

Nacton Church of England Primary

Newsletter

Spring 6



5th April 2019

Elmer's Big Parade:

We have now finished our Elmer and he has joined all the other Elmers at the St Elizabeth Hospice Elmer warehouse. We are delighted with how fantastic he looks and can't wait to see him again! He is going to make his first appearance at the Suffolk Show on 29th and 30th May, we are awaiting to hear where he will be located in Ipswich. Unfortunately we can't share full sized photos yet, but here is a sneak peak in case you missed seeing him.

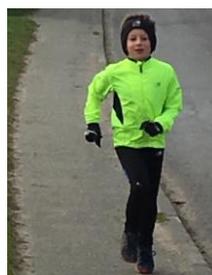


Thanks to your kind donations at the Easter Service we raised another £59.

Theo, Year 3, has been busy fundraising as well:

I completed my triathlon on Sunday. Felixstowe swimming pool gave me a lane to myself to swim in and let me start early at 9am. My Dad supported me and as I wasn't too worn out I swam an extra 2 lengths. I got my cycling clothes on and my Grandad met me outside. We rode the 7.5km together back to my house. I changed into my trainers and ran around our village with my Mum. In total I covered 10k with my swim, ride and run and finished in just under an hour. I really enjoyed the challenge and I'm really pleased to help raise money for St Elizabeth Hospice for our school Elmer. If you would like to sponsor me, I have a sponsor form in reception at school. Thank you!

Theo (Year 3).



St George's Day: We will have our traditional celebration of St George's Day by allowing pupils to wear any recognised uniform in to school on **Tuesday 23rd April**, the first day back after the Easter holiday. If your child has a Brownies, Rainbows, Scouts, Cubs, Beavers, Sea Cadets, Girls or Boys Brigade etc. uniform, then please encourage them to wear it. If your child plays for a local team e.g. football, karate, netball, they are also welcome to come to school in their team kit.

MDSA: Are you interested in joining our friendly and supportive team of Mid-day Supervisors? We are looking for someone to join our team, the working hours are from 11.45am until 1pm. If you would like to know more please speak to Mrs Whitman or Mrs Ryan. Thank you very much to Mrs Brock who has been an MDSA with us for several years who will be stepping back from this role.

Welcome: We are delighted to welcome Mrs Nice as a new teaching assistant who will be working with Leopards class. She will be starting on Monday 29th April.

End of Term Assembly: Following feedback we received from parents in the Autumn term we have made some changes to our End of Term Assembly. As well the attendance certificates, we also present certificates linked to our core values, singing, have the pupils share some of their recent learning and the very popular behaviour raffle. If you have any feedback, or further suggestions please let Mrs Ryan know.

The Multiplication Tables Check: You may be aware of the Government's plans for a statutory check of Year 4 pupils' times tables/multiplication knowledge which will begin next academic year in June. Please do continue to support your child with learning their times tables at home to ensure they are confidently recalling their times tables with ease. We will provide more information nearer the time.

News from Nacton Pupils

On Science Day, 21st March, we had Waldringfield, Bealings and Bucklesham come to us to have a day of interacting with science. The day started with all of us lining up in the playground to be grouped into three groups; Curie, Darwin and Franklin. Once in our groups, we set off to do our activities, which consisted of; Biology, Chemistry and Physics. In Biology, we practised how to stretch our muscles in the appropriate way as well as learning the names of each muscle. At the end of Biology we played a quick game of basketball. Next was Chemistry, during Chemistry we discovered that if you mixed red cabbage fluids with other liquids you can find out whether the liquid is acid or alkaline. We also worked out how dense certain liquids are, such as; washing up liquid, milk and blackcurrant squash. For the final time we switched activity to do Physics. In Physics, we were taught how to use a Eureka can to measure the density of an object. After we had measured several objects we went outside for a nice break and to say goodbye to the other schools. Science day was a wonderful experience and I would definitely do it again.

Louis, Year 6

Tigers visit to Easton Farm Park:

I liked holding the baby lamb. It was fluffy.

Ruby, Reception

I liked the biting pig and the rabbit.

Orin, Reception

I liked going on the zip line. It was so fast.

Kevin, Reception

On Friday 22nd March, Leopards went to Foxburrow Farm for our Science topic, plants. When we got to the farm we were introduced to the people that would be helping us. After that we were split into two groups. The first activity I did with my group was in a garden, when we got there to the garden we had to separate liquorice allsorts by describing what they look like. After we did that we got into partners for another task. For this task we had to get a petal or leaf and describe it to our partner so they can draw what they think it looked like. For the second activity we got a sheet in pairs and in those pairs we had to find different flowers. After that we went into a field to play a pollination game. After a long day of fun it was finally time to go back to school.

Quin, Year 4

Useful Contact Numbers

Premier Breakfast Club: The breakfast club runs every day from 8am at school. Please book your place at www.premier-education.com, can book in advance or the night before.

Looking for advice on your child's medical needs? Contact:

School nurse: 01473 275838

School Nurse Chathealth text number 07507 333356

Are you concerned about the welfare or safety of a child? Contact:

Customer First: **0808 800 4005**

Upcoming Dates

8th-22nd April Easter holiday

23rd April St George's Day

6th May Bank Holiday Monday

13th – 16th May Key Stage 2 SATs week

27th – 31st May half term holiday

29th June Summer Fayre

10th July Sports morning and picnic lunch

23rd July 10am Leavers' Service at St Martin's Church, leavers' lunch

25th July – 1st September Summer holidays

2nd and 3rd September PD Days (children not in school)

Please be aware that there is a chance that the dates of some events may change. If this happens, we will let you know as soon as reasonably possible.

Out of School Notices

The inclusion of details of extra-curricular, local and out-of-School activities in this Newsletter in no way implies that they are supported or endorsed by Nacton C of E Primary School, its Governors or any member of Staff. Parents are advised to make the appropriate enquiries regarding supervision, safeguarding, insurance and other matters.

Suffolk Libraries Children's Month:

Suffolk Libraries will be launching our Children's Month, to take place throughout April. This will launch next week on International Children's Book Day on 2 April and run throughout the month.

To help encourage greater use of libraries by children and families, Suffolk Libraries is also removing overdue charges for children's books from 1 April. Children's Month will celebrate everything the library service has to offer children of all ages; promote the broad range of children's activities and services for children and of course highlight the wonderful range of children's books on offer.

All of the county's libraries have been asked to nominate their favourite children's book and Suffolk Libraries will be sharing their choices and asking everyone to nominate their favourite children's book. You can enter your choice in a special survey with a chance to win a free iPad – a great way to discover all of Suffolk Libraries other online services!

For more information visit www.suffolklibraries.co.uk/childrens-month/ or to take the survey, go to <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/childrens-month>

