Nacton C of E Primary School

Half Termly Newsletter

Year 3 and Year 4 – Spring 2 2026

Dear families,
I hope you all had a fantastic February half term.
Please find an overview of our curriculum for the 1st Half of Spring Term including the areas of learning we will be focusing on in each subject.
As always, please do not hesitate to approach me at the end of the school day in the playground with any concerns/queries.
Miss Marsh

English

This half term, we will be creating a newspaper report based on our learning about volcanoes and earthquakes in geography.

In reading, we will be developing our comprehension skills through the VIPERS range of questioning and increasing our fluency through reading aloud sessions.

Maths

Our maths units of work this term will cover fractions and mass/capacity. This will involve identifying numerators/ denominators, exploring equivalent fractions and understanding improper fractions.

A link to resources to support this learning will be sent home as part of the home learning bundle.

Science

In Science, our unit of work is light. We will learn how to protect our eyes, types of lights and how light is reflected from surfaces.

We have also welcomed some cherry shrimp and platies. We have enjoyed learning each week about our new aquatic friends and are looking forward to welcoming some more this half term.

Geography

In geography, we will be exploring earthquakes and volcanoes. We will explore the effects that earthquakes and volcanoes have on human and physical features, as well as, how they are caused.



Computing

In Computing, our unit of work will focus on sequencing in programming using Scratch.
The unit focuses on skills required for learners to be able to design and code their own maze tracing program.

DT

In DT, we will be exploring battery operated lights. This unit focuses on circuits and selecting appropriate materials to make a working circuit.

Religious Education

We will be exploring the question- Why do Christians call themselves the 'body of Christ'?

Physical Education

The children will be participating in Swimming and developing their own confidence in their ability to swim.

PSHE

In PSHE, our unit of work is Economic Wellbeing. This will involve understanding that stereotypes sometimes exist about the jobs people do but these should not limit anyone.

	Additionally, the children will have the opportunity to engage with hockey.	
Music In Music, our unit of work is rainforests. This will involve body and tuned percussion creating musical rhythms.	French In French, the focus will be on a la mode.	Online Safety As part of online safety, children will focus on managing online information.

Important dates:	Home learning expectations:
Tuesdays – Swimming Tuesday 3rd March – SEN meetings (invitation only) Thursday 5th March – World Book Day (Dress up as your favourite character) Friday 20th March – Red Nose Day, Open Classroom Thursday 26th March – Easter Disco Friday 27th March- Easter Church Service, End of Term Reports	Thank you for all your continued support in accessing home learning. Home learning will be sent home on Monday. It will include the spellings for the whole of Spring 2. Accessing TTRS remains the same, with all accessing it for 21 minutes per week. Please continue to record reading at home on reading records. The expectation remains the same, reading at home a minimum of 4 times a week. Reminders: No jewellery on PE Days. Please note that PE days will continue to be a Tuesday and Thursday (with Tuesday being swimming).