

## **Year 5/6 Newsletter**



### **Autumn 1**

Welcome to our Year 5/6 newsletter!

We hope you find this informative and a useful prompt to ask your child questions about their school day. See what your child can tell you about each of the subjects they do!

We have been very excited to welcome back the children to school and had a lovely first week getting to know everyone and immersing ourselves in our learning through hook tasks. Check out our science hook task on our social media pages if you haven't already!

Keep an eye on Class Dojo for updates, dates for your diary and information about homework.

Miss Hannah Archibald, Mr Patrick Miles and Miss Leah Barber

#### Dates for your diary

Monday 16th September— Deadline for Bikeability consent forms (Year 5 only)

Thursday 26th September 2024—Year 6 Manufacturing Day, Warren Services.

Friday 27th September 2024—European Day of Languages.

#### The Norwich Road Academy Way

All children are expected to wear the academy uniform everyday. Children in Key Stage 2 (Year 3,4,5,6) must wear a collared shirt and a tie.

Foxes are able to come to school in their NRA PE kits on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Woodpeckers are able to come to school in their NRA PE kits on Mondays and Wednesdays.

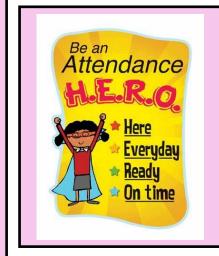
Badgers are able to come to school in their NRA PE kits on Thursdays and Fridays.

#### **Attendance Matters**

Our classrooms open at 8.40.

Registration is 8.45

Anyone arriving after this time will be recorded as late.





#### Our Value this half term is 'Be Proud'

An NRA Super Learner is proud of their own achievements in learning but also celebrates the learning achievements of others. They celebrate success and understand the contribution of their own and others efforts in achieving this.

This half term the children will be focusing on our Code of Conduct including: 'SMART' Walking 'SLANT' Listening Our Smart Uniform

Politeness and manners, these are 'SPENT': 'Smile, Please, Excuse me, use a Name, Thank you'. We encourage children to demonstrate this behaviour and use these words.







# Curriculum Focus

#### **English**

Our class text for this half term is, Goodnight Mister Tom by Michelle Magorian. We are focussing on narrative writing and will be learning about the features of a narrative over the coming weeks.

#### **Maths**

In maths, we have already done some work around Roman numerals. We are now developing our understanding of place value. We are working with numbers up to 10 million!

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#### **Science**

We are studying the human body and focussing on the circulatory system. For our hook lesson, we used syringes to simulate how the right side of heart pumps deoxygenated blood from the body to the lungs and how the left side pumps oxygenated blood from the lungs out to the body.

#### **French**

In our French lessons, we are visiting the salon de thé (the tea room/café). We will learn about French food and drinks and how to order these items.



#### <u>Art</u>

We are delving into the Italian Renaissance in our art lessons. We will look at pieces from famous artists, including Leonardo Da Vinci.



#### Life Skills

Life skills this half term focuses our learning on families and relationships. We establish class rules so we feel comfortable sharing our ideas and opinions.



#### Music

In music, we are looking at how music is used in films, such as Harry Potter and Mission Impossible. We will discuss the tempo, pitch, dynamics and consider how these create an effect for the film



#### Geography

Geographers need to have a good understanding of spatial sense and that is what we are learning about this half term. We'll learn about longitude, latitude, time zones and even map projection.

#### **History**

Our history learning takes us into Asia where we are delving into Baghdad and it's link to Islam. We will look at the layout of the city and why people from around the world came there to trade, teach and learn.

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

Further information about Eastern Multi Academy Trust can be found here: www.eastern-mat.co.uk

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#### **Home Learning**

Home learning activities will be sent home every week on a Friday. Please return your child's home learning book each Wednesday.

Reading logs can be used daily to record any reads. The log gives key questions you can ask your child when reading and different ways your child can practise their weekly spelling.