

Stoke by Nayland C of E Primary School

Newsletter- 6th May 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

As we reach the end of another busy and exciting week, we need to say a huge congratulations to Oak Class. On Tuesday, they went to Trinity Park to compete at the semi-finals of the Suffolk Farming School of the Year. Throughout the day, they were assessed on their ability to retain and share knowledge, their willingness to participate and their team work during five workshops. Our children were polite and engaged throughout every session, asking clear and thoughtful questions whilst being eager to answer the questions set. Five children from Oak will now be picked to represent the school at the finals of the Suffolk Show. If you were planning on attending the Suffolk Show during half term anyway (it is a lovely family day out) we will be on stage, competing against three other schools, at 11.00am on Wednesday 1st June. Please do come and watch and support our school.

Suffolk Farming School of the Year - Final

If parents and carers of children in Oak Class could ensure that all reply slips are handed back to the Office (by Monday) if your child is willing and able to participate at the event, we would appreciate that greatly. The deadline is Monday 9th May. If there are any queries or concerns regarding the event, please let us know. Thank you.

Sports Day - 28th June

Please be aware that we have added Sports Day to our diary dates below, it will be taking place on Tuesday 28th June. This year, we are opening the event up for parents to come and watch, to support the children. Following the main event, all families are invited to stay behind and enjoy a family picnic together. Thomas Gainsborough School Sports leaders will be arranging the activities for the children and supporting them during the morning.

History

This half-term our topic driver is History. In Oak class the children have begun learning about Ancient Greece and in particular Alexander the Great and his empire. Please do ask your children about this.

In Saplings and Chestnut class, they are learning about what a significant person in history is and have begun to find out about Florence Nightingale. Please do talk to them about their learning so far.

Whole School Art Project

Over the following half term we are creating a new whole school display in the hall. Please encourage your children to think about the things that they are good at and things that they like ready for the project.

Crucial Crew Trip - Monday 16th May

Please ensure that reply slips and any money for the Crucial Crew trip are returned by Wednesday 11th May. This trip teaches children how to react safely in unsafe circumstances and also teaches valuable lessons. There are a variety of volunteers and highly skilled members of different institutions who will tackle all of these issues. If you need another copy of this letter, please let the Office know.

SATS Breakfast Club- 9th to 12th May

While the Year 6 SATS take place, the school will be running a Breakfast Club from 8:30am. The aim is to ensure that everyone is at school at a good time and to provide a calm start to an important week. There will be pastries, toast and milk or fruit juice if they would like to eat something, but it is not necessary. There will be a number of things for the children to do to keep them relaxed and ready for their tests.

Mathletics

As a school we feel that the children's fluency in maths is crucial to their success in later life. To this end, we have purchased individual access for all of the children (R-6) to Mathletics. Please encourage your child to use Mathletics regularly to improve their maths fluency. Please talk to your child's teacher if you are struggling to access this.

Gold Book Award

Last week's Gold Book Awards went out to:

- *Saplings* - Lily W.
- *Chestnut* - Paisley
- *Oak* - Whole class

Well done to all the pupils who were given a certificate to celebrate all of the positive learning behaviours they demonstrated.

Diary Dates

- **6th May**- Final Kingswood Trip Payment Due
- **16th May**- Crucial Crew
- **16th-20th May**- Suffolk Walking Challenge

- **24th May** - WOW Writing Day
- **30th May-3rd June**- Half-term & Jubilee Bank Holiday
- **1st June (Half-Term)**- 11:00am, Suffolk Farming School of the Year Finals
- **6th June**- Non-pupil day
- **7th June**- Residential Trip Meeting (Years 5/6)
- **13th June**- Shared Reading Session
- **15th June**- Whole School Photos
- **22nd June-24th June**- Year 5/6 Residential Trip
- **28th June**- Sports Day, followed by a family picnic

Mrs Kelly McGrath-Wells

Head of School

Mr Andrew Frolish

Executive Headteacher

Courage	Respect	Peace	Justice	Creativity	Thankfulness	Perseverance	Trust	Compassion	Friendship	Hope	Truthfulness	Curiosity	Generosity	Service	Humility
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