

5th November 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Benefits of reading

Children who read often—get better at it—the more a child reads, the quicker they will make progress which is why it is so important that parents hear their children read or share a story with them as often as possible.

Reading exercises the brain—reading strengthens connections in the brain and makes new connections.

Reading improves concentration.

Reading teaches children about the world around them.

Reading improves vocabulary and language skills.

Reading develops a child's imagination and develops empathy.

Reading is fun and is a great way to spend time together.

Children who are readers do better at school. Children who are good readers achieve better across all areas of the curriculum.

"The more you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you will go." Dr Seuss

Take your child on a magical journey, read with them every day.

Simone Goddard—Headteacher

Remembrance Service



We look forward to welcoming you to our Remembrance Service which takes place on Monday 11th November at 10am at Pulham Market Church. Poppies will be on sale this week during breaktimes for children wishing to buy paper poppies and other items such as reflectors, wristbands, snap bands and zip pulls. Please note that we are unable to issue change.

Cross Country

Well done to Alice, Ella-May, Maggie, Sophie, Maisie, Martha, Romy, Noah S, Noah CW and Oscar B who have qualified for the School Sports Partnership Cross Country event at Old Buckenham Country Park this week. We would like to wish them good luck for the event and look forward to hearing how they get on.



Norfolk Admission Arrangements 2021/22 Consultation

Norfolk County Council are consulting on proposed admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools for 2021/22 and on the coordination schemes that will apply to all Norfolk schools.

The consultation closes on 2 December 2019. Following the consultation, the proposed admission arrangements will be referred to Cabinet Member for Children Services.

If you would like to take part in the survey please go to:

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-admissions/norfolk-admission-arrangements/norfolk-admission-arrangements-2021-22>

Children in Need



We will be having a bring and buy sale in aid of Children in Need on Friday 15th November. If you have any good quality toys or games that you would like to donate, please bring to school (or hand in to a year 6 pupil) by Wednesday 13th November. Look out for a letter from the School Council which will provide further details.

Wildlife Non-Uniform Day

We will be having a non-uniform day and cake sale this Thursday when children can come to school dressed as an animal for a suggested donation of £1.00. Funds raised will go to the Black Mambas— an all women group who protect animals from poaching in Africa, which has been organised by two year 5 pupils. We would be grateful for donations of cakes—if you can help please drop off your cake on Thursday morning.

For information and guidance on how to keep your child safe online please visit the school website www.pulhamprimaryschool.org.uk and navigate to the Key Information tab. From here select Forms & Documents under which you will find the e-safety guidance document which will be available to download. There is also a link on the home page. Alternatively you can call into the office and ask for a paper copy.

| Date | Event | Other Info |
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| November | | |
| Wednesday 6 th | Flu Vaccinations | You should have received an email giving details on how to submit/decline consent via an online portal. |
| Wednesday 6 th | Maths Café—Kingfishers | 2.30pm |
| Thursday 7 th | Non Uniform Day—Wildlife theme | Cake Sale after school |
| Friday 8 th | Maths Café—Hummingbirds | 2.30 pm |
| Monday 11 th | Remembrance Service | 10am Pulham Market Church |
| Monday 11 th | Maths Café—Puffins | 2.30 pm |
| Wednesday 13 th | Maths Café Ducks | 2.30pm |
| Friday 15 th | Children in Need Day | |
| Friday 15 th | Maths Café Penguins | 2.30 pm |
| Monday 18 th | Open Morning | Parents of children due to start school in September 2020 |
| Wednesday 20 th | Ducks Class Trip to Norwich Cathedral | |
| December | | |
| Monday 2 nd | Year 5 Activity Morning at ASHS | |
| Monday 2 nd | KS1 Play Performance—Penguins, Ducks and Kingfishers | 1.30pm |
| Wednesday 4 th | KS1 Play Performance—Penguins, Ducks and Kingfishers | 9.30am – change of time |
| Thursday 5 th | Talent Show | |
| Wednesday 11 th | Christmas Lunch | |
| Friday 13 th | Christmas Jumper Day | |
| Wednesday 18 th | Christmas Service | 2pm Pulham Market Church |
| Wednesday 18 th | Last day before holidays | |
| Christmas Holidays Thursday 19th December 2019 – Friday 3rd January 2020 | | |
| January | | |
| Monday 6 th | Children back to school | |
| February | | |
| W/C Monday 10 th | Bikeability – years 5 & 6 | |
| Friday 14 th | Last day before half term | |
| Half Term Holiday Monday 17th – Friday 21st February 2020 | | |
| Monday 24 th | Children back to school | |
| March | | |
| Thursday 12 th | Class Photographs | |
| Monday 23 rd | Easter Service | 10am Pulham St Mary Church |
| Saturday 28 th to Wednesday 1 st April | Year 6 Residential Trip | |
| Easter Holidays Thursday 2nd April to Friday 17th April 2020 | | |
| April | | |
| Monday 20 th April | Children back to school | |
| Thursday 23 rd | Orienteering at ASHS – Y6 | |

| May | | |
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| Friday 8th | May Bank Holiday | |
| Friday 22 nd | Last day before half term | |
| May Half Term Holiday Monday 25th May to Friday 29nd May 2020 | | |
| June | | |
| Monday 1 st | Children back to school | |
| Tuesday 9 th | Family Information evening – ASHS Y6 | |
| Thursday 11 th | Sports Day | |
| Wednesday 17 th June | Family Meetings – ASHS Y6 | |
| Thursday 18 th | Reserve Sports Day | |
| W/c 22 June | Science Week | |
| July | | |
| Wednesday 1 st | Norfolk Show | |
| Monday 6 th | KS2 Play | 6pm |
| Tuesday 7 th | KS2 Play | 6pm |
| Wednesday 8 th | Prize Giving | 1.30pm Y6 parents |
| Thursday 9 th | Y5 Experience Day at ASHS | |
| Friday 10 th | Year 6 Last Day & Y6 Parents Tea Party | |
| Monday 13 th | Y6 Start ASHS | |
| Tuesday 21 st | End of Year Assembly | 2pm Pulham Market Church |
| Tuesday 21 st | Last day of term | |