing yoga. Finally, we are thoroughly enjoying our dance workshop with Lorraine on Fridays, learning about the origins of samba and practising some amazing dance moves.



Takashi Murakami Class - It has been a fantastic start to the year for Takashi Murakami Class where all the children have made me feel very welcome to the school. They are enjoying our core text for English, 'Gorilla' and have been using this to explore the characters feelings and writing some great diary entries. We have also been reading 'Pig Heart Boy' as our class read which is about a boy who needs a heart transplant and decides to be the first person to ever have a pig heart transplant! They have all been working hard in their maths with recaps on place value to really secure their number understanding. In history they have been exploring Ancient African Empires and Kingdoms and have been conducting lots of research around this. Science has been really interesting where they have been learning about the heart and how it pumps blood around the body. PE has been lots of fun learning handball and it has been great to see their confidence in the water in swimming. Finally, Fridays have been fantastic with Lorraine teaching them about Mayan dancing.



