



The Waveney Valley Partnership
St Edmunds Primary School
Weekly Newsletter
Friday 11th October 2024

Message from Mr Lea

Wow – what an exciting week! The CIRCUS has been at Mendham and we got the chance to send Oak, Beech and Rowan classes to participate in workshops!

This was a very late addition to our School Calendar but one that we had to take advantage of!

I will always try to create special events and memories for our pupils whenever we can and my staff feel the same – already visits are being booked and confirmed for Spring and Summer terms! Exciting times to be part of the school!

I would ask for your cooperation in one matter related to the Circus. If you are attending one of the performances on Friday or Saturday then please show a great deal of consideration for our neighbours in the village. I would ask you not to block driveways or junctions.

Message from our New SENDCo



Jo Lawrence completed the Shine Norwich 10km walk on Saturday 5th October raising with her team mate just over £300. Jo underwent treatment for Breast Cancer in 2018 which included targeted therapy of Herceptin; a drug only licensed not long before her treatment. Jo continues to live without evidence of disease and in thanks for the amazing research completed by Cancer Research UK in enabling life-saving drugs like this; takes any opportunity to raise awareness and funds in support of the charity.

Pupil Responsibility News

Last week, Rosie, one of our Diversity Champions, led an assembly discussing Black History Month. This year, the theme is Reclaiming Narratives, and Rosie shared how important it is to listen to the stories of everyone, regardless of their race.

We all have a story to tell!

Our Junior Road Safety Officers, Herbie and Sophie, have also led a whole school assembly on International Walk to School month – they told everyone that it doesn't matter if you do not walk to school, but you can still take part in the game!

Next week, our Pupil Council are meeting to discuss how we can spend the £400 raised in sponsorship on Sports goods!

Message from Mrs Hinsley – Acorns Nursery

This week in acorns we have enjoyed our new story in phonics Whales on the bus and created our own actions to represent the verbs within the book, we then used the whiteboards and pens to draw some circles just like the wheels on the bus. We then used our imagination to make our own bus using the chairs and found a circular tray as the children said that they needed a steering wheel to drive the bus!

The children have been very imaginative this week with their role play and have enjoyed pretending to be babies and using the cosy corner as their own little nursery.



Message from Mrs Eaton - Oak Class

In Oak class, reception have been using language to talk about size. They had to decide if the objects would fit in the box and give an explanation for their thoughts. The children were using language such as "small" and "tiny" to describe the objects.



In RSHE this week we have been learning how to bandage a cut. The children used roller bandages to demonstrate their understanding. Arthur had Elliot carefully following the technique, wrapping the bandage diagonally across each other's hands. the children also learnt how to check their patient's circulation to ensure that the bandage was not too tight.

Message from Miss Bettinson - Beech Class

Our Science lessons over the last couple of weeks have focussed on looking at animal bones and how the human skeleton is made up, using the scientific names for the bones that we have. The question 'Can people with longer femurs jump further?' was put to children for them to investigate. The children worked in groups to explore the answer and based their conclusions on their results.



Name	Femur	Length of Jump
Alannah	33cm	1m 25
Amelia	30cm	1m 24
Tilly	31cm	1m 23
Olivia	33cm	1m 23
Scarlett	28cm	1m



In History this week we have been discussing what it was like to be an evacuee during World War II in preparation for our visit to Gressenhall.

Children enjoyed making their own gas masks and then imagined wearing them when a siren went off!



Message from Mrs Allmey - Rowan Class

Rowan have had another busy week. One of the highlights of the week was attending the Circus Skills workshop at Mendham. The children got to practise skills in plate spinning, diablo and walking the tight rope to name just a few. The children engaged really well, and I do hope some of them are able to attend the Circus performance this weekend.

In Literacy the children have worked really hard to complete their independent writing of a short narrative to convey suspense. I have been impressed with how much care and effort they have put in to construct sentences effectively and present their work neatly. They have now moved on to start writing poetry and have already written some Harvest poems and explored a range of list poems.





Safeguarding Information

The DSL (Designated safeguarding lead) for safeguarding in school is Mr Simon Lea. The ADSL's (Alternate designated safeguarding lead) are Mr Henry Huxtable and Miss Sheri Frearson.

A copy of the safeguarding policy and all other policies are available on the school website.

The Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership website contains a wealth of information:

www.suffolksp.org.uk

If you are worried about the welfare or safety of a child speak directly to Mr Lea or Mr Huxtable. If concerns are outside school hours, please contact Customer First on 0808 8004005 (24 hours). If the matter is urgent because a child or vulnerable adult is in immediate danger, phone 999.