



Colkirk C of E Primary Academy, Little Snoring Community Primary Academy and Sculthorpe C of E Primary Academy



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January newsletter

Dear parents,

The children have settled happily back into school after the Christmas holidays and are enjoying getting started on their new topics. The Seashells are comparing the Caribbean with the UK in their 'Pirates Ahoy!' topic, the Sea Turtles are learning about woodlands and jungles, whilst the Seahorses are focussing on the Galapagos, learning about evolution and inheritance. You should by now have received a copy of your child's knowledge organiser, explaining what they will be learning about in class and also activities that you can carry out to support them at home.

Outdoor Learning

Thanks to the kindness of a local resident, we have been able to secure a new location for our Outdoor Learning, meaning that the children will be able to explore the outdoors and enjoy learning about the natural environment. When it is your child's turn to go to outdoor learning, please make sure that they have **warm outdoor clothing and wellies**, as the grass is likely to be wet and the track is quite muddy.

Environment day

Our School Ambassadors (children who have been chosen to represent their year groups), are busy planning an Environment Day, which will take place on **10th February**. During the day, all classes will take part in activities designed to raise their awareness of environmental issues, as well as aiming to raise some money to donate to charity. We are suggesting that children come to school dressed in 'natural' colours such as green, brown or blue, or alternatively come dressed up as something related to nature or the environment, bringing a donation of £1.



New teacher

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Paffett, who will teach the Seahorses on Thursdays and Fridays. Mrs Paffett is an experienced teacher who has worked in other schools locally. We hope that she will be very happy at Colkirk.

Year 6 booster classes

Mrs Duthie will be running booster classes for the Year 6 children **after school on Tuesdays from 3.30 -4.30pm** in order to help prepare them for their SATs tests which take place in May. Please contact Mrs Duthie if you have any questions.

Sea Turtles trip

Mrs Dean is planning a trip to Amazonia Zoo, to tie in with the Sea Turtles' topic about woodlands and jungles. Further information to follow.

Reading books

Please make sure that your child has their reading book and reading record book at school **every day**. Some of the older children have been forgetting, which makes it very difficult when adults want to hear them read. It is a good idea to help and encourage your child to get into good learning habits, such as checking that they have everything that they need for school. This will make it easier for them to be responsible for their own things as they get older.

Warm clothes and PE kits

Please make sure that your child has a warm coat to wear outside at playtime and warm joggers and long sleeved tops on PE days. Please make sure that all kit is named. We are still seeing children dressed in shorts and T-shirts for PE, even though the weather has been so cold! If anyone has difficulty with this, please contact the school office.

Best wishes,

Gillian Duthie

Head of School



Dates for your diary

Tuesday 25th January (and every Tuesday after this) - Y6 Booster classes. 3.30 - 4.30pm

28-30th January - RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch - fun to take part in at home. Further information at www.rspb.org.uk

Monday 31st January Reception Hearing and Vision screening and Height and Weight check

Thursday 10th February - Environment Day in school- come dressed in natural colours or costume for a donation of £1

7th -13th February - Children's Mental Health week.

Friday 11th February - Break up for half term. We return to school on Monday 21st February