



NEWSLETTER

Friday 27th February

It's been a great week for trips and visits this week. Dragonflies were absolutely brilliant at the Dance Festival – and really stood out in terms of resilience, determination and behaviour. Some of our Year 4s went to the Dodgeball competition and had a fantastic time. Meanwhile, year 6s had the opportunity to visit Framingham Earl to watch their performance of Oliver – what a fantastic way to get excited about the upcoming move to secondary school – and they even managed to catch up with some old friends 😊. However, my favourite moment this week was closer to home: Butterflies class have been learning about length and height and have been particularly enjoying measuring worms!! (not sure how the worms felt about it ...). It's lovely to see the focus and engagement on their faces – and the sheer enjoyment in their learning.

Maths in the Early Years

The children in Butterflies class have been learning all about length and height. They explored measuring using non-standard units, such as cubes, as well as using rulers and metre sticks. They measured lots of different things in their classroom and outdoor area, including the height of our daffodils and the length of some very wriggly worms!



This learning links to the EYFS, as the children were using everyday language to talk about size, length, height and distance, and making comparisons between objects and measurements. They also practised using mathematical vocabulary such as longer, shorter, taller and shorter, and explained their thinking to others. The children showed great curiosity and confidence as they explored, measured and worked together throughout the week.

ATTENDANCE

Our school target for attendance this year is 97%. This week our attendance was **97.4%**

Dragonflies class had the highest attendance with **98.6%**



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OLIVER!

Year 6 went to watch Oliver at Fram High School today. We all loved it! Many of the children are excited to take part in Fram's show next year!

It was particularly lovely to see some familiar Rockland faces - Eleanor, Hannah and Molly all performed beautifully!

World Book Day

Just a reminder that it is World Book Day on 5th March – we will be dressing up as our favourite book character (or school uniform) and having a reading café in the morning at drop off: 9 – 10am. Please feel welcome to join us!

Free Dyslexia Friendly World Book Day Audiobooks

There's a great range of free audiobooks to enjoy! Audiobooks are brilliant for dyslexic readers - they make stories easier to access and much more relaxing to enjoy. All the World Book Day books are available in audio, plus there are free video stories for younger children. Have a listen here:

<https://www.worldbookday.com/book-types/audiobook/>

Parent survey

We really appreciate your views!

[Rockland- Parent View 2026 – Fill out form](#)

Parent forums – you said – we did

- We need wrap around care – wrap around care now provided
- More information about phonics – now on website with how -to videos
- Calendar was confusing on the newsletter – now clearer and information given ahead of time (where possible)
- Too many emails – we try to put all information on one email at the end of the week (where possible)
- The road is dangerous – suggest lining up on the pavement near the Margeret Mack. Send multiple reminders on Newsletter. Contacted Parish Council for support. Contacted the police for support. Contacted MP for support.
- Ice on the road – contacted Norfolk Highways. Contacted the Trust. Next action is to write to MP Ben Goldsborough
- Now four classes: new class names new class identity
- Pupil numbers increased from 42 to 77 in 3 years
- Top SATS results (100% in maths)
- Great outcomes for SEND pupils

SEND cafe

We will be holding a SEND drop-in café, facilitated by the South Norfolk Family Hub on Thursday 30th April 9-11am.

If you have any questions about special educational needs please come along.

A flyer for a SEND cafe event. It features a light blue background with a teal border and pink decorative shapes. At the top left is the 'Start for Life' logo, and at the top right is the 'family hubs' logo. The text is centered and includes a question about needing support, an invitation to chat with Sharon, a list of topics Sharon can help with, and her email address. At the bottom is the Norfolk County Council logo.

Start for Life

family hubs

Parents, Carers and Guardians

Do you feel you need support or advice regarding your children?

Come along and chat to Sharon your Early Help Community Worker from the South Norfolk Family Hub .

Sharon is here to help with:

- **Behaviour Advice**
- **Mental Health & Emotional Wellbeing**
- **Household Finances & Cost of Living**
 - **Parenting Support**
 - **External referrals**
- **Any Other Concerns**

sharon.winterbone@norfolk.gov.uk

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Dates for the Diary

Weekly

- **Every Tuesday (ongoing)** – *Snug as a Bug* at the Margaret Mack Hall (morning sessions – all welcome to pop in)

February/March

- **Swimming:** Dragonflies every Wednesday from 25th Feb to 25th March

March

- **Tuesday 3rd March** – Nursery Open Morning, 9:00am–10:30am
- **Thursday 5th March** – World Book Day Reading Café
- **Tuesday 17th March:** Music Festival years Reception to year 6
- **Wednesday 18th – Friday 20th March** – Bawdsey Residential years 5/6
- **Friday 27th March** – Last day of the Spring Term
- **Easter Holiday:** Monday 30th March – Tuesday 14th April

April

- **Wednesday 15th April** – Return to school after Easter Holiday
- **Thursday 23rd April** – Open Morning
- **Tuesday 28th April** – Parent/Carers' Information Evening, 4:00pm–5:00pm @ FEHS

May

- **Thursday 21st May** –
 - Y7 Director of Learning visit to Year 6
 - Parent Forum @ Margaret Mack Hall – 8:50am

FORMS AGM

**SATURDAY
MARCH 7TH
6-7PM**



**ALL
WELCOME**

**1 HOUR ONLY!!!!
128 THE STREET, RSM**



PINS 2025



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
<p>Session 9. Behind the Mask: Thinking about why children mask and how home and school can work together</p>	<p>26th Feb 1000-1100 Family Action Norfolk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent/Carers 	<p>NORFOLK PINS 2026: Session 9</p> 
<p>Session 12. Plan Bee Taster: Understanding and Supporting Neurodivergence at home and at school</p>	<p>3rd March 0930-1100 Family Action Norfolk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent/Carers 	<p>Norfolk PINS 2026: Session 12</p> 
<p>Session 14. A Low Demand Approach – Looking at demand anxiety and strategies to help</p>	<p>5th March 1000-1100 Family Action Norfolk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent/ Carers 	<p>NORFOLK PINS 2026: Session 14</p> 
<p>Session 17. Plan Bee Taster: Understanding and Supporting Neurodivergence at home and at school</p>	<p>10th March 1530-1700 Family Action Norfolk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent /Carers 	<p>NORFOLK PINS 2026: Session 17</p> 
<p>Session 18. Anger or Anxieties? Thinking about emotional distress and how it can present.</p>	<p>12th March 1000-1100 Family Action Norfolk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent/ Carers 	<p>NORFOLK PINS 2026: Session 18</p> 
<p>Session 20. Masking - What It Looks Like, Why It Happens, and How We Can Support (evening)</p>	<p>12th March 1900-2030 Dr Pooky Knightsmith</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governors • SLT • SENDCO • Teachers • Parent/ Carers 	<p>NORFOLK PINS 2026: Session 20</p> 