EARSHAM PRIMARY ACADEMY

9th January 2026

Head of School

Happy 2026 to all our parents and carers! Our new term began with snow and all of the fun and traffic challenges that can bring! Willow class children even used the opportunity to carry out some snow based Science investigations! All of the children have settled back into school life quickly. Someone else who has settled back into full school life quickly this week is Mrs Mitson. It is wonderful to have her fully back with us and supporting children across all of our classes.

Mr Woodcraft

Willow Class

This week in PE the children started the Gymnastics unit of learning. The children had to create a sequence of actions including a travel action, a balance and a jump. The children worked hard in PE to improve their time of how long they could hold their balance. In Science on Wednesday, we went on a Winter Walk around the school grounds to explore and observe signs of winter thinking about the weather, temperature and learning the difference between evergreen and decidious trees.

Maple Class

This week in Maple Class we have quickly settled back into school routines and begun learning all about our new History topic - The Anglo-Saxons! We began by exploring when and why the Anglo-Saxons came to Britain. We also kicked off our new Science topic that is all about the Human Body where we will explore Healthy diets, skeletons and muscles! Our new PE unit on Gymnastics has also begun. In Maths we have begun investigating fractions and in English we have begun to explore warning tales with a story that fits well into last half terms learning about the Romans.

Silver Birch Class

Happy New Year from everyone in Silver Birch Class. We have all returned to school safely and have begun our new topics for the spring term. In Geography, we are learning about European countries. We started by recapping on the 7 continents around the world. We found out that there are 44 countries in Europe according to the United Nations each with its own population. We discovered that the population of Russia is around 144,000,000 whereas one of the smallest countries, known as San Marino, has a population of around 33,000.

In Science we are learning about planets and our solar system. For our first lesson, we explored the eight planets in our solar system as well as trying to order them from Sun. In art we began to look and explore the meaning of analytical drawing. We learnt that this is a technique used to examine the structure and composition of objects.

Awards

Whole School Attendance

Year to date

96.56%

Attendance Award

This week

Silver Birch

Kingfisher Partnership

The Kingfisher Governors are looking for one enthusiastic parent to join our experienced Local Governing Committee. If you would like to support our schools, cheer them on, support the Christian ethos and encourage them please get in touch.

You can register interest with the school office to request an information/application pack and arrange an informal chat with Caroline Hutton the Chair of Governors before the Wednesday 21st January.

In the event of two parents coming forward for this role we will be required to hold parent governor elections. We look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you,

The Kingfisher Governors

FOR ANY QUERIES PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE

School Prayer

Dear God,

We thank you that Jesus is for all people from all places. Help us to keep the Christmas celebrations going as we remember that Jesus is also a gift for all time too.

Amen.

Important Dates

Red dates have been added/updated since previous newsletters

15 Jan 2026	Menu Change - Winnie the Pooh day
21 Jan 2026	Road Safety Sessions (Reception, Year 2 & Year 4)
4 Feb 2026	Years 3/4/5 Olly Day Road Safety Show
6 Feb 2026	NSPCC Number Day - Number Related Non-Uniform - **Donate Here**
11 Feb 2026	Parents Evening - Information to follow
27 Feb 2026	Maple Class Castle Trip - Information to follow
20 Mar 2026	Willow Class - Time and Tide Museum - Information to follow

KINGFISHER FEDERATION

Useful Information

8:45 Gates Open

9:00 Registration closes

3:15 End of Day

Telephone Number	01986 892 557
E-mail address	office@earsham.norfolk.sch.uk
Term Dates 2025-2026	Click Here
Support Resources	Click Here

NOURISH

GROW WITH US

WINNIE THE POOH DAY

Pooh's Pizza Lunch (Cheese and Tomato) **1,3,7 V**

Kanga's Vegetable Sausage **VG**

Roo's Jacket Potatoes with a Choice of Fillings **7,8,9**

Piglets Herby Diced Potatoes

Rabbits Mixed Vegetables **1 V**

Tiggers Toffee Tart **1,7**

Eeyore Fruit Pots **VG**

15 JAN



NOVEMBER TO MARCH 2026

NOURISH GROW WITH US

WHAT'S ON THE MENU?

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK ONE 3 Nov 24 Nov 15 Dec 19 Jan 9 Feb 9 March 30 March	Chicken Pie **1** Pesto Pasta **1,7 V** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Crushed Potato Cauliflower, Carrots Strawberry Mousse **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Margherita Pizza **1,3,7 V** Bean Biryani **VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rainbow Pasta **1** Seasonal Vegetables Toffee Apple Pudding **1 VG** & Custard **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Roast Gammon & Gravy Vegan Sausage Roll **1 V** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rustic Roast Potatoes, Cabbage, Peas Fruit Jelly **VG** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Spaghetti Bolognaise & Garlic Bread **1,3** Loaded Bean Chilli Wedges **VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Green Beans Grated Carrots Brownie **1 VG** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Fish Fingers **1,8** Vegetable Sausage **VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Chips, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans Oaty Cookie **1,15 VG** Yoghurt **3,7** Fruit Pots **VG**
WEEK TWO 10 Nov 1 Dec 5 Jan 26 Jan 23 Feb 16 March	Chicken Curry Tomato Spaghetti **1 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rice, Carrots, Peas Chocolate Ice Cream **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Cheesy Pasta Bake & Garlic Bread **1,3,7 V** BBQ Bean Wedges **VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Seasonal Vegetables Plum Sponge **1VG** & Custard **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Roast Chicken & Gravy Ratatouille Puff **1,3 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rustic Roast Potatoes Broccoli, Carrots Crispy Cake **1,3,7,16** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Beef Stew & Dumpling **1** Pesto Pasta **1,7 V** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Cauliflower, Green Beans Apple & Cinnamon Pinwheel **1 VG** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Salmon Bites **1,8** Cheese & Sweetcorn Pizza **1,3,7 V** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Chips, Peas, Mixed Salad Marble Cookie **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7** Fruit Pots **VG**
WEEK THREE 17 Nov 8 Dec 12 Jan 2 Feb 2 March 23 March	Cheese Penne & Garlic Bread **1,3,7 V** Sweet Potato & Chick Pea Curry **VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rice, Green Beans, Mixed Salad Peach Crumble **1 VG** & Custard **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Chicken Noodles **1** BBQ Vegetable Burrito **1 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Sweetcorn, Peppers Chocolate Rice Pudding **7** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Fruit Pots **VG**	Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding **1,7,9** Vegetable Sausage **VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Rustic Roast Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots Fruit Jelly **VG** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Beef Cottage Pie Herby Tomato Spaghetti **1 VG** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Seasonal Vegetables Lemon Drizzle Cake **1 VG** Mr Nourish Biscuit **1 VG** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**	Fish Fingers **1,8** Cheese, Carrot & Tomato Swirl **1,7 V** Jackets with a Choice of Toppings **7,8,9** Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Grated Carrot Caramel Flapjack **1,7,15 V** Yoghurt **3,7**, Fruit Pots **VG**

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AVAILABLE DAILY

1 Wheat Gluten 2 Crustaceans 3 Soybean 4 Mustard 5 Sesame 6 Sulphites/Sulphur Dioxide 7 Milk 8 Fish 9 Egg
10 Peanuts 11 Molluscs 12 Celeriac/Celery 13 Nuts 14 Lupins 15 Oat Gluten 16 Barley Gluten VG Vegan V Vegetarian

Selection of Salads 9, Homemade Bread 1,3. Some of our schools may use pre prepped potatoes or vegetables on occasions. These may contain sulphites and celeriac. Please discuss with your manager.



Earsham CE VA Primary School

Enrichment

7th January—13th Feb 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Club 8.00am– 8.45am £2.50 per day Open to all	Morning Club 8.00am– 8.45am £2.50 per day Open to all	Morning Club 8.00am– 8.45am £2.50 per day Open to all	Morning Club 8.00am– 8.45am £2.50 per day Open to all	Morning Club 8.00am– 8.45am £2.50 per day Open to all
Street Dance 3.15-4.15pm £20.00 Open to all	Brick Church After school club 3.15-4.15pm FREE Years 1-6 only (currently full) Starting back on 13th Jan.	Wednesday Club 3.15-4.15pm £15.00 Years 1-6 only	Art Club 3.15pm-4.15pm £35.00 Open to all	After school sports club 3.15pm-4.15pm £20.00 Open to all

About our Clubs; All clubs have restricted spaces and are allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis. If you require financial support please contact the school office or visit https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs Don't forget Pupil Premium Children can attend after school clubs for a 50% discount

Morning Club - CASH no longer accepted. You can book a guaranteed place via the school office or use on an ad-hoc basis. Your charge will be added to your Parentmail account

Monday Street Dance, provided by KO Entertainment Sign up via Parentmail

Tuesday Brick Church; Sign up via Parentmail. No club on Tuesday 6th Jan, starts back on Tuesday 13th January. Currently full.

Wednesday—Staff run club—various fun activities and receive support with homework, spellings, reading etc—Sign up via Parentmail

Thursday Art Club, provided by Minimoons Creative—Sign up and pay here: https://minimoonsco.com/products/arts-crafts-club-all-years-ellingham-vc-primary-school

Friday Sports Club—run by Premier Sports—sign up on Parentmail

Community


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NOW TAKING BOOKINGS
TEACHER TRAINING SWIMMING LESSONS!
Suitable for children 4 years and above
Beginners / Improvers
STA Stanley, Octopus, Goldfish & Angelfish
Swim England Preschool & Stages 1–7
LIMITED SPACES
Book now to avoid disappointment
• 13th & 20th December At Harleston Pool
30 minute lessons every half hour between 2–4pm
water lilies swimming school
Approved Training Centre
To book email: treacle@waterlilliesswim.co.uk


BUNGAY TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB
PLAYERS WANTED!
Bungay Town F.C. are currently looking for players to join our Under 8's team for the 25 / 26 season.
Open to boys and girls, current year 3's.
Training Friday nights 17:45 to 19:00 at our Maltings Meadow ground, Ditchingham.
Contact
Andy Waterfield 07765 883960
Luke Collins 07748 452260


Weigh your baby here!
Bungay Community Library
Tuesday & Friday:
9am - 12pm
No booking required
Suffolk Community Libraries
Suffolk County Council


Saturday 24th January
Depth of Winter
Animal tracks, hibernation & life under the earth.
ART Club Art Evo
10am - noon
5-9 yrs £10
1pm - 3pm
10-16 yrs £10
Wax resist paintings, plaster prints & winter drawings
PRE-BOOK PLACES/INFO - 07551 888354
CLAIRE.KERRISON48@GMAIL.COM
earthwake
Venue: Riverside Centre off Staithe Rd Bungay NR35 1BF Car park open