



# THE ACORN NEWSLETTER

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Mighty oaks from little acorns grow

Dear Parents and Carers

## Harvest Festival Donations

I would like to thank you all very much for your extremely kind and generous donations for our Harvest Celebration. All the food and toiletries have now been collected by Waveney Foodbank, who greatly appreciated all the items you sent in. Please see overleaf for some photos of the food collection and work presented.

## Parent/Carer Appointments

We look forward to welcoming parents and carers into school next week to meet with class teachers. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss how your child has settled into their new class and an opportunity for you to ask any questions to the class teacher. These appointments will be for a maximum of ten minutes to ensure that other parents/carers are not kept waiting. Please enter the building through the school office and walk down to wait outside your child's classroom area. There will be a map of the school available as you enter the building, with each classroom marked on. I look forward to seeing parents/carers on these evenings at school.

## Parent/Carers Views of the School

This half term, I have been collecting the views of staff and pupils about the school. I would also like to gather the views from parents/carers and also governors. Therefore, there will be an opportunity for you to share your views about the school using a paper form when you visit the school to meet with your child's class teacher next week. There will be three key questions for you to answer and you can write as much or as little as you prefer. Please give some thought to these questions over the weekend.

1. What do you consider makes Worlingham an 'outstanding' school?
2. What could make the school even better?
3. Is there anything that could be resumed following the lifting of Covid restrictions?

You can choose to add your ideas to the form whilst you wait to see your child's class teacher, or you may take it away and complete it at home. Please return all forms to the box in the entrance hall, as you leave the school, or send them back to the school office later in the week. Spare copies of these questions will be kept in the school office if you would like to pick one up from there.

Kind regards  
Holly Marchand  
Headteacher

## Parents' Evening Appointments

Thank you to those of you who have booked appointments to see your child's teacher next week. There are still some times available if you have yet to make an appointment.

Please speak to the school office if you would like some assistance booking an appointment.



## Toys

Please ensure that toys are not brought into school as this can cause distractions to learning, as well as the risk of them getting lost or broken.

The only exception to this is where teachers have asked pupils to bring things in for 'Show and Tell'. These items will just be shared as part of this session and are not to be taken outside at break or lunchtime.



## Family Group Photos Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November, 8.00am

If you wish to have your child(ren) photographed with siblings from another setting, please remember to return your slip to the school office so that we know how many families we are expecting. Thank you for your cooperation.



# Harvest Celebration

As part of our Harvest Celebration, each key stage contributed different work to share.

- In Years 5 and 6, the children created and shared Harvest poetry.
- In Years 3 and 4, the pupils wrote Harvest prayers.
- In Years 1 and 2, the children showed some Harvest themed pictures that they had completed.
- In Reception, we watched a slideshow of photos and activities that the children had completed as part of their learning about Harvest.



*Harvest Prayer  
by the Skylarks*

*Dear God,  
May this be a time to remember  
where we celebrate our generosity,  
We are grateful that we are able to  
support those in need,  
We thank the farmers who grow the  
delicious and nutritious food,  
We say thank you to God for the  
factories which ensure we  
have enough food,  
Thank you, God,  
for harvest day,  
Amen*

*Harvest Poem  
by the Eagles*

*Harvest is a time to share  
and give.  
Always thinking of those in need.  
Rain brings moisture to help  
things grow.  
Vegetables from the field fill our table.  
Everything changing to Autumn  
colours.  
Saving seeds to sow next Spring.  
Thank you, God,  
for the food we have.*



## Diary Dates

Tue 11 Oct – Parents Evening (Whole School) 3.30-6.30pm	Thu 8 Dec – Flu Immunisations Mop-up
Thu 13 Oct – Parents Evening (Whole School) 3.30-6.30pm	Mon 12 Dec – Y3/4 Performance 2pm
Thu 20 Oct – Last day of the half term	Mon 12 Dec – Y3/4 Performance 6pm
Fri 21 Oct – PD Day	Tue 13 Dec – EYFS Performance 10am
Mon 24 Oct – Half Term Week	Tue 13 Dec – EYFS Performance 2pm
Fri 4 Nov – Individual School Photos	Wed 14 Dec – Y5/6 Performance 2pm
Thu 17 Nov – Y6 Crucial Crew	Wed 14 Dec – Y5/6 Performance 6pm
Fri 18 Nov – Children in Need Day	Thu 15 Dec – Christmas Party Day
Fri 2 Dec – Christmas Foodbank Collection	Fri 16 Dec – Last Day of Term
	Tue 3 Jan 23 – PD Day
	Wed 4 Jan 23 – Pupils Return to School



### Beccles Library

Last Tuesday, a representative from the school was invited to attend a special celebration event to mark the refurbishment of the childrens' section of Beccles library. It was lovely to see how they have developed the space for children to enjoy sharing books. The children will have great fun exploring the different seating options, including a fantastic sensory den with various lighting effects!

There are also baby weighing facilities now provided.

We hope that you will get chance to pop in with your child/children to make use of these super facilities.



## Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns about any pupil at our school, please contact one of our designated safeguarding leads: Mr Brown, Mrs Jennings, Mrs Warnes, Mr Marchand or Mrs Gill.