



Aslacton Primary School - Newsletter Friday 9th July 2021 This term our Core Value is: Community

This week in Aslacton

Here is a snapshot of our learning this week: Owls have been designing and describing 'mixed-up' safari animals, writing about lions to show what they have learned and writing thank you letters to Africa Alive. They have also explored measuring and have compared themselves to the heights of different African animals. In geography we have learned about the differences between an English village and an African village. This week in maths, Kestrels have continued to learn about different measurements; Year 2 and 3 have had lots of practise at reading scales, and have tested a range of containers to check their capacity. Year 4 have focused on tricky measurement problems. In English, we have put the finishing touches on our persuasive PowerPoints about our ecolodge resorts, and we look forward to presenting them to the rest of the class next week. In science, we investigated the effects of exercise on the human body by carrying out a range of activities and checking our heart rate after each one. Eagle class have been extending their maths learning on time, by studying timetables and television guides. We have completed a television maths trail quiz. In English, we have studied and analysed a poem about flamingos - 'The Flamingo's Lament' by Jan Dean. The children have composed some beautiful poems, using the language and structure as inspiration. In Science, we have studied the famous scientist, Carl Linnaeus. Kestrel and Eagle class finished the week with a fantastic trip to Banham consolidating learning on Amazon animals and animal classification. Well done everyone!

Sports Day Results

After counting and verifying we can reveal that the winners of the sports day cup this year were.... Mundesley! Well done to everyone who took part this year and earned points for their teams. The final scores are listed below:

MundesleyWintertonHolkhamBrancaster39253630342233611st2nd3rd4th

Upcoming Dates:

End of the academic year:
Wednesday 21st July 2021 at 3.05
(Owls gate opens) and 3.15
(Kestrel and Eagle).

Leaver's Service 21st July—by invitation only

Year 6 tubing 14th July

Kestrel Forest Schools 19th July

Start of 2021– 2022 academic year:
6th September 2021

Headteacher's Award

Owl: Eleanor for your excellent writing this week.

Kestrel: Rowan for your brilliant mental maths work, accurate and confident.

Eagle: Henry for your enthusiastic and responsible behaviour at playtime, using your own initiative to sort, collect and return over 50 pieces of lost playground equipment!

Well done to you all.

SMILE: We aspire to unlock the full potential of every pupil in a safe environment by Stimulating, Motivating, Inspiring Learning and Enjoyment

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Leaver's Service

We have taken the difficult decision to hold our Leaver's Service by invitation only this year—although it is likely that most restrictions will have been lifted by 21st July, we are very conscious that so close to the end of term we do not want to compromise the exceptional work everyone (pupils, staff and parents) has done to follow the rules, maintain distances and bubbles and keep everyone safe just before the holidays begin. To this end we will hold an outdoor end of year service and celebration and will only be able to invite the parents of those leaving us for their next adventures. We thank you for your understanding and we hope to be able to invite you all to be part of our school life more fully again from September (dare we say we have even penciled in a date for the Christmas play this week!).

School disco

A huge thank you to the Friends for organising the disco this week. Unfortunately James D was unable to run the disco at the last moment, but we are very thankful to Mrs Leggett for finding Dan from Epic Events who stepped in at the last minute and gave the children a great evening of dancing and games. Thank you everyone who supported this event. The Friends will be holding more events next year as restrictions are lifted.

School visits

Another huge thank you - this time to the staff who have organised and led successful trips to Africa Alive and Banham Zoo over the last 2 weeks. We would all like to express our thanks to the Friends who funded the coaches for these trips enabling us to keep the cost to parents as low as possible. We look forward to more visits next year!

Attendance:

We take pride in attendance at our school. We will publish the attendance figures here for each class each week.

If your child is unwell and unable to be in school, please ensure that you phone and leave a message to inform us before 9.30am.

Absences not accounted for after this time will be recorded as unauthorised.

Whole school: 92%

Owl: 82%

Kestrel: 97%

Eagle: 95%

House Points

Here is how the house point chart stands at the end of this week with one more week to go until the cup is awarded.

	Holkham	Winterton	Brancaster	Mundesley
This week:	122	131	102	172
This term so far:	1996	1896	1777	2037

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Cake Friday

Thank you to all who took part in the last cake Friday a grand total of £41.50 was raised. Thank you to Nosh for the cake—it looked amazing!

There is one final opportunity this year to win a cake—next Friday (16th) we have a cake generously donated by Katherine's Kitchen on offer. Tickets 50p on the day as usual.

It is our hope that Cake Friday can return in it's usual format during September.

Arrangements for September

We are finalisng our class structures and the provisions we need to put in place in September and hope to share more information with you next week. You will also receive your child's progress report next week too. We are hoping that we can return to our usual start and end of day times and procedures and more normal in school working from September, we are just awaiting final confirmation from the DfE and local authority of this. We will send out details as soon as we possibly can. Thank you for your understanding and support as we navigate these next steps.

Final Day Menu

We have been informed by the kitchen that there will be a special menu for the last day of the academic year (Wednesday 21st July). The menu will be as follows:

Beef Burger in a home-made roll

or

Vegetable goujons in a home-made roll (V)

Served with chips, carrot and cucumber sticks and tomato sauce

Followed by shortbread biscuit and ice-cream.