

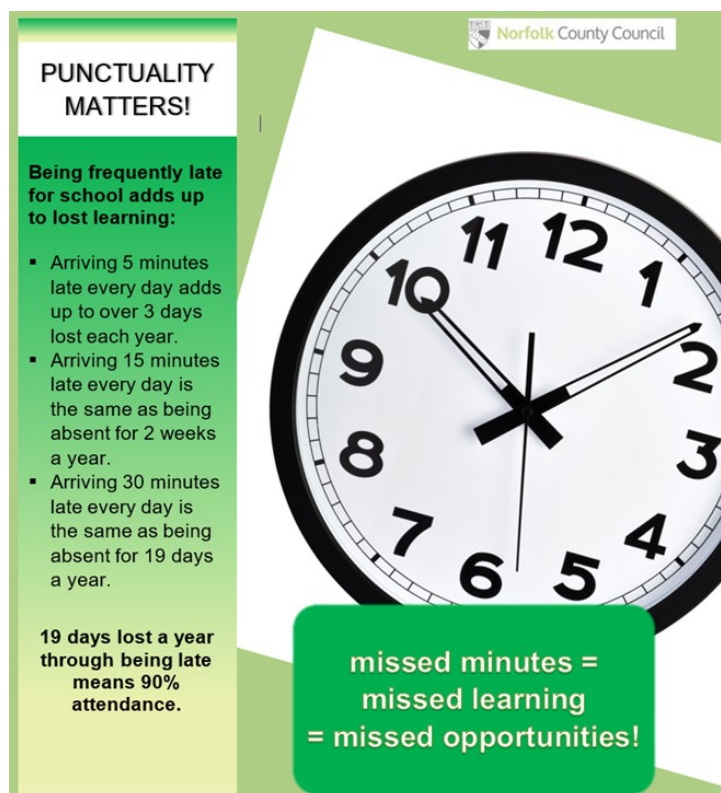


ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Top Attending Class for the Year so far is 1S with 97.36%.

We know that there has been a nasty virus going around school and if children have a temperature then they should stay at home; however, should they just say that they feel under the weather please do send them in and we'll let you know if they're not well enough to be in school.

As stated in a previous Parent Mail we have had several children arriving regularly late for school. This means that not only can children miss key messages at the start of the day but can also cause embarrassment for the children.



PUNCTUALITY MATTERS!

Being frequently late for school adds up to lost learning:

- Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year.
- Arriving 15 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 2 weeks a year.
- Arriving 30 minutes late every day is the same as being absent for 19 days a year.

19 days lost a year through being late means 90% attendance.

missed minutes = missed learning = missed opportunities!

SEN NEWS

Hello everyone, just a quick update on the SEN side of things. Please remember that there are SEN surgery appointments available from 2-4 on a Wednesday which can be booked through the school office. We are also hoping to run a SEN Parent cafe at some point and hope to invite the school's Education Psychologist along. Please let me know if this is something that you would be interested in! Also, keep an eye out for SEN related leaflets offering workshops and different provisions for SEN families. You can also access support on the Just One Number website or call 0300 300 0123.

Mrs Wall

YEAR 6 NEWS

In English, our Year 6 children have been learning about performance poetry. They have enjoyed learning and rehearsing W.H Auden's poem 'Night Mail'. The poem analyzes the impact of a night train carrying the mail through the Scottish countryside. The children performed the poem brilliantly and are now in the process of writing their own poem which explores 'modern day letters' such as emails and texts. We are looking forward to reading their work!

CURRICULUM NEWS

Our **CARES** curriculum prioritises the development of the whole child, learning about **C**ommunity, **A**spiration, **R**esilience, **E**mootional well-being alongside **S**kills and knowledge from the national curriculum.

For further information on the curriculum, please take a moment to watch our launch video, which can be found here:

<https://www.sheringhamprimary.norfolk.sch.uk/curriculum/cares-curriculum/>

We are also thrilled about our curriculum blog, which showcases all of our amazing curriculum work - please browse and comment on any of the posts:

<https://www.sheringhamcarescurriculum.blogspot.com/>

Since launching, the blog has received over 3500 hits. Thank you for all of your support with this!



A huge thank you to everyone who has supported with this project so far. You have been so kind and generous and have helped families to welcome their little ones into the world with your fantastic donations of clothes and essential maternity items. This year we made up and gave out 280 baskets compared to the year before which was 189! You can see below the baskets that were made up with your kind donations so a huge thank you again.



MEET THE GOVERNORS

I'm Heather Duxbury and the current Vice Chair of Governors.

I've been a school governor since my husband and I moved to Sheringham in 2016.

I enjoy working with children and have been a member of the Guide movement since I was seven. I couldn't believe my luck on arriving in Sheringham when I heard that the 2nd Sheringham Brownies were looking for someone with an interest in Craft and Cooking! This meant I could start volunteering and working with children. Some of the children came from the school and so inevitably I found myself drawn into volunteering there and then onto the Board of Governors. I am the link Governor for EYFS, which is an area of education which I feel very passionate about and often wish that there was as much attention and money given to it here as in countries like Finland.

I have lived abroad most of my married life and before I retired I was the Headteacher of an English speaking international school in Luxembourg. On retiring I wanted to live by the sea, but going back to my native Scotland seemed too far away from easy transport links to visit my children and so I moved here to Norfolk. I really enjoy travelling and seeing new places, theatre visits, listening to music, reading and gardening.



We are able to offer support with many family issues, so please do contact Mr Amies, at the school, if you would like to discuss anything that we might be able to help with.

We also have trained Domestic Violence Champions for Change in school. If anyone would like advice or information on this very sensitive area please contact Mrs Carter or Mr Amies.

WHOLE SCHOOL MOSAIC PROJECT

We are happy to announce that the Final Mosaic artwork, that the children worked on with our 'Artist in Residence' Kate Munro, now has pride of place in the School Entrance Hall. Last Summer term, Kate worked with the children across all of the year groups, with Mosaic inspired projects from paper mosaic to individual and group designs using the mosaic tiles. The older year groups helped Kate to make the beautiful finished piece featuring our school Logo and motto 'Be All That You Can Be ...'

We would like to thank Topps Tiles in Cromer for their generous donation of the tiles.

SAFEGUARDING

At Sheringham Community Primary School & Nursery we take the safety of our children very seriously.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you ever have a concern about a child or adult please speak to any member of staff who will support you, alternatively you can speak with our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mr Amies.

On our website, there are some helpful links to organisations and services that might be able to provide support for you, should you require, with such things as bereavement, benefits, debt, legal issues and more.

For more information on this, visit the safeguarding section of our website: <https://www.sheringhamprimary.norfolk.sch.uk/our-school/safeguarding/>

Our safeguarding policy is available here:

<https://www.sheringhamprimary.norfolk.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Safeguarding-Policy-2022.pdf>





The next Big Norfolk Holiday Fun scheme is back for the winter holidays from **19th December – 30th December**. Bookings are live now!

There will be a range of activities available all over the county, aimed at various ages. These include football, basketball, circus skills, arts and crafts and dance. It also involves music, cookery, film-making and much more!

It's a fantastic way to encourage children and young people to try new things whilst keeping their brains and bodies stimulated over the school holidays. All children taking part will also receive a nutritious free meal as part of the offer.

The scheme provides holiday activities for children and young people aged 5-16 in Norfolk. If your child is 4 years old but they are in school, they can take part.

There are a mix of paid for and free spaces. The free spaces are for children who are eligible for means-tested free school meals.

Sign up via the link below to find out about Big Norfolk Holiday Fun booking information and updates.

www.everymove.uk/inspiration/big-norfolk-holiday-fun-activities

If you are unable to access Every Move to book your Big Norfolk Holiday Fun activities you can call 0344 800 8020 or use the text relay service on 18001 0344 800 8020. Phone lines are open Monday – Friday, 9am-5pm. Music News

MUSIC NEWS

It's been another busy half term in the music room.

- Reception and Key Stage 1 have been working hard learning songs for their Christmas productions.
- Year 3 composing rhythmic patterns using vehicle names from the cartoon series, Wacky Races.
- Year 4 creating four and eight bar compositions in the key of C major.
- Year 5 learning how to play David Bowie's Space Oddity on tuned percussion.
- Year 6 learning to play Nick Cave's The Ship Song, in two parts, using glockenspiels and chime bars.
- The Young Voices choir have been working hard on

the repertoire for their show in January.

- Children taking part in the Winter Music Concert have been working hard on their pieces and are looking forward to performing on the 14th December in the school hall.

Listen out for performances on the school website/blog in the near future.

ASD FRIENDLY SCREENING



EARLY FINISH

Please don't forget that school finishes at 2.30 pm for everyone on the last day of term – Friday 16th December.



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