EARSHAM PRIMARY ACADEMY

27th February 2026

Head of School

As the children returned to school this week we have also seen a return of the sun! It has been lovely to have things beginning to feel more spring like and the children have certainly enjoyed being outside this week. I hope that this can continue and that we can all enjoy some lovely weather over the weekend and spend some time in the great outdoors with our families.

Mr Woodcraft

Willow Class

This week in Willow class the children have started learning about animals and the classification of animals. The children have learnt the difference between mammals and birds and how to group them based on their features.

Maple Class

This week in Maple Class we have begun to write our explanation texts all about why you should not enter the forest! Children devised their own reasons as to why you shouldn't go into the forest including wild animals, haunted buildings and poisonous plants! In maths we have shifted our focus onto volume and capacity - looking particularly at milliliters. In history we have continued to learn about the Anglo Saxons and are very much looking forward to Friday's trip to Norwich Castle!

Silver Birch Class

Silver Birch Class have settled well into the second part of the spring term. In Geography, we have continued our study of Europe, taking particular focus on the country of Greece. For this week's session, we had to explore Ancient Greek Life. We learnt that throughout much of the history of Ancient Greece, the country, or the city-states (regions) within it, were ruled by rich individuals. Kings (like King Minos of Crete) or wealthy landowners made the rules by which everyone else had to live. Later, we had to use 'Oddizzi' website to compare and contrast life in Ancient Greece with our own lives.

In Science, we have started our new topic on Forces. To begin, we learnt how to use Newton meters. We discovered that a Newton meter is a piece of equipment that is used to measure the forces acting on an object. It is also known as a spring balance or spring scale. Newton meters contain a spring connected to a metal hook. The spring stretches accordingly when a force is applied to the hook.

Awards

Bikeability

Well done to those Year 5/6 children who participated in our level 1 and 2 Bikeability course this week, gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle safely on today's roads.

- Seth
- Ava
- Samuel
- Jacob
- Grace
- Cayden
- Jessica
- Elliot
- Darcy
- Adrienne &
- Oscar

Whole School Attendance

Year to date

96.86%

Attendance Award

This week goes to Silver Birch Class

Maths Monster Award

This week goes to Silver Birch for their work on percentages

Book Worm Winners

This week Maple Class

Don't forget Year 6 SAT's club after school on Monday's until 4.15pm until Easter! Just come along!

Family Voice

Click here to access this months Family Voice Newsletter

Out of school achievements

If your child has achieved something outside of school, feel free to send a picture or information through to office@earsham.norfolk.sch.uk and we can include it on this newsletter

Important Dates

Red dates have been added/updated since previous newsletters

2 Mar 2026	Year 6 STAS after school club until 4.15pm
4 Mar 2026	Representatives of Year 3,4,5 & 6 Cross Country Practice
5 Mar 2026	World Book Day Dress up & special Nourish menu (see below posters for more details)
6 Mar 2026	Representatives of Year 3,4,5 & 6 Cross Country Tournament
12 Mar 2026	Splat the Vicar - see poster below
20 Mar 2026	Willow Class - Time and Tide Museum Trip
20 Mar 2026	Non Uniform for Comic Relief
27 Mar 2026	Last Day of Spring Term
17 Jul 2026	End of term

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

WORLD BOOK DAY 2026



05 MARCH

CELEBRATING THE BOOKS OF JULIA DONALSON



The Hospital Dog Hot Dog **1,5,6**

The Gruffalo Poisonous Warts **1,7 V**
(Vegetable and Cheese Puff Pastry Crown)

The Badie's Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings **7,8,9**

The Highway Rat's Roasted Wedges

Spinderella's Football Peas

The Stickman's Carrot Sticks

The Snail and the Whale's Rock Cakes **1,7 V**

The Ladybird Heard Moo Cookie **1 VG**

The Cook & King Wobbly Bob Jelly **VG**

Zog's Yummy Fruit Pots **VG**

NOURISH

Dishes marked with any of the following numbers contain the matching allergen:
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

KINGFISHER PARTNERSHIP



WORLD BOOK DAY

5TH MARCH 2026

Splat the Vicar!

- We are raising money for the Bishops Lent appeal.
- We want to raise £400 to send a child to school for a year in Papua New Guinea.
- Bring a £1 and splat the Vicar and ministry team.
- Lunchtime— Thursday 12th March



Free Online Parent & Carer Webinars

Free Online Webinars: Feb - March 2026

Join Our Spring Term Webinar Series!

The PINS Spring Webinar programme offers a series of free, supportive online sessions designed to help families better understand and support neurodiverse children — both at home and in school.

These sessions are part of PINS (Partnerships for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools), a Norfolk programme working alongside families and schools to create inclusive, understanding learning environments for every child.

✓ Free to attend
✓ Online – join from home
✓ Welcoming and practical
✓ No diagnosis or prior knowledge needed

When?

Understanding neurodiversity in school

- Social communication and friendships
- Masking and emotional wellbeing
- Behaviour as communication
- Inclusive school cultures
- Working positively with families
- Supportive learning environments

Who is it for?

These sessions are designed to be supportive, practical and understanding. Whether you're just beginning to explore neurodiversity or looking for new ideas, you'll find insight, reassurance and encouragement.

All sessions are free and delivered online via Microsoft Teams. Joining links are attached with QR codes as an option. Join as many sessions as you like — even just one can make a difference.

Session and session title	Date/Time Presenter	Audience	Session detail and Registration link
Session 9. Behind the Mask: Thinking about why children mask and how home and school can work together	**26th Feb 1000-1100** **Family Action Norfolk**	• Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent/Carers	NORFOLK PINS 2026: Session 9
Session 12. Plan Bee Taster: Understanding and Supporting Neurodivergence at home and at school	**3rd March 0930-1100** **Family Action Norfolk**	• Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent/Carers	Norfolk PINS 2026: Session 12
Session 14. A Low Demand Approach - Looking at demand anxiety and strategies to help	**5th March 1000-1100** **Family Action Norfolk**	• Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent/ Carers	NORFOLK PINS 2026: Session 14
Session 17. Plan Bee Taster: Understanding and Supporting Neurodivergence at home and at school	**10th March 1530-1700** **Family Action Norfolk**	• Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent /Carers	NORFOLK PINS 2026: Session 17
Session 18. Anger or Anxieties? Thinking about emotional distress and how it can present.	**12th March 1000-1100** **Family Action Norfolk**	• Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent/ Carers	NORFOLK PINS 2026: Session 18
Session 20. Masking - What It Looks Like, Why It Happens, and How We Can Support *(evening)*	**12th March 1900-2030** **Dr Pooky Knightsmith**	• Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent/ Carers	NORFOLK PINS 2026: Session 20

NOVEMBER TO MARCH 2026

NOURISH

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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10 Peanuts 11 Molluscs 12 Celeriac/Celery 13 Nuts 14 Lupins 15 Oat Gluten 16 Barley Gluten VG Vegan V Vegetarian

AVAILABLE DAILY

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.



Still some spaces available!

Earsham CE VA Primary School

Enrichment

23rd February—27th March 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 Y2 and above	Brick Church After school club 3.15-4.15pm FREE Years 1-6 only (currently full)	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 . Year 2 upwards . Parents invited to performance 4pm on 23rd March.

Tuesday Brick Church; Sign up via Parentmail. 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 and pay via Parentmail

Community


SAVE THE DATE!
BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
25TH MAY 2026
12NOON - 4PM
BUNGAY COMMUNITY CENTRE
FAMILY
fun
DAY


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


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1ST EARSHAM SCOUT GROUP
AGES 6-8 & 8-10½ YRS
SATURDAYS | 10 - 11:30AM
BEAVERS & CUBS
Give your child the chance to lead, explore, and grow in a supportive and exciting environment. Don't miss out on the adventure!
EARN BADGES!
ARTS & CRAFTS
HIKING AND CAMPING
PICNIC
INDOOR GAMES
OUTDOOR GAMES
For more details, visit:
https://www.scouts.org.uk/groups/100122907loc=bungay&slug=1st-Earsham
Marston Moor, Church Road, Earsham, Suffolk, NR35 2TH
Contact - claire.maynard@suffolkscouts.org.uk


earthwake
Saturday
28 February
ART Club
10am - noon
5-9 yrs £10
Arts & Crafts in early Spring
Art Evo
1pm - 3pm
10-16 yrs £10
Emerging wildlife - toads, frogs, flowers, tree buds & birds
Create your own mobile & willow bird feeder
PRE-BOOK PLACES/INFO - 07551 888354
CLAIRE.KERRISON48@GMAIL.COM
Venue: Riverside Centre off Staithe Rd
Bungay NR35 1BF Car park open


Art Equipment supplied by abacus creative resources
NORFOLK CHURCHES TRUST
School ART Competition 2026
Calling children from Norfolk primary schools to create a drawing inspired by their own church. There will be three judging categories: Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 · Year 3 & Year 4 · Year 5 & Year 6.
WIN ART EQUIPMENT
£500 for your school
£100 for the artist
1st prize
£250 for your school
£75 for the artist
2nd prize
Prizes awarded on 17 June by Dame Emma Bridgewater
Your drawings might feature...
...detail of carvings
...a stained glass window
...a stone gargoyle
...an outside view.
FINALISTS WILL BE JUDGED BY A CELEBRITY PANEL
Susie Fowler Watt BBC Look East presenter
Ben Youngs Former England and Leicester Tiger rugby player
Lauren Hemp MBE Professional England footballer
Your artwork must be no larger than A4 and not be photography.
Entries must be received by 17 April 2026.
Good Luck!
For full information and entry form scan the QR code or visit norfolkchurchestrust.org.uk/events/schools-art-competition/


1ST EARSHAM
scouts
be prepared
NEW YEAR, NEW DAY!
THURSDAYS | 7:30 - 9PM
AGES 10½-14 YRS
Is your child ready to discover their inner adventurer? 1st Earsham Scout Group is kicking off the New Year with an exciting, fresh start to scouts, and we want you to be part of the fun!
ARTS & CRAFTS
HIKING AND CAMPING
PICNIC
INDOOR GAMES
OUTDOOR GAMES
WATER ACTIVITIES
Marston Moor, Church Road, Earsham, Suffolk, NR35 2TH
For more details, visit:
https://www.scouts.org.uk/groups/100122907loc=bungay&slug=1st-Earsham
Contact-
claire.maynard@suffolkscouts.org.uk

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Supporting people with hearing loss
and related conditions

We are your local charity dedicated to improving the health and wellbeing, aiding communication and enhancing the quality of life for people with hearing loss and hearing related conditions.

We provide support through the following range of services:

Aural Care - removal of earwax using microsuction

Regulated by Care Quality Commission

Audiology - NHS funded hearing assessments and fitting of hearing aids for people ages 50+, and privately funded hearing assessments and fitting of hearing aids for children aged 7+ and adults of all ages

Both services are delivered by trained, registered and experienced nurses and audiologists

Hearing Support - maintenance of NHS issued hearing aids

Otoscopy Clinics - screening of ears for the presence of earwax

'Cuppa Care' Project - emotional and wellbeing support, information and advice to people of all ages

Hearing Loss Awareness Training

Our services are available from our community-based and mobile clinics, and domiciliary/care home visits for people who are housebound

Cuppa care
Bringing us together

Please call us on 01603 404440, email us at nda@hearfornorfolk.org.uk or visit our website at www.hearfornorfolk.org.uk for more information

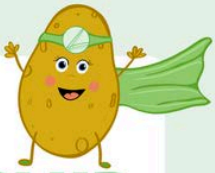
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JACKET POTATO, CHOICE OF FILLING, SALAD AND FRUIT



SPUD CLUB

SUGGESTED DONATION £1

After school club
for primary age kids during term time

Thursdays 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm
Bungay Community Centre NR35 1PU

ACTIVITIES, FUN, CRAFT, GAMES, PRAYER STATION AND A FREE HEALTHY MEAL

With thanks to funding from East Suffolk Council, Tesco Stronger Starts Community Grants, and The Simon Gibson Charitable Trust

It's helpful to know numbers, please contact Ed on 07400033746 or email: edward.land@lightwave.community or just turn up!
Children to be accompanied by an adult

Holy Trinity BUNGAY

@LightwaveBungayandBeyond
www.lightwave.community

EARSHAM CALLING!

Here are some dates for your calendar enabling villagers and newcomers to get together socially at the village hall.

Tuesday March 17	10am-12
Tuesday April 14	10am-12
Tuesday May 12	10am-12

This is a new project to bring us all together as a community to meet friends and make new ones over tea and coffee (no charge), in a relaxed atmosphere.
The aim is for villagers to exchange their ups and downs and to be aware of local handypeople offering services such as decorating, gardening, window cleaning etc.

We need numbers to get this off the ground so please come along.

EASTER Activities

INTENSIVE SWIMMING COURSES

Suitable for 4 years+
max 4 swimmers per class
30mins each day



MARTLESHAM
4 Day Course
30th March - 2nd April
£49.00

BUNGAY
3 Day Course
30th March - 1st April
£36.75

HARLESTON
4 Day Course
30th March - 2nd April
£49.00

REDLINGFIELD
3 Day Course
8th - 10th April
£36.75

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