

Neatishead Update

March 2024

We have had a wonderful few weeks at Neatishead and I have really enjoyed all my visits to the school. It is a fantastic school where children thrive academically and are well supported by a caring staff team.

One of the things I am aware of is the lack of wrap around care. This is something that I will be looking to introduce for September. We understand it is very difficult for working parents so watch this space!

When the time comes, I wish you a restful Easter break.

Hayley Sonnex

Looking ahead

Friday 8th March 2024 – Mothering Sunday Assembly – 9am at school
Thursday 14th March 2024 – Norfolk Music Festival (separate information already sent out where applicable)
Friday 15th March 2024 – FONS Easter Party
Tuesday 19th March 2024 – Tag Rugby (separate letter sent where applicable)
Tuesday 26th March 2024 – Easter Service at school – 2pm
Wednesday 27th March 2024 – Library Van
Wednesday 27th March 2024 – Last day of term
Monday 15th April 2024 – Children return to school

Our core value this half term is PERSEVERANCE



Attendance

Whole School

95 %

1172 minutes of learning have been lost due to lateness.

Any absence impacts learning

School rules

All children need to come to school in full school uniform. This includes PE kits on PE days. Shoes must be worn with uniform.

8.40am school gates open, 8.45am registers close. After this time your child will be recorded as late. Please contact the school if your child is unwell.

3pm school ends. Please ensure you arrive on time to collect your child as staff have other responsibilities across the federation and may need to leave promptly.

Please ensure **ALL** items of clothing are named to help reduce the number of unclaimed items.

Children need to have a change of shoes in school if they want to play on the field.

ALL children must have a coat in school every day.

Help with living costs

You may be struggling with living costs for a range of reasons. This link tells you what support is available and how to get advice. You can also find this information on our website www.norfolk.gov.uk/costofliving. If you don't have access to the internet at home, you can go online at any of our Norfolk libraries.

There is also a cost of living hub provided by the government which contains useful information.



This can be found at www.gov.uk/cost-of-living. Winter 2023/24

The Parish Council have had complaints from allotment holders that children have been taking fruit and causing damage on the allotments after school. Parents were sat nearby while it happened. Please could we all respect the allotments and the produce growing. Thank you

Red Skippers

No day is ever the same in Red Skippers!



Peacocks Class



It's been a busy week of science in Peacock Class. Our compost has been emptied into the rotating chamber and is decomposing ready for the next school project. We conducted an experiment 'dancing raisins.' Please see our class page for more images!

Gatekeepers Class

We have had a fantastic week back. Here is a taste of what we've been learning...
In DT we have been thinking about possible staple diets in the Stone Age and learning how to use special stones to grind grain to make flour. The children had lots of fun but it was hard work! In Maths we have been comparing halves and quarters and adding fractions with the same denominator (e.g. $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{4}$) and looking at equivalent fractions. We used bread to help us understand the concept better. In English we have been learning to retell the story 'The Day the Crayons Quit' and making our own story maps using our English and Art skills.



Geography Club - Single Use Plastic Competition

Firstly, thank you to all of you for your support in helping to reduce the amount of single-use plastic waste for snacks and packed lunches. It was a fantastic project led by the children in Geography club and we have seen a real difference in the amount of single use plastic in school. Below is a photo of the winners from each worship group. Thank you also to the members of Geography club for all their hard work - what a great way to finish our club!

Mrs Morton



At the beginning of February, we took part in activities to support Children's Mental Health Awareness week with the theme 'My voice matters' including a special workshop provided by members of FONS.

