



20th September 2024

Executive Head

Many thanks to everyone who joined us for our welcome back service this week. Thank you to one of our governors for creating this poster to summarise our vision and values.



Skylarks

This week in Skylarks we have been learning to use the track pads in computing and solving digital puzzles. In Art we have been learning how paper is made and have made some of our own recycled paper to draw on next week. In Science we have thought about how we use our sense of touch to find out about the world around us, we had lots of feely bags and had to guess what objects were inside. In Maths we have been looking at numbers to 20 and especially focussing on our number formation!

Mallards

We have been learning how sound travels in waves and how the ear works in Science this week. Can the children explain to someone at home all the different parts of the ear. Well done everyone for their work in music, you can sing and play alongside using tuned percussion. In Geography we have used a range of data to look at weather patterns in two different climate zones. Mrs White was really proud of how all the children are improving with their ball tracking and dribbling skills. Thank you all for being resilient and keeping going, even when the work get tricky.

Swans

This week in Swans we have been building inspectors in science and completed a site survey looking at the materials used and the condition they are in. We enjoyed designing a new playhouse for skylarks that would last for 20+ years in their outside area. In PE this week we have played football and have been doing underarm shots in badminton. In computing this half term we are making YouTube inspired explanation videos and we have enjoyed filming and today tried presenting an explanation on how to make a sandwich. I have been really impressed with the effort of the whole class with their homework and guided reading at home, keep it up. Mrs Sherwood

Consent forms

If you have not yet completed the following consent forms, please do so at your earliest convenience

Paper Versions

- Whole School Dental Screening
- Y3 & Y4 Bikeability
- Year 6 Hobart Coding morning

Online Versions

- Swans Flixton Air Museum
- Whole School Harvest Service
- Year 6 Arts day AT SJLHS

Parent Invites

- 24/10 - Harvest Service
- Parent cafes TBC

School Prayer

Mighty God from up high,
You are the Lord of the earth and sky,
We know we sometimes get things wrong,
We're sorry for those things we've done.
We thank you for our families, friends and school, We thank
you for loving us all.
Please can you let our lights shine, In all our work, including
mine.
Amen

Whole School Attendance

Year to date

98.89%



Helpful Information

School Website - <https://www.gillingham.dneat.org/>

School Meals - <https://www.gillingham.dneat.org/our-school/school-meals/>

School Calendar - <https://www.gillingham.dneat.org/calendar/>

Term dates 2024 / 2025- <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/38151>

Term dates 2025/2026 - <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/article/57134/Term-dates-and-school-holidays-2025-2026>

Office email - gillinghamoffice@kingfisherpartnership.org

Office Phone - 01502713425

App for School Communications - <https://www.myedschoolapp.com/>

Important Dates

Red dates have been added/updated since previous newsletters

- 27/09 - Dental Screening Whole School
- 01/10 - School Meals price increase
- 03/10 - Y6 to SJL for Arts Day
- 08/10 - NSPCC Workshop Y2, Y5, Y6
- 16/10 - Tempest individual & sibling photos
- **17/10 - Year 6 code breaking at Hobart High School**
- 24/10 - Harvest Service
- 04/11 - Flu Vaccination Programme
- **19/11 - Swans Flixton Air Museum Trip**
- 20/11 - Y6 & Reception NCMP
- 20/11 - Reception hearing & vision screening
- 24/10 - Last day of Autumn Term 1
- 04/11 - First day of Autumn Term 2
- 09/12 - 01/11 - Bikeability Level 1 Y3 & Y4
- 20/12 - Last day of Autumn Term 2
- 07/01 - First Day of Spring Term 1



Bungay Earthwake Outdoor Club

Sat. 21st September

For 8 – 13-year-olds. Quality time together at a beautiful wild site. Freedom, play & nature discovery. Hammocks, dens, fire, swing, crafts, bushcraft, relaxation...



2pm – 5pm @ Buck Hills

Meet & collect Old Harleston Rd Earsham NR35 2AF



We'll be outside all afternoon
Wear long trousers & closed boots/shoes

Snacks and drinks provided.
Facilitators are experienced, friendly & inclusive.
Qualified First Aiders & enhanced DBS checks.
All sessions, and the site, risk assessed.

£5/child (kindly subsidised by BungayTown Council)
Info/bookings: 07825 097732
lornaearthwake@gmail.com



Club Open Evenings

On Wednesday 4th & 11th September we are holding Open Evenings. Why not pop down, see where we play, what a session looks like, and meet some of the players and club volunteers.

6.00-7.00pm for children age 5+

7.30-8.30pm aged 16 years +

at East Point Academy Astro.



Find us on Facebook or contact Alex, 07760 166977



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BROOME MOSQUE & MEDITATION CENTRE



#SHARINGSTORIES

A national initiative for inviting neighbours

Childrens Activities Cultural Food Quizzes & Prizes Calligraphy Henna Art Bouncy Castle

Saturday
10AM-4PM

Sept 2024
28th

Sun Road Broome
Bungay
NR35 2RW

Feel welcome to give us a call on: 07792184465

@Siddiqa Nawaz, Broome Mosque and Meditation Centre



Free Event



'Back to School' Drop-In

**Monday 30th September
14:30 – 16:30**

At Poringland Library, NR14 7WB

Meet with a range of professionals and organisations for information, guidance and advice including:

- Family Hubs
- School and Community Team
- SENDIASS (available 14:30 – 15:00)
- Poringland Library Service
- Community Connector
- Mental Health in School Team

Suitable for families with children and young people of all ages

Any questions, please contact Daisy – Early Help Community Worker – daisy.palmer@norfolk.gov.uk

