



November Newsletter



Children in Need

It is Children in Need on Friday 15th November; the children can bring a teddy bear to school (school uniform please) and a £1 voluntary contribution for the charity.

Fireworks

A massive thank you to our amazing volunteers FOSPINS for organising such a fantastic event for Fireworks night this year. They raised a massive £807.65. Special thanks goes to McKinnon Constructions for the fencing and stakes, Travis Perkins for lights and generators, Cromer Carnival committee for lights and a security team, Cromer Fire Service for the fire engine and talks about fire safety, Linda Everitt for the use of her money belts and Morrison's Cromer for the donation of £100 towards the fireworks. Thank you to everyone who supported our event and to those that came and had an enjoyable evening.

Halloween Bake Sale

Thank you to everyone that baked and brought in cakes for our spooky sale. We raised a £80.

Fun Run

The Fun Run in connection with Sports Relief was a great success. Everyone that took part had a really enjoyable time and welcomed their yummy healthy snack and refreshments afterwards, thank you FOSPINS for serving those. £1700 was raised which is a great achievement. This amount will be split between Sports Relief charity and our school. Thank you to everyone that sponsored.

Online Safety

What games are your children playing? Children often ask to play games that they've heard about or that their friends are playing but are they really appropriate? It is really important to research games that they ask to play before you say yes. 5 top tips for supporting children aged 3-7 online

1. Check age ratings first - Most games have an age rating from PEGI which are displayed on the packaging of the game or within some app stores. These are there to help you and your child to choose age appropriate games. You can also proactively search for age appropriate games and apps on Common Sense Media. We discuss these ratings with children in class.
2. Supervise game play - It is a good idea to supervise young children's use of the internet and technology. Try to get devices in family spaces where you are able to see the games that your child is playing, and you are there to support them if anything worries or upsets them.
3. Play games together - A great way of getting to know the content within a game is to play it together as a family. You could play a new game together for the first time or ask your child to show you how to play their favourite game. This is also a great opportunity to model safe and responsible game play to children.
4. Establish good habits early on - If your child is interested in online gaming at a young age then this is a good opportunity to manage the amount of time spent online, and establish a healthy balance of online and offline activities. Establishing these boundaries and routines at an early age is



beneficial for children as they grow up and engage with technology further.

5. Be aware of in-game features - Games can have different features within them and it's a good idea to explore these and make use of any safety settings. Look out for parental controls, reporting and blocking buttons and in-app purchases. Find out how to turn off or restrict in-app purchases through The App Store, Google Play or Windows Store.

Supporting our community

Our school choir has been asked to sing at the Xmas light up on Saturday 30th November. Letters will be going home shortly for the children invited to perform.

SCHOOL CLOSURE (DUE TO BAD WEATHER OR OTHER EMERGENCIES)

If the school needs to close for any reason, procedures are in place for information to reach you via local radio, school answer phone and text if possible. Any decision to close the school is not taken lightly and is done in consultation with our campus schools, taking into account advice available at the time. It is essential we have your correct mobile phone numbers in order to contact you. If you have not been receiving regular texts from school, please check your number with our secretary in the office.

REMINDERS

If you have any concerns about your child or anything else within school, please make an appointment with your child's teacher either before or after school.

Dates

Friday 15th November - Children in Need
Wednesday 20th November - Reading Café - Starfish
Thursday 21st November - 9:30am - 11:30am Open Day
Wednesday 27th November - Reading Café - Crab
Wednesday 27th November - Flu Immunisations
Thursday 28th November - Christmas tree festival Cromer Church - Come and visit our schools tree and see the decorations created as part of our craft club.
Friday 29th November - Mufti Day
Saturday 30th November - Cromer Lights Up
Monday 2nd December - Christmas Craft YR
Tuesday 3rd December - Christmas Craft YR
Friday 6th December - RockSteady Concert
Friday 6th December - Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 11th December - 9:30am YR Christmas performance
Thursday 12th December - 9:30am YR Christmas performance
Friday 13th December - 10am Y2 Christmas performance
Monday 16th December - 2pm Y1 Christmas performance
Tuesday 17th December - 9:30am Y1 and 2pm Y2 Christmas performance
Wednesday 18th December - Christmas Party

SCHOOL OFFICE

You can email the school office directly at: office@suffieldpark.norfolk.sch.uk

If your child is absent please call the office on the first day of the absence on 01263 513296.