

# Welcome back to the new term

January 2019

The staff would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

It has been lovely to see all of the children back at school ready for work - there has been a really purposeful atmosphere around school already. Our topic this term looks at the question 'I Wonder If Your World Is The Same As My World?' Details of the learning planned for each class and this term's homework tasks will be on the website later this week.

The children in years 3-5 will be going swimming on a Tuesday morning - the coach leaves at 8:45 sharp! Debbie Raven has spoken to them about what they need - if you have any questions please come and ask. Warm clothes (joggers work well), coats and hats please. Hot Chocolate (available to all children) will be on sale at break time - please order in the usual way.

In December we said 'goodbye' to Dave, our rugby coach, after more than 20 years at the school - he will be greatly missed. We are very lucky to have Lydia Raven, Norfolk cricketer, who has recently completed her 'Teaching and Learning in PE' qualification, available to extend Wednesday PE into other sports - handball this half of term - as well as some class PE and Outdoor Education. Watch out for our involvement in Born To Move - details to follow.

<https://www.lesmills.com/borntomove/>

It seems strange to be looking forward to the next school year already but applications for children to start school in September are due by 15<sup>th</sup> January. If you, or someone you know, have not yet applied please get your application in as soon as possible to stand the best chance of securing your first choice of school for your child. Visits to school are always welcomed - please contact Joanne Green in the office.

We look forward to seeing you in the coming weeks - you are welcome to talk to staff informally before and after school, you can email

[office@garboldisham.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:office@garboldisham.norfolk.sch.uk) or phone us, 01953 681327. Information is available on our website <http://www.garboldisham.norfolk.sch.uk> where you can sign up for alerts via the website or free app.

<http://www.garboldisham.norfolk.sch.uk/school-communication/>

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>JANUARY</b>		<i>Dates are <b>subject to change</b>, and more will be added.</i>
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Swimming starts for children in Y 3-5 – EVERY TUESDAY THIS TERM	
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Whole school trip to the Pantomime – Aladdin at the Theatre Royal, Norwich	
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Y5&6 meeting – with parents/carers – Horstead residential trip ★ <b>CHANGE OF DATE TO WEDNESDAY 23<sup>RD</sup></b>	
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	Y5&6 meeting – with parents/carers – Horstead residential trip	
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Rowan Tree class trip to West Stowe 2:45 FROGS Cakes & Hot Chocolate sale	
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Eastern Shotokan Karate taster sessions. <i>Vouchers available for follow-up sessions at Breckland Leisure Centre, Thetford</i>	
<b>FEBRUARY</b>		
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Reception children – hearing & vision check	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	1:30pm: drop -in session available to parents with Simon Andrew – Parent Support Advisor – details to follow	
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am – 10:00am: RECEPTION parents/carers Open Morning	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1/2 Dance Festival at Diss High School - TBC	
18 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> inclusive	<b>HALF TERM</b>	
Week beginning 25 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' consultations – our main 'feedback' meetings	
<b>MARCH</b>		
Week beginning 4 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 – 'Crucial Crew' training – date to be confirmed	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	9:00: Collective Worship in church with Dr Hunt – Diss High School – parents welcome	
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Cross Country Final – Holkham Hall – qualifying children	
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Progress & Attainment reports to parents Y1-Y6	
<b>APRIL</b>		
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Street Dance enrichment sessions from Premiere Sport	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	1:30 – Easter Service in church. All welcome	
8 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> inclusive	<b>EASTER HOLIDAY</b>	
<b>MAY</b>		
During May	Y2 SAT tests	
Week beginning 13 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 SAT tests	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Y6 End of SATS lunch!</b>	
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Y5/6 residential trip to Horstead Centre	
27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> inclusive	<b>HALF TERM</b>	
<b>JUNE</b>		
Week beginning 10 <sup>th</sup>	Y1 Phonic check	
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Fun Morning at Diss High School	
<b>JULY – dates of end of term performances to be confirmed</b>		
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:00am – Sports day	
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Familiarisation day at Diss High School Yr-Y5 annual reports to parents/carers	
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 annual reports to parents/carers	
Week beginning 15 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' consultations to discuss annual reports if requested	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term – arrangements to be confirmed	
School term dates can be found via this link: <a href="https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/term-dates-and-school-holidays">https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/term-dates-and-school-holidays</a>		