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Newsletter

Week beginning September 19th

Dear families,

Thank you to those of you who joined us for coffee over the past two weeks, I am so pleased to be able to match parents and carers to children and start getting to know you all.

I have also been meeting with members of our local community. I am thrilled to be able to share some future events with you. Some of the neighbours in North Elmham are working alongside the school and governors to develop the frontage of the school and increase our 'curb appeal'. We thank them profusely for their time and care. We have already put pea shingle down and painted the railings but we are looking for some low maintenance planting and window cleaning to further improve the school.

I have also been in touch with our local parishes and we are so excited to announce that the children of North Elmham will be going to the church for a special Remembrance Day memorial service and we have provisionally booked our Christmas service for the final week of Autumn term (wb: 15th December). All families will be invited – further details to follow.

At Stibbard, we will be visiting Stibbard church for our Remembrance Day memorial service and Great Ryburgh church for our Christmas service. Again, all families will be invited and we hope you can join us.

DIARY DATES

Term dates - Autumn term
Tuesday 6th September – Friday 16th December.

(Half term 24-28th October)

Parent Teacher Meetings –
week beginning 7th November

School photos – 21st October N Elmham. School uniform please.

Immunisations – 6th October N Elmham. 15th 17th November - Stibbard

Height and Weight check (Y6) –
12th October Stibbard. Tbc – N Elmham

Remembrance church services–
11th November at Stibbard and North Elmham churches. Families welcome. (Invites to follow)

Christmas Week (wb 12th December) including productions and Christmas lunch and jumper day 15th December

Open afternoons

Nursery – 5th October



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Reminders:

Celebration – As of this week, if your child receives an award to be presented during collective worship on a Friday, you will be invited in to celebrate with them. You will receive a text message on a Thursday evening. It is up to you if you inform your child or if you keep it a secret for them to discover on Friday!

Phones – Could I also remind you that mobile phones are NOT allowed out anywhere on the school site.

Healthy School – please can we have only water in water bottles and a healthy snack (fruit/veg) for break time. Reception, Y1 and Y2 are given a piece of fruit or vegetable for snack every morning break. Y3 – 6 need to bring their own.

DoJo – Thank you for those of you engaging with DoJo. Your children are really enjoying receiving points for their hard work and working hard at our school values- compassion, friendship, perseverance, forgiveness, responsibility and trust.

Attendance and Punctuality – Please ensure your child is on time to school daily. If your child is late, this does have an impact on their attendance.

Parking – Thank you so much for those of you who drive and park so considerately around our school sites. In doing so, you are keeping our school community safe.

At Stibbard there is a lot of space for parking as we open the playground for parents drop off and collection.

Could I respectfully remind you that you are not allowed to park on the ZigZags outside of school. Coaches are struggling with turning and visibility when cars are parked here.

Victoria McConnell