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Weekly Northgate News – 16th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come towards the end of a busy half-term, I would like to thank you for your continued support and partnership. The children have worked hard and enjoyed a range of learning experiences in their new year groups and we are looking forward to another busy half-term after the break. As a reminder, this half term finishes on **Thursday 22nd October** and school reopens on **Monday 2nd November**.

Good News

Congratulations to the following children who received certificates in Good News assembly this week:

Bumblebees: Jacob	**Caterpillars:** Lilly
Centipedes: Fikani	**Dragonflies:** Ezra
Jupiter: Emilis	**Saturn:** Oliver
Mercury: Arlo	**Neptune:** George
Mars: Rue	**Venus:** Amelia-Rose
Apollo: Emilija	**Soyuz:** Oscar

Every Day Counts!

Well done to Ladybirds class who achieved 96% attendance and Venus class who achieved 97% attendance this week.

Linguamarque Bronze
Healthy Norfolk Schools
Great Yarmouth Borough Council Food Safety Approved
Investors in Families
The Marjorie Boxall Quality Mark Award 2018
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As we come to the end of our first half term, we would like to keep all families updated on their child's attendance. At this early stage of the school year, even one or two days of absence can have a noticeable impact on attendance percentages, so please don't be alarmed if your child's figure appears lower than expected. Attached to this newsletter is our updated Attendance Procedures, which outline how we work alongside families to support good attendance and ensure every child has the best possible opportunity to learn and thrive. We understand that unexpected or exceptional circumstances can arise, and keeping us informed helps us to put the right support in place when needed. At the end of each half term, you will receive a text message with your child's current attendance percentage. If you have any questions or would like to discuss attendance, please contact Miss Sheldrake, our Attendance Officer. Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

Book Fair

Thank you for attending our recent book fair. Our school received £520, which will be spent on new books for our library. The winners of our £5 vouchers were Millie C, Freya, Sebastian, Roman, Rosco, Ella B and Kamillia – congratulations!

Parents Evenings

Parents Evenings will be held on Tuesday 3rd November and Wednesday 4th November. Appointments are now available through our MCAS App.

Could you join our School Academy Council?

We are always keen to hear from parents and carers who are interested in joining our School Academy Council. This is a rewarding opportunity to play a part in shaping the future of our school. You do not need previous experience, just a willingness to contribute your ideas, share your perspective as a parent and help make a positive difference to our school community. We currently have a position as a Parent member of our School Academy Council – if you are interested in finding out more, please come along to meet our Governance Professional Lisa Taylor, at 9 am on Tuesday 3rd November.

Important Dates

Monday 19th October – School Photographs
Thursday 22nd October – Last Day of Autumn Half Term
Friday 23rd October to Friday 30th October – Autumn Half Term
Monday 2nd November – Return to school following Autumn Half Term
Tuesday 3rd November and Wednesday 4th November – PARENTS EVENINGS
Tuesday 3rd November – School Academy Council – come along at 9 am if you are interested in joining.
Thursday 5th November – Guy Fawkes Day Lunch Theme
Friday 6th November – Year 5 trip to West Stow
Weeks beginning 9th and 23rd November – Y6 Into University Weeks
Monday 16th November and Friday 20th November – Year 4 Time and Tide trips
Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd December – Festival of Carols at Gt. Yarmouth Minster 6.30pm

Have a lovely weekend and a relaxing half-term break when it arrives.

Best wishes,

Susan Bacon
Headteacher

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