

## Falcon Junior School

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It has been a busy week at Falcon. The children have really settled into their new classes and routines; walking around the school during the day feels lovely. It is so calm and positive. This week we have had trips going out to visit the church and we have been celebrating European Day of Languages.

Next week, we have a poet visiting each class across the school and each class will also have CPR training with the East Anglian Air Ambulance. Year 4 will be visiting Blakeney and our competitive football season in Year 6 gets underway in earnest.

Year 3 have been to the church this week to learn about harvest. While we were there we asked Reverend Dean some questions, sketched fruit and vegetables, wrote thank you letters and looked at different features in the church such as the pulpit and font. All the children were impeccably behaved.

This week, Year 4 have begun further developing the children's addition skills in maths and have practised elements of their everyday writing in English. Next week, we are looking forward to our geography trip to Blakeney and starting our Autumn Talk for Writing Text - The Wild Girl.

Year 5 enjoyed Languages Day this week as they found out about the many languages spoken by the children in the year group. Children took great pleasure in teaching their peers how to say simple phrases.

Year 6 have also learned some basic phrases in other languages, which some of our children spoke.

Some of the Toucans did Bikeability last Friday - they were amazing and received many positive comments from the instructors.

Our SHIP (Specialist Hub of Inclusive Practice) has been operating over the last few weeks in the old caretaker's bungalow. You can find out a little bit about if here: <a href="https://www.falcon.norfolk.sch.uk/web/ship/692184">https://www.falcon.norfolk.sch.uk/web/ship/692184</a>

The school safeguarding policies and procedures were approved by governors at our meeting last night. They can be found here:

<u>https://www.falcon.norfolk.sch.uk/web/safeguarding/624342</u> All of our data protection policies and procedures have been approved by governors as well and they can be found here: <u>https://www.falcon.norfolk.sch.uk/web/gdpr/624282</u> Finally, our approved 2024-25 Attendance Policy can be found here: <u>https://www.falcon.norfolk.sch.uk/web/policies/624286</u>

We are continuing to improve the school site. We have decided to remove the hedge at the front of school; it smells very unpleasant, collects lots of litter and is very time consuming for Mr Bird to maintain. We will be planting some trees and rewilding an area of the school to counteract this. We will also be adding screening to the front fences for privacy. Additionally, we are considering ways to improve the acoustics in the hall and are investigating ways of deadening the sound to reduce the echo.

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