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The Week Ahead

<p>Monday 26th February 2024</p>	<p>Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Dodgeball Club (Active Norfolk) for Key Stage 2 with Ben at 8.30am in the Hall. Netball Tournament for selected pupils – please bring packed lunches. After School Club until 5pm. £5.</p>
<p>Tuesday 27th February 2024</p>	<p>Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Reception and Year 1 Dance and Yoga Club from 8.30am before school in Amber Class (Active Norfolk). Dodgeball Club (Active Norfolk) for Key Stage 2 with Ben at 8.30am in the Hall. KS1 and KS2 Choir (combined) with Mrs Towers from 8.30am before school (no charge). After School Club until 5pm. £5.</p>
<p>Wednesday 28th February 2024</p>	<p>Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Reception and Year 1 Dance and Yoga Club with Miss Covell from 8.30am before school in Amber Class (Active Norfolk). Dodgeball Club (Active Norfolk) for Key Stage 2 with Ben at 8.30am in the Hall. Swimming for Year 5 Group 1 – please bring packed lunches. KS1 Football Club (girls and boys) with Ben 3 - 4.15pm. £5. (After School Club available afterwards until 5pm, no extra cost.) After School Club until 5pm. £5.</p>
<p>Thursday 29th February 2024</p>	<p>Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Mrs Mead's Breakfast Book Club for selected pupils at 8am. Dodgeball Club (Active Norfolk) for Key Stage 2 with Ben at 8.30am in the Hall. KS2 Football Club after school 3 – 4.15pm. £5. (After School Club available afterwards until 5pm, no extra cost.) PLEASE BRING WATERPROOF COATS / WARM PE KIT. KS2 Netball Club after school 3 – 4.15pm. £5. (After School Club available afterwards until 5pm, no extra cost.) After School Club until 5pm. £5.</p>
<p>Friday 1st March 2024</p>	<p>Breakfast Club from 8am. £5. Dodgeball Club (Active Norfolk) for Key Stage 2 with Ben at 8.30am in the Hall. After School Club until 5pm. £5.</p>



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 4th – Wednesday 6th March: Parent Interviews 3.15 - 6pm.

Wednesday 27th March: School closes at 3pm for Easter break. No After School Club today.

Monday 15th April: School reopens for Summer Term.

Wednesday 17th April: Internet Safety / Life Skills parent session at 9am in the school hall. All welcome.

Monday 6th May: School closed for May Bank Holiday.

Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May: National Tests for Year 6 pupils.

Thursday 23rd May: Reception pupils Vision and Hearing Screening.

Monday 27th – Fri 31st May: School closed for Summer Half Term.

Monday 3rd June: School reopens for 2nd half of Summer Term.

Friday 19th July: School closes at 3pm for Summer holidays. No After School Club today.

Art Club



Art Club will not be continuing after half term. It will resume in the Summer term – please look out on the newsletter for dates.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

The Extended Classroom

Outdoor Learning Permission (Emerald, Ruby Class and Amethyst Class)

We previously asked parents of children in Ruby and Amethyst Class to give permission for children to take part in outdoor learning activities which might take place outside the school grounds. We would like to extend this to include Emerald Class too because we plan to introduce a weekly jogging event on Bridge Road when it is too muddy to use the playing field for Cross Country. Any activities will have a full risk assessment and appropriate staff levels. If you are happy for your child to take part in occasional out of school outdoor learning activities, please email the school office on office@colby.norfolk.sch.uk.



Regional Indoor Athletics

Good luck to **Leonardo** and **Ophelia** (Amethyst) who are competing for Norfolk in the Regional Indoor Athletics Championships tomorrow at the UEA. A fantastic achievement to be in the top 10 under 11 athletes in Norfolk, they will compete against four other counties. We look forward to hearing how it went!



Everyone Leads Awards

Congratulations to the following children who were awarded certificates for their wonderful manners. A lovely bunch of polite and happy children – well done!

Freddie (Amber), **Noah** (Sapphire)
Jacob B (Emerald), **Reuben** (Emerald), **Harris** (Emerald)
Bea (Ruby), **Matthew** (Ruby)
Florence (Amethyst)



Headteacher Awards

Milo (Sapphire) for amazing Esteban work
Lily and Sebastian (Sapphire) for fabulous phonics
Quinn (Sapphire) for asking to take English work out to break to finish
Sebastian (Sapphire) for amazing 'hot' maths
Leo, Hugo, Milo, Quinn, Felix, Seb, Verity and Edward (Sapphire)
for wonderful tricky 'chilli' maths
Ivy (Ruby) for a great understanding of culture
Alannah (Ruby) for passing the Finalist times tables challenge
Bea (Ruby) for passing the Gold times tables challenge
Orin (Amber) for amazing drawing and writing
Oscar (Amber) for great bird watching
Freddie (Amber) for great focus in his writing
Ruby (Amber) for a lovely letter to Bruno the Palaeontologist
Charlie (Amber) for great focus during phonics
Hudson (Emerald) for being kind
Margot, Rita, Scarlett, Lucas, Reuben, Barney, Isaac, Harry and Harrison (Emerald)
for excellent story writing
Albert, Bertie, Georgina, Verity, Jacob C and Julia (Emerald) for brilliant maths
Flint (Emerald) for an incredible attitude to maths
Flint (Emerald) for amazing fractions work all week
Anya, Florence, Brooke, Alannah, Felix, Charlie D and Louis (Amber) for fantastic phonics
All of Reception pupils for beautiful writing
Lucas (Emerald) for amazing independent writing



Ruby Class – Letter from Duncan Baker MP

Dear Ms Towers and Ruby Class,

Thank you very much for taking the time to write me such wonderful letters about plastic pollution in the oceans. I am so pleased to hear that you have been learning about climate change in school. This is a very important topic and one that I am very passionate about in Parliament.

I was very pleased to read in your letters that you are learning about the impacts of climate change here in North Norfolk, particularly coastal erosion and rising sea levels. We are certainly fortunate here in North Norfolk with one of the most unspoilt natural environments across the entire country, so I'm absolutely determined to see it protected, and preserved for future generations.

I absolutely agree with you all that one of the most important set of issues for the next generation is tackling climate change. This is why I joined the Environmental Audit Select Committee, the highest body in Parliament, dealing with environmental issues.

As many of you very rightly mentioned, coastal erosion affects us more in North Norfolk because we have a large stretch of coastline. My personal opinion is that it's absolutely crucial that we take all the necessary measures to ensure that our coastline is protected and preserved for future generations such as yourselves.

As an MP, I work closely with the Government and I was delighted to see that North Norfolk will receive a £36 million investment, as part of the Flood and Coast Innovation Programme, to help adapt to the impacts of coastal erosion that we are experiencing. This will help villages just like Happisburgh.

Having grown up in North Norfolk myself, it saddens me to think of our wonderful natural environment being ruined by the effects of climate change. It is great to see keen young people such as yourselves thinking about recycling and ways to reduce plastic pollution. It makes me sad knowing that the amount of plastic into the ocean is predicted to triple between 2016 and 2040 and is already having a devastating impact on our natural environment, and I understand that urgent action is needed to address plastic pollution.

There has been a lot progress already made to address plastic pollution, including restricting the supply of plastic straws, plastic drink stirrers, and plastic-stemmed cotton buds.

The Government is also considering proposals to ban single-use plastic plates, cutlery, as well as other plastic items, including wet wipes and other single-use cups.

I am pleased to tell you that UK supports international action through the £500 million Blue Planet Fund. This aims to protect and enhance the marine environment, focusing on tackling marine pollution and supporting coastal communities such as ours.

I do really appreciate you all taking the time to write to me about this issue, which I too, am very as passionate about. Your letters were all absolutely excellent, and I do hope that you continue to enjoy learning about the environment and how to protect it.

Well done all of you.

Yours sincerely,
Duncan Baker MP

Member of Parliament for North Norfolk



New menu starting Wednesday 28th February 2024

MONDAY	Colby Kitchen will be out of use on Monday 26 th February and Tuesday 27 th February 2024 due to repair work being undertaken on our kitchen boiler. We will be unable to access the kitchen during this time and will therefore be unable to provide hot meals. If you are entitled to Universal Free School Meals (Amber and Sapphire children) or Free School Meals (KS2) and would like to order a packed lunch, please email Mrs Mead on head@colby.norfolk.sch.uk by Thursday 22 nd February 2024. Thank you.
TUESDAY	No hot meals available today – please see note above.
WEDNESDAY	Breaded Fish - served with new potatoes, sweetcorn and peas. Followed by a choice of fruit.
THURSDAY	Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans - served with salad. Followed by a choice of fruit.
FRIDAY	Cheese Pizza - served with cucumber and carrot sticks. Followed by a choice of fruit.

Have a lovely half term holiday!

Christine Mead