



Castle Acre Newsletter for week ending 11th July 2025

The Nar Valley Federation of Church Academies

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WE ARE HOSTING AN EARLY HELP COMMUNITY HUB - TUESDAY 15th. 2:30-4:00 IN SCHOOL. SEE ATTACHED FLYER!

Dear Parents/Carers,
It is that time of year again that I dread - sending my final message of the year which means we are closer to saying goodbye to our wonderful Year 6s. When I think about that, even the sunshine and warm weather doesn't seem deserving of a mention!
We have had a superb transition week; I couldn't be prouder of our children. All our new children have been welcomed with open arms and unanimously wanted to stay to see the term out! But none of this would be possible and our children wouldn't be so well prepared without the hard work and dedication of the entire staffing team. I am in awe of what they do on a daily basis and cannot say enough what a fantastically dedicated and conscientious team they are. From the bottom of my heart - **THANK YOU!**
A huge thank you to you too. You are such a lovely community and I look forward to my mornings on the gate. It is a pleasure to work with you and your support throughout your child's journey with us means a lot. I will be really sad to be saying goodbye to some of you. For those of you returning in September, I look forward to another year and know that together we will achieve amazing things and we will 'let our light shine'.

Upcoming Events

See Diary Dates for details.....

Monday 14th July - Litcham Y6 Transition Day

Tuesday 15th July - Oak Performance and Y6 Leavers Celebrations, 1.30 - 2.30pm Parents/Carers of Oak Class pupils invited to attend.

Early Help Community Market Place in Oak Class, 2.30pm - 4pm

Wednesday 16th July - Wycomb Farm Cuddle Corner visit for Whitebeam Class

Premier Education Summer Sports Club for Rec - Y6, 3.15 - 4.15pm. (last session)

Friday 18th July - Castle Acre's Got Talent Show (no Parents/Carers this year) 1 - 2.30pm

The Friends End of Term Disco for Castle Acre pupils, with DJ Tamion - NB: **New Time: 5.30 - 7.00pm**

Attendance Awards w/e 11/7/2025

Class	%
Rowan	93.18
Whitebeam	92.92
Oak	94.29

Below par attendance for all classes this week. Please do better next week, thank you.



Reminders and Information.....

Current Year 5 pupils:

Please remember to order your Federation polo shirts and fleeces ready for Year 6 in September. Please ensure names are **NOT** embroidered on for safeguarding purposes, thank you.

Current Y6 leavers:

If you have any unused, good condition uniform you no longer require, please feel free to bring it to the office to hand to others in need, thank you.

Please click [here](#) to access the recent Family Action and Autism letter

Payments on Arbor

We understand that sometimes it's difficult to keep track of payments for various events. However, if we do not receive all of the payments in advance for clubs and trips, it means we are unable to cover the cost of them which could affect having them in the future. We appreciate your support as always. If we do not make the income we are predicted to - ie if not every parent pays - then it could mean losing things from next year's budget that the children have had this year, so please do your bit and pay. Thank you.

End of Term Summer Disco - Friday 18th July

Pupils of Castle Acre Primary are invited to dance and play games along to DJ Tamion, 5.30 - 7pm. Entry £1 and refreshments are £1 each including hotdogs, popcorn, ice lollies, drinks and more.

Before School Care is available Mon - Fri from 8am to 8.40am at £2 per session.

After School Care is available Mon - Fri 3.10pm to 4.30pm at £6 per session.

Tuck Shop - Wednesday and Friday morning break - 40p per day





AWARDS





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Rowan Class

Award	Goes to...	For..... 
Reader of the week		none due to transition week
Writer of the week 		none due to transition week
Mathematician of the week		none due to transition week
Shining Light	Lexi Ava	For being super helpful tidying our classroom. For great participation during a music workshop.
Reads at home		

Whitebeam Class

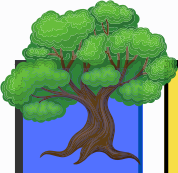
Award	Goes to...	For.....
Reader of the week		none due to transition week
Writer of the week		none due to transition week
Mathematician of the week 		none due to transition week
Shining Light		none due to transition week
Tackling Tables 	Isla B x 2 Ella x 7 Florence x 2 Ivy x 2 Skyla x 2 Isla P	Blue phase certificates
Reads at home	Finlay	150 reads 





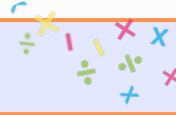

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Oak Class

Award	Goes to...	For..... 
Reader of the week		none due to transition week
Writer of the week 		none due to transition week
Mathematician of the week		none due to transition week 
Shining Light 		none due to transition week
Reading Stars	Holly	Silver book worm - 250 reads
Tackling Tables	Molly Isla James Marley	Blue - x2, x5 and x10 Red - missing numbers Blue - x5 Blue - divide by 2 and 51



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Help with online safety::



The CEOP website, run by the National Crime Prevention agency, gives helpful advice about when and how to report your concern.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Get-help/Reporting-an-incident/>



See these links for further information, games and tips:

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/4_7/
https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/8_10/
<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>



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Safeguarding.....

Please see our survey on smartphone use at school that is out today. It is very short but relates to a school policy for September, so please do fill it in.

Healthy mind, healthy body

Summer holiday competition - we will be running a competition for our children to design a poster to promote having a healthy mind...so get your thinking caps on!

Message from the Executive Headteacher....



Nar Valley Federation Sports Day Finals!

The children who came 1st, 2nd and 3rd in our races at each school's separate Sports Days came together today to take part in the NVF Sports Day Finals!
A big congratulations to all our competitors who battled hard to win a medal today.

Our NVF winners were:

Middle Distance:

Final 1:
Y3 - 1st CastleAcre - Finley
2nd Narborough - Danny
3rd CastleAcre - Sybil

Final 2:
CastleAcre - Tia
Narborough - Reggie
Sporle - Nicholas

Final 3:
CastleAcre - Etta
CastleAcre - Oliver
Narborough - Leo

Y4 - 1st Narborough - Bow
2nd CastleAcre - Lola
3rd Sporle - Sienna

Narborough - James
Sporle - Annie
Narborough - Deborah

Narborough - Chloe
Sporle - Adhanaa
Sporle - Teddy

Y5 - 1st CastleAcre - Charlie
2nd Narborough - Chloe
3rd Sporle - Henry

Y6 - 1st Narborough - Theo
2nd Narborough - Nicole
3rd Sporle - Bella

Narborough - Archie
Sporle - Joel
CastleAcre - Pearl

Relay winners:

Y3/4 - 1st Narborough - James, Reggie, Chloe, Bow
2nd CastleAcre - Etta, Oscar, Lola, Sybil
3rd Sporle - Sienna, Annie, Nicholas, Teddy

Y5/6 - 1st Narborough - Paige, Theo, Archie, Nicole
2nd CastleAcre - Charlie, James, Pearl, Harry
3rd Sporle - Ralph, Henry, Ella-Rose, Joel



Thank you to TNH A for hosting us, to ICS coaches Mr Gibbs and Mr Austin for helping us and to our families who came along to watch and cheer on our most talented runners.

Friends of Castle Acre School (FOCAS).....

End Of Year Summer Disco - Fri 18th July 5.30pm-7pm

Come and celebrate the end of the year with some music, dancing and let your hair down. Parents welcome to drop off or stay, we'll take a register with a contact number and do let us know who will be picking your child up. Any questions ask Libby - 07825229345.

£1 entry.

Refreshments for £1 each - American hot dogs, popcorn, Candy Floss, ice lollies, fizzy and still drinks.

Prayer for the Week....

Dear God

Thankyou for the animals we have. Thank you for a wonderful world.

Amen

By: Molly



Thank you as always for your support and partnership,

Head of School
Castle Acre C of E Primary Academy

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