



News Sheet

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9.11.22

Another busy week - Inspiring Creative Learners

Phonics Information Session for parents

We look forward to welcoming parents with children in Reception and Years 1 and 2 into school on Monday 14th November at 3:40pm. In this session we will explain our synthetic phonics program and show you some of the resources that we use to teach phonics in school. The session will take place in the school hall. Please contact the school office if you would like a free after school care place for your child for the duration of the meeting (Approx 30 minutes).

Farewell to John Grayson

As a school we endeavour to give our children a wide range of opportunities. We are able to give our children lots of sporting opportunities through our participation in Acle Cluster events. At our cluster cross country event last week we said a big thank-you and goodbye to John Grayson who has been the cluster's Extended Schools Coordinator for many years and has been responsible for organising and coordinating cluster events. I'm sure that you will agree that Freethorpes children have benefitted enormously from his hard-work and dedication. We wish John all the best for his retirement and look forward to welcoming a new coordinator to the cluster next term.

Acle Cluster Cross Country

On Friday 4th November we took 40 representatives (Yr 1 - Yr 6) from school to the Cluster cross country. The weather was absolutely great for cross country running and all the children did amazingly well. Each and every child finished their race, such an achievement. Yr 1/2 children ran for 625m, Yr 3/4 children ran 925m and the Yr 5/6 children ran over a distance of 1225m.

I am so proud to say everyone gained a sense of pride at representing the school, several children gained medals and we gained 2 trophies for our display.

As always **'Well done Team Freethorpe!'** Mrs George



Premier Education

Premier Education are working with us this term to deliver sessions in some more unusual sports. Last week some of our KS2 children enjoyed an archery session and we are looking forward to Lacrosse and Tri-golf sessions.



PTA, Friends of Freethorpe, News Flash Alert

At the latest AGM we had a brand new committee elected.. the committee roles are as follow:

Chairperson: Natasha Colman

Secretary: Georgina Huggins

Treasurer: Joe Crabb

Committee Helpers:

Kerrie Lewis-McDonald

Lisa Wicks

Nicola Sanderson

Mrs George

Now we are back to normal, the new team is looking to bring back some main events for fundraising so we are always looking for more helpers. It's fun, you can have a say in how the money raised is spent and you get to meet other parents/carers! 🙌

It's not a commitment, it's an offer of help every now and again.....many hands make light work, so we appreciate any help you can offer, please comment or email: fof@coastaltogether.co.uk if you would like to talk to one of the team. 😊

Attendance/Safeguarding

Attendance target set by the government = 96.1%

Current updated Freethorpe Primary School attendance= 95.11%
(Up to 8.11.22)

Dates for the Diary

Date	Time	Event
14.11.22	3:40pm	Phonics Information Event for KS1 parents R/1/2
1.12.22	2:30pm	Parent Share Event- Mount Everest Class- Indian Snacks
5-9.12.22	8:45 - 10am Daily	Preschool Open Morning Week
8.12.22	3pm	Parent Share Event- KS2- Victoria Falls, Grand Canyon and Northern Lights- Roman Army
13th, 14th, 15th. 12.22	2pm each afternoon	Nativity
14.12.22	7pm	KS2 Carol Concert Halvergate Church



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Coastal Together

This calendar applies to community schools, community special schools, VC schools and nursery schools and sets the days on which school transport will be provided. While most Foundation, VA, foundation special, free schools and academy trusts who are able to set their own dates, adopt the Norfolk Model, we advise you to check with your child's school before making holiday or other commitments.

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Key : White dates - schools open to pupils
 Yellow dates - pupil holiday
 Red dates - bank holiday



= Staff Training Days (The remaining 2 Inset Days will be disaggregated into 6 Twilights, 1 per Half Term)

All in-term holiday requests will be classed as unauthorised absences. This will likely result in a fixed penalty notice being issued from Norfolk County Council.

In Norfolk, penalty notices are issued in accordance with the Norfolk Local Protocol. In all cases a penalty notice can only be issued if the pupil has accrued at least 9 sessions (4.5 school days) of unauthorised absence within the previous 6 school weeks. This would result in a fine of £60 per child per parent ie; for a family with 2 children this would total £240

The leaflet below has more information about fixed penalty notices.

[Fixed Penalty Notices](#)