



Year 4 Newsletter

Summer 1

Welcome to the Otters Class Summer 1 newsletter. This is a short term but a really busy one and we have lots to look forward to. Our class book is a biography of Charles Darwin and we will be writing discussions demonstrating both sides of an argument. We will also be starting an exciting opportunity to learn violin on Tuesday mornings and will be taking part in a VE day workshop.

Please continue to ensure that your children is practising their times table knowledge as we are only a few weeks away from the Multiplication Tables Check. Finally, as the weather gets warmer, please ensure that your child has their water bottle, a hat and suncream in school.

Dates for your diary:

28.04.26 - Whole Class Photos

04.05.26 - Bank Holiday Monday (school closed)

18th-22nd May— Aspirations Week

22nd May—Talent show

22.05.26 - End of term

Home Learning

Every week your children are given home learning activities. This gives parents / carers the opportunity to support your child's learning. A daily read, reading through letter sounds (phonics) or practicing times tables really boosts your child's rapid recall of information.

Thetford Library - The library is aware of the topics taught at Norwich Road. Every half term they get additional books for children to borrow for free. Children will benefit from some self study and sharing books with others.

If you have any questions about home learning please speak with your child's class teacher.

We walk around the academy with pride. We are calm and ready for the next activity.

SMART Walking



Steady pace

Moving in a straight line

Arms by your sides

Remember to face forwards

Talking is not permitted



Our Value this half term is 'Aspire'

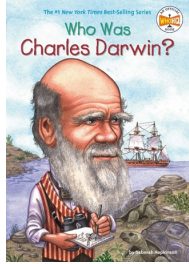
Aspire - An NRA Super Learner has high aspirations for themselves and high standards for their learning. They have ambitions and support the ambitions of others. They are organised and take responsibility. Their learning crosses real and perceived boundaries.

This half term we will be focusing on hard work and trying our best. We will try and help ourselves by being organised and helping others. We will take pride in our uniform and ensure we follow our Code of Conduct to. Good behaviours for learning ensure we access all learning opportunities.

Curriculum Focus

English

This term, we will be writing a discussion text and reading a biography of Charles Darwin.



Maths

We will be continuing our work on calculating with decimals before moving onto working with money. Additionally, we will be doing two extra half hour sessions of times table work on Thursday and Friday afternoons to assist in getting ready for the Multiplication Tables Check.

Science

In science, our topic is Classification of Species. We will be learning about vertebrates and invertebrates and how we can use classification keys to distinguish between species. We will look at plants as well as animals.

Computing

In computing, we will work on editing photos and also think about how other people edit photos and why they might do it. We will use this as a way to discuss online safety and how we can check whether an image we see online is genuine.

Art

Embroidery is our topic in Art. We will continue to develop our needlework skills that we used when making our cushions earlier in the year. We will think about different types of stitches and will decorate a bookmark using our embroidery skills.

Life Skills

The title of our topic is Citizenship for this half term. We will think about human rights, caring for the environment and our community.

How does the waste hierarchy work?



Music

Our ukulele lessons are our focus in music this half term. We will also be learning some songs to perform at the Norfolk Show in June.

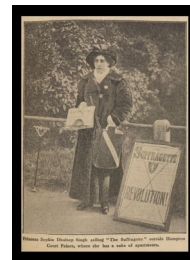


Geography

Japan is our topic in geography. We will locate Japan on a map, learn about the language and culture, about the different cities including Tokyo and Kyoto as well as how the climate changes through Japan.

History

We will be working with the local heritage project to learn about Sophia Duleep Singh in this half term.



For further information on our curriculum please visit our website at: www.norwichroadacademy.co.uk

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