

# Wells-next-the-Sea Primary and Nursery School

## Newsletter 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2017

### Yr 6

As part of our English poetry work, we went to have a look at the saltmarsh last Friday. It was



a bracing walk to say the least! The children have now begun work on their own versions of 'Overheard on a Saltmarsh' so we look forward to reading the completed versions very soon. In maths the children have started to tackle multiplication of decimals, thinking about the most efficient methods of calculation. On a maths note, we have registered all of the children onto a website which will send them two SATs style questions per day from now until the 'big week'. The children have already used the website at school and have passwords so that they can access the questions from home too. This can be done on a computer or, if they download the app from [diagnosticquestions.com](http://diagnosticquestions.com), the questions will be sent to their phone or tablet. I will be able to look at the children's answers and plan to 'fill any gaps' as necessary.

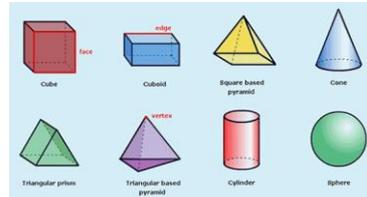
### Yr 5

Another brilliant and engaging week in Year 5. Following instructions to decorate biscuits at the beginning of the week was definitely a way to enthuse everybody. Maybe we should have biscuits every week? We have started our new topic (Can you feel the force?) and already we have some super ideas flying about. A fantastic Maths café as well this week where we calculated the amount of penguins everyone would have on their birthday and for those children who were born in December that was a lot of penguins.



### Yr 4

Thank you to everyone who came to our Maths Café this week. We had a great time investigating shapes. Our entries for the BBC 500 Words competition are coming along well. We are helping each other with constructive criticism as we write.



### Yr 3

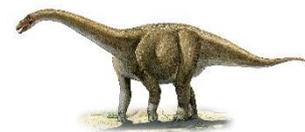
Following our work looking at newspaper reports in English, we have been working hard



to write our own reports this week making sure we include all the necessary features. We have continued working on multiplication and division within Maths and are looking forward to number day on Friday 3rd February. What number will you dress up as?

### Yr 2

As part of our topic work we will be looking around the school grounds and thinking about why certain animals and plants are only found in specific habitats. In Maths the children are learning how to solve problems, using the two times table. Next we will be moving on to working on the five times table. In English, the children will be writing their own first person and information sections about dinosaurs, in the same style as the class book we have been reading together.



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Yr 1



Last week Year 1 spent time preparing for and participating in a tea party for the tiger (from the Tiger who came to Tea. We did lots of baking (using measuring skills) and talked lots about

good manners. We put our helpful suggestions onto posters to help remind the tiger to behave properly (although we're not sure it worked!). We also looked at doubling numbers using the maths resources. This week we are looking at position, direction and movement.

#### Nursery

This week we have been focusing on battery operated toys as part of our topic on how things move. The children have surprised us with their level of understanding of how these toys can be operated. They have shared happily and even tried to teach us grownups a thing or two!



Please note change of Date:-

#### Open Morning for Maths

Due to some staff attending a course on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February, we will move the Maths Open Morning to **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 9-10am**. All classes will be teaching Maths between this time and we'd love to welcome you in so you can see how Maths is being taught and be part of the learning!

#### Internet Safety 7<sup>th</sup> February

Next Tuesday is Internet Safety Day. The Internet is amazing. Children can play, learn, create and connect- opening up a whole new world of exciting possibilities. But how do you keep track of what they are doing and make sure they are staying safe? All pupils will be taking part in Internet Safety activities, these are designed to keep your children safe when they are using the internet, social network, apps games and more. **Every childhood is worth fighting for.**

#### Half term band clubs for 8-12 year olds

The Garage is running Band Clubs in Fakenham and Cromer, giving young people the opportunity to play instruments, explore their voice, write a song and make music with other young people. Suitable for all levels of musical experience.

14 & 15 Feb 10am-3pm at Fakenham Academy

16 & 17 Feb 10am-3pm at Cromer Academy  
£15 for the 2 days (free places available for low income families – just ask)

Booking 01603 283382

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With thanks

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Usual office hours: Tue 9am-5pm, Wed 9am-1pm