

# Newsletter

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To all our families,

Thank to everyone for embracing the pick-up and drop-off amendments and the work you have done with your children to prepare for this ready for Monday (22<sup>nd</sup> January) next week. As you are aware, the field gate will no longer be an access or exit point and no parents will be able to come beyond the front junior school gate, or beyond the corner of the infant school playground at the start and end of the day.

We have school adults stationed at each route so please be assured children will get safely to their classrooms ready to start their day. We will be opening the gate at 8.35am so that the children can say their goodbyes and promptly get to class. Please watch our [video by clicking here](#) to view what that will look like.



It has been another week where lots of positive points are being given and saved by the children. We know that the children are keen to see how

many points the prizes will be, and we are starting to be able to take averages so we can make the amounts different items will be achievable and fair to everyone.

We would like to thank **Peter Wright**, two-time darts world



champion, who has generously donated signed merchandise for our rewards cabinet. We will be using the signed darts board in school later in the year as part of maths and to broaden our children's experience of different sports. We are so very grateful to Paul for supporting Caister Junior and have already heard from some children who have their sights set on the items since spotting them in the cabinet!

Where negative Dojos have been necessary, those children have maturely accepted this as a natural consequence of their behaviour. They have then taken part in restorative conversations during reflection time. We are continuing to work with the children to educate them about acceptable behaviour. One of our key aims is to **stop any forms of physical aggression and we thank you for your support with important aspect.**

We have had a few parents ask us about if children and parents can be invited and have the app at home to see how their children are getting on. This is our plan for the near future, but we want to get it fully up and running in school first before we invite



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children and parents at home so, please watch this space!

## Celebrations

Pupil of the Week is awarded during our celebration assembly on a Friday. Awards are given to one child in every class by their teachers. The awards celebrate good work and behaviour, as well as examples of good citizenship and friendship to others or for any behaviour or activity that positively reflects the school values and show a good example to other children in school. This week...

Pupil of the Week	
<b>3D</b>	Sonny
<b>3E</b>	Lea
<b>3S</b>	Oscar
<b>4BW</b>	Skye
<b>4B</b>	Indie
<b>4H</b>	Isaac
<b>5JK</b>	Blake
<b>5M</b>	Logan
<b>5B</b>	Maxi
<b>6T</b>	Megan
<b>6B</b>	Rose
<b>6W</b>	Alice

We also award two 'Recognition Awards' weekly which are children chosen by Miss Watling and Miss Cambridge because they have done something exceptional. This week they are awarded to... **Bradlee, Jenson and Frankie** (Year 6). We simply could not choose just two this week!



school.  
Congratulations and well done to **Martha** who has passed Grade 1 Piano!



Another congratulations and well done goes to **Amelia-Rose** who has been awarded 'Gymnast of the Year' at Broadland Gymnastics Club!



Our next celebration assemblies are next week:

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**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 8.55am**  
**Year 5 & 6**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 8.55am Year 3 & 4**

## Ask me about..... Year 3

Maths	We have been looking at linking multiplication and division and working on dividing.
English	We have continued with Nen the lonely fisherman. We have been thinking about the characters feelings and using phrases to capture the reader's interest.
Science	We have been looking at the uses and properties of rocks.
PSHE	We have been looking at barriers to achieving our dreams and goals and talking about our aspirations.
PE/Games	We have continued our Handball skills and also continued to work on our dance moves.
DT	We have peeled and chopped potatoes. We have considered kitchen hygiene rules and the steps we needed to boil potatoes.
Music	We have started our recorder lessons learning Hot Cross Buns.
French	We have been learning to count to six and reviewing shape names in French.

## Year 4

Maths	We have been finishing our unit on multiplication and division and have practiced various different written methods.
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English	We have continued our work on Until I met Dudley and written our own explanation texts about how things work.
Science	We have continued learning about Solids, Liquids and Gases and looked at properties of materials that fit more than one category.
History	
Geography	We have looked at types of renewable energy, such as wind, solar and geothermal.
PE/Games	In PE and games we focussed on dance and bench ball!
Computing	We have continued looking at Probotix and setting procedures to draw shapes.
DT	In DT we have continued looking at William Morris in our Functional and Fancy Fabrics unit.

## Year 5

Maths	In Maths we have continued our unit of learning 'Multiplication and Division'.
English	In English we completed 'The Island' and wrote a diary entry.
PSHE	We have been looking at the story 'Wonder' and learning about bullying and friendship difficulties.
Science	We have continued our Forces and Mechanisms topic and focused on Gravity.
Geography	We have focused on Sustainable Manufacturing Processes,

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	encouraging companies to be more environmentally friendly.
Computing	This week we started our Scratch unit of learning and created our Sprite characters.
PE/Games	In pe this week we have practised yoga flows and played dodgeball
Music	We have learnt about Synesthesia where some people can hear colours in music, and we did our own artwork to 2 pieces of music.
ART	We started our new unit Line, Light and Shade and created artwork 'taking a line for a walk'.

## Year 6

Maths	In maths we have been comparing metric and imperial measurements.
English	This week we have been writing persuasive arguments.
Computing	We have been learning how to create graphs, learnt how to copy and paste formula and order data.
PE/Games	This week 6T and 6W have explored moving in gymnastics. 6B have added to their rhythmic dances.
DT	This week we completed our double page spreads on processed foods.
Geography	We recapped our learning on lines of latitude, longitude and the tropics.
Science	We had lots of fun using the electrical equipment. This week we planned and evaluated our own investigations.

## Cold Weather!

The children were so excited when it began to snow earlier this week and they went out to enjoy the short bursts we were lucky enough to get here! Some of the children were fascinated to hear that in Norwich there was no signs of the snow Thursday morning; it prompted some interesting conversations about warm fronts and cold fronts and some wonderful teamwork!



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Thank you in advance for supporting us with the new drop-off and pick-up arrangements next week. With positivity, support and encouragement from everyone we know the children will be fantastic and adapt to the changes.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all next week.

Miss Watling  
Head of School