



# Fakenham Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a good week.

The pupils have worked extremely hard this week and shown great enthusiasm in their learning. In English, the children have been developing their writing skills, focusing on improving sentence structure, vocabulary and presentation. In mathematics, classes have been building confidence with key concepts through a range of problem-solving and reasoning activities.

Accelerated reader continues to raise standards. Over 18,000,000 million words read and over 2500 books read, incredible!

We also have our first AR Word Millionaires of the year – Well done to Cosima & Sophie from Year6!



The year 4s demonstrated fabulous behaviour on their river walk on Wednesday and Thursday morning, it was a pleasure to walk and ramble along the Wensum as part of their Geography topic.

This week, year 5 have started, what is a whole school project, to spruce up our garden area, which unfortunately, has become a little neglected in recent times. They are weeding the beds and removing rotted wood. If anyone from the community would like to get involved with the resurrection of our beautiful garden, then please get in contact. Any help from the community would be massively appreciated.



Across the curriculum, pupils have continued to engage well in their foundation subjects, with thoughtful discussions and creative outcomes. It has been lovely to see the children supporting one another and demonstrating positive learning behaviours throughout the week.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

**Dates for your diary:**

Friends Disco	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February – 4.15pm – 5.15pm
Friends Valentine Stalls	9 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> February in the playground, after school
Wear Your Scarf to School Day	Friday 13th February – See letter attached
Half Term – School Closed	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February
School Re-opens	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February at 8.30am
Yr6 SATs parents meeting	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February (after school) tbc
Yr5 Reading Café	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March (morning) tbc
FJS World Book Day Event	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March
Yr6 SATs Practice Week	W/c 9 <sup>th</sup> March
Friends Mother's Day Stalls	9 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> March in the playground, after school
Red Nose Day	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March
Easter Break – School Closed	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April
School Re-opens	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April at 8.30am

And finally, today, tomorrow and Saturday sees the Great British Birdwatch in action, please try to spend an hour looking out of the window, in your garden or in a park and record what you can see!



Have an enjoyable weekend and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday.

Kind regards,  
Tom Scannell and the staff at FJS