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Dear Parents,

We made it to half term! Thank you so much for all of your donations and for so many coming along to our Harvest Festival. Your support made it really special for us and the children. Your generosity was wonderful to see. We look forward to delivering the donations to the foodbank so that it can be distributed to those in need.

Fox class saw the half term out in style with their fantastic Greek day.

They started the day with a breakfast of pancakes, honey, olives and dates. They learned about Greek architecture and chariot racing. Making their own chariots for a race - some creations working better than others! They finished the day learning about the Olympics and had their own indoor version which was fabulous fun.



We are sad to be saying goodbye to Mrs Farmer this week. She has given so much to Yaxham over the last 6 years, which we are incredibly grateful for. She was really thankful for the messages and gifts she has received this week, especially a joke book that the children created, perfect for her humour! I am sure you will all join us in wishing her all of the very best in her new role.



Special Awards last week

Hedgehog Class Freddie for being a superstar and working really hard all week

Badger Class Rosie for working really hard on her Maths with Mrs Jeffries.



Fox Class Annabel for having a fantastic attitude to learning and working really hard all week

Writer of the week Charlotte for a beautiful piece of writing

Book of the week Thank you to Jessica for sharing Charlotte Dujardin and Valegro's autobiography. The children enjoyed seeing a different style of book. Jackson has been chosen for after half term.



Finally, congratulations to Isla-May. She recently competed in the Norfolk copper county gymnastics competition, she performed some beautiful upgraded routines and earned herself gold on floor and bars and bronze for her all around score, securing her place and representing Norfolk at regional finals in November.

Other messages

Parent Meetings

Parent meetings will be held w/c 11th November. Appointments can be booked through the ParentMail App. These will become available for you to book on Monday 4th November. Please do get in touch if you have any issues booking.

Sands fundraising

A huge well done to John for his fundraising so far. The bake sale raised £155.50p, the non-uniform day £65.10p and 2 euros! Totals with the pumpkin raffle still to follow. We are still waiting for the pumpkin to be claimed. The winning ticket was **125**. Please let us know if this was your ticket. It is not too late if you would like to sponsor John directly, follow the link to his fundraising page: <https://fundraising.sands.org.uk/fundraiser/victoriacooper/ribbon-run>

School Meals

Please be reminded that from Monday 4th November the meal price increases to £2.70.

Cost of living vouchers

We have just received notification that cost of living vouchers, available to anyone whose children are entitled to free school meals, have been extended to March 2025. If you would like to check eligibility please visit the NCC website or contact the school office for further information norfolk.gov.uk/38166

Families in hardship and needing wider support

In addition to the offer of FSM vouchers for eligible families, there is support available for families who are facing hardship and need support.

Anyone experiencing hardship may be able to receive support through the Norfolk Assistance Scheme (NAS), which may be able to provide financial support including essential household items to families experiencing hardship. Wider support from a range of partners can then also be made available with NAS working alongside the Children's Services Community and Partnerships service.

Families may get in touch with NAS via their dedicated website at [Norfolk Assistance Scheme - Norfolk County Council](#), which includes an online application form, or if you cannot access the internet, call **0344 800 8020**.

Wishing you all a great half term. We look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 4th November.

Jennie Müller

Headteacher

Dates for your Diary:

2024

Monday 4th November - Children return to school

School Meal price increase

Thursday 7th November - Bags2School

W/C 11th November - Parent Meetings - Details to follow

Friday 15th November - Children in Need

Monday 2nd December - Decorations Day - Children to wear clothes you don't mind getting messy

Tuesday 10th December - Hedgehogs Nativity Dress rehearsal am

Hedgehogs Nativity performance pm

Wednesday 11th December - Hedgehogs Nativity performance pm

Monday 16th December - Book Before Bedtime 5pm Details to follow

Wednesday 18th December - Christingle 3pm St Peter's Church

Friday 20th December - End of term



Calling all Private Tenants and Landlords

Breckland Council is launching the 'Breckland Healthy Homes Service' to help prevent and tackle damp, mould and condensation in the private rented sector

Funded by the UK Government

The Healthy Homes project has been launched to test different approaches to improving damp and mould enforcement in private rented homes across a number of local authorities. The project was administered under the previous government and led jointly by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG), the Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC), and the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) and was funded through HM Treasury's Shared Outcomes Fund.



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We offer support, advice and guidance to private tenants and private landlords, this includes:

- Working with you to understand improvements that could be made to your home
- Helping you to understand and access funding opportunities
- Signposting for fuel tariff guidance, aiming to reduce utility bills
- Where necessary, using enforcement to make sure that your home is free from serious hazards

Report it!

Scan the QR code or visit www.breckland.gov.uk/housing for further information or to report a damp and mould issue. All information will be treated in the strictest confidence by our team.



- Help to understand the causes of damp and mould
Borrow home hygrometer/data logger kits
- Home visits
By our team to assess the health and safety standards in your home
- Remediation recommendations
Our experienced team will offer recommendations to improve the health and safety standards in your home
- Landlord forum
Expert advice and guest speakers including information on obligations and how we can support you
- Tenants clinic
Meet our team for guidance, support and for up-to-date information on your rights and responsibilities

Who are we?

Breckland Healthy Homes Service is provided by Breckland Council's Private Sector Housing Team.

We are committed to ensuring landlords are supported in providing decent, safe and secure living accommodation for their tenants.



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