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### Our week

The week started with our attendance at a South Norfolk Schools Sports Partnership Pentathlon event at Long Stratton Leisure Centre for SEND pupils in KS2. The children who attended had the most wonderful time. Experiences that put children out of their comfort zones are crucial for their social and emotional development. Seeing and hearing about their nerves before going and then seeing and hearing the buzz and bounce they came back into school with afterwards summed up 'the why' we do these things.

A huge thank you to the dozens of parents who came to take part in our Maths Cafes this week. We hope this gave you a good insight into the way we teach Mathematics and the importance of concrete, pictorial and abstract representations of number.



Thank you to the quarter of our school community who have completed our annual feedback survey. If you have not yet done this, please take a few minutes to complete the following: [Parent Views Survey 2026](#) Feedback from this will help us to continuously improve, building a stronger and better school community.

Don't forget your 'number accessory' for the NSPCC Number Day next Friday. Through the MCAS app, let's see how much we can raise for this amazing charity!



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### FLEXI BOARDING IN UNDERWOOD HALL

**NOW ONLY £75 PER NIGHT**

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We are now offering 'flexi-boarding' to day pupils in Years 5 or Year 6 allowing them the opportunity to board on a flexible basis. The cost of flexi-boarding is £75 per night and will include the cost of dinner, breakfast, accommodation and all activities in Underwood Hall.



If you wish to book for your child to flexi board then please click on the link below. Alternatively you can email the school office or Mr. Timmins who will then be in touch with you with further information which will include drop off / collection arrangements, afternoon and evening schedules, and instructions on how payment is to be made.



Please note that there is an annual limit of 45 nights' accommodation per pupil per academic year. If you would like to enquire further about flexi-boarding then please do not hesitate to email Mr Timmins at [j.timmins@wymcolprep.org](mailto:j.timmins@wymcolprep.org).



**[Flexi Boarding Booking Form](#)**



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### Reception Rabbits & Robins

We have continued to enjoy our Africa topic this week. Rabbit Class were treated to an excellent presentation about Nigeria by Grace and her Mum on Monday. We had a fun Music lesson altogether on Tuesday using the African rainsticks that we had made and we also pretended we were in Africa whilst doing an African safari Cosmic Kids yoga together. We have started a new unit in English using the book *The Proudest Blue* which gives a contrasting culture to talk about and we have been learning about why some people wear hijabs. It was lovely to have most of you join us for Maths on Tuesday. We hope you found it useful. In PSHE we are talking about our dreams and goals and how we have to keep trying to make them happen. We have also been trying really hard with our manners - remembering to always say please and thank you. Please check the book bags for the last 2 sounds (!) and this week's tricky words.



### Year 1 Otters & Seals

This week we have enjoyed learning about lots of Australian animals. This is helping us with our English story 'Wombat Goes Walkabout' where we have started writing some brilliant sentences about the noisy, laughing kookaburra and the speedy, hopping wallaby. In PSHE we have thought about what it means to be proud of something. We discussed lots of examples from school and things we have done at home, where we were proud of the outcome or the effort we put in. Thank you for joining us for the Maths event on Wednesday, we hope you enjoyed our tens and ones activity! We are now looking at our number bonds to 20 which is something that would be good to practise at home in the upcoming week!





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### Year 2 Badgers & Foxes

This week in Maths, we began our new unit on multiplication and division. A big thank you to everyone who joined us for our Maths Café, where the children explored arrays in a fun, hands-on way using the story One Hundred Ants.. Our Science learning linked beautifully with English as we went on a mini adventure to explore microhabitats by looking under a rotten log to discover the fascinating creatures living there. The children then used this as inspiration for their independent writing.. The children also had great fun creating their own habitats in a box and showed fantastic curiosity, creativity and enthusiasm throughout the week.



### Year 3 Dragonflies & Bumblebees

This week in Year 3 has been full of exciting learning. In Computing, we used Scratch to programme our sprites, creating clear sequences of commands. In English, we began our independent writing and the story language has been amazing. In Maths, we continued practising column multiplication and also began division. We loved welcoming parents to our Maths Café, where children shared their learning and you experienced a maths lesson with us. In DT, we gathered our final designs for Roman purses, ready to sew. Thursday's rugby session with coach Billie brought lots of smiles and laughter through teamwork and enthusiasm.



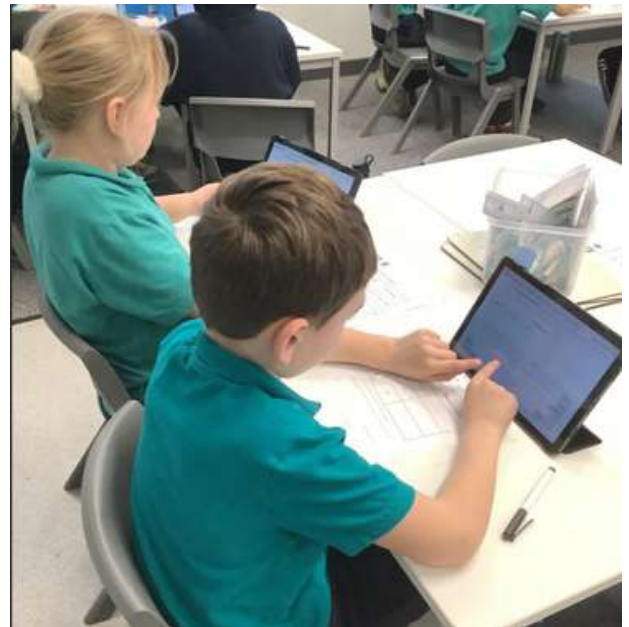
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### Year 4 Eagles & Owls

This week in Year 4 we have been creating a story as a class about a child who faces a problem and feels invisible. This will help us to plan and write our own story next week. In mathematics we have continued our learning of dividing, and extending this to 3-digit numbers. It was lovely to have so many parents/carers come and see our maths learning and the methods we use. In computing we have been using Turtle Academy to practise our coding, focusing on using the REPEAT command. And in science we have been learning about the transfer of energy through food chains.



### Year 5 Kings, Emperors & Royals

It has been an awesome week for Year 5 filled with brilliant learning. We all very much enjoyed the Maths cafe on Wednesday- learning all things place value! In English we have finished our planning of our biographies and have begun to write them. In Science we have been investigating classification and the different categories species are sorted into. During computing we have continued to explore different data bases and have learnt lots of facts about different countries around the world! In Art we experimented with different techniques using the water colours- we produced some fantastic work!





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### Year 6 Lions & Jaguars

Year 6 have been so 'pumped' to learn more about the human heart in Science this week - we even made our own models out of clay! The week then ended with our visit to the College where we were so lucky to experience the Science laboratories and watch a real pig's heart dissection! The awe and wonder (and disgust!) on the children's faces was such a sight! Thank you to the College Science team! In English, all groups have been working really hard to finish their independent non-chronological reports this week. In Humanities, we learnt more about the megacities of the world and where they are located and we are excited to build our own in Art next week. Please remember to bring your boxes. Thank you to those who already have!



### Underwood Hall

The saying 'never a dull moment' could not be a better way to describe our week in Underwood. On Monday we played laser tag on the astro. Tuesday was quiz night (January's dorm competition) which was a very calm occasion until the music round when it turned into a bit of a disco. Wednesday night was the weekly series-and-tuck night. Last night was a fashion show where boarders were given a random selection of items to make into a striking costume. There were some stylish and amusing results! This weekend boarders are off to Quasar for more laser tag. Enjoy your weekend everyone!



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## Heads of School

Hello, it's Rosie here. The year 5 and 6's have gone back to the normal routine, following our O2 trip recently. This week, year 6's went up to the college to enjoy a science lesson about the heart, which included watching a science teacher dissect a pig's heart, which we all found fascinating! Nobody fainted so that was a bonus, although some felt queasy. Year 5 and 6 have both been enjoying their P.E lessons in the high school, such as swimming and other sports like basketball and netball. From Rosie, Head of School



## Heads of Underwood

Hi there. This week we have had some very fun experiences, such as a fashion contest. We were given a bedsheet, newspaper and a plastic bag with some string from which we needed to make a costume. One costume turned out as a dress and a beard, one was a princess and I was a nun. We are still waiting to see who won but it was lots of fun. We also did a 'dorm' competition which included a general knowledge quiz such as naming flags and naming logos, and a music guess the song round. Next week is number day for the NSPCC where children can wear a number as an accessory. Thanks for reading, have a great weekend, Bea (HoUH)



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## Friends of Wymondham College Prep School

🎉 5 Exciting Events Are Coming to WCPS 🎉

The Friends of WCPS are planning five fantastic events for our children, full of fun, laughter, and memories they'll love.

But these events can only happen with parent volunteers. Simply put, if parents don't get involved, the events won't be able to go ahead.

You don't need special skills or lots of time. Every bit of help makes a real difference.

👉 Click [HERE](#) to learn more about the events and opt in to help by 9 February.

Together, we can make these events truly amazing for our children





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**NEXT WEEK WILL BE WEEK: A**

### Woodland Wonder Next Week

Monday	AM - Owls PM - Emperors
Tuesday	AM - Royals/Kings PM - Eagles

We are still in need of volunteers to help at our Woodland Wonder sessions on Mondays and Tuesdays, if you would like to volunteer for any sessions over the Spring term, please contact Miss Roberts on [d.roberts@wymcolprep.org](mailto:d.roberts@wymcolprep.org)

Active Education ECAs have been opened up to additional year groups. If your child would like to join any of these ECAs, please contact the office who will be able to help;

- Athletics - open to years 1,2 & 3
- Ultimate Frisbee - open to years 3,4,5 & 6
- Quick Sticks Hockey - open to years 4, 5&6

Thank you to those who baked for the year 1 cakes 4 coaches sale. All cake tins are in the foyer area to be taken home.

**WCPS  
ATTENDANCE  
THIS WEEK  
95.8%**

Request for spares:  
If you have any KS2 size spare clothing that could be held in school it would be greatly appreciated.  
Also socks for any age would be greatly appreciated..  
thank you

Polite reminder to families to name ALL personal belongings that come into school. Wee want to be able to re-home all lost items in school and can only do this if they are named.

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## Forthcoming Events

### FEBRUARY

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Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Year 6 Boys Football Tournament @The Nest 1:00pm - 4:00pm ●
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 1 School Trip to Banham Zoo
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NSPCC Number Day</li> <li>• Year 3 School Trip to Norwich Castle</li> </ul>
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	House Chess Competition
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	EYFS & KS1 Personal Growth Celebration - Invitations for those pupils being celebrated have been sent home via email & school bags this week. ★
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y3 Eaton Vale Residential parents meeting ★ 5:00pm</li> <li>• Reception School Trip to Africa Alive</li> </ul>



Signifies Parent invited event



Signifies child invited event



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### FEBRUARY

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

- Last day of half term - No ECAs or WAC
- KS2 Personal Growth Celebration - Invitations  for those pupils being celebrated have been sent home via email & school bags this week.
- Y3 Cakes4Coaches

16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> February

HALF TERM

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

- Back to School
- ECAs continue

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February

Y4/5 Dodgeball event @ the UEA 10am - 2pm 

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February

KS2 Bluey Club trip - More information will be sent in due course 

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February

- Eaton Vale Residential - payment deadline
- Y3/4 FoWCPS movie night
- Y6 Cake Sale



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### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - MARCH

Tuesday 3rd March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent Workshop - Online Safety &amp; AI Awareness 08:45am - 09:45am ★</li> </ul>
Thursday 5th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Book Day - Dress up &amp; Donate</li> </ul>
Wednesday 11th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English Cafe - EYFS / Y2 / Y4 / Y6 09:00am - 09:45am ★</li> </ul>
Thursday 12th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• English Cafe - Y1 / Y3 / Y5 09:00am - 09:45am ★</li> </ul>
Friday 13th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y6 Parents SATS Information meeting ★ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ 2:30pm - Jaguars</li> <li>◦ 3:00pm - Lions</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Friday 20th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Red Nose Day - Wearing something red &amp; donate</li> </ul>
Friday 27th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Y6 Thornbridge parents residential information evening ★</li> </ul>



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### UP & COMING HOUSE EVENTS IN SCHOOL

Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	House Cross Country Event - 1:30pm - 3:15pm
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	House Art Competition Launches
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	The Big House Egg Drop - 1:30pm - more information to follow



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THE OCCUPIER

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22 January 2026

Dear Customer

### **Important roadworks information**

#### **A11 southbound entry and exit slip road closures at Station Road and Browick Road – removal and replacement of lighting**

I'm writing to tell you that we plan to carry out a removal and replacement of lighting on the A11 southbound at the Station Road entry and exit slip roads, this will also include the fly over bridges.

LED lights are better for the environment and use far less energy to produce the same amount of light. They also last longer and require less maintenance, meaning fewer road closures to fix lighting in the future and more importantly, safer roads for everyone. Once completed, drivers will benefit from the A11 remaining in a safe and serviceable condition.

We plan to complete this work over **six weeks** starting from **Monday 2 February 2026**. We will work overnight between **8pm** and **6am** on **weeknights** only, weather permitting.

### **Closures and diversions**

To carry out the work safely, we will need to close the A11 southbound entry and exit slip roads at Station Road which will include the A11 flyover bridge, and divert traffic as detailed in the table overleaf.

### **How to find out more**

To find out the latest information about this scheme which also shows visual maps, please visit our dedicated webpage <https://nationalhighways.co.uk/our-roads/east/east-road-maintenance-work/>

If you would like more information, please contact us on 0300 123 5000, or by email at [info@nationalhighways.co.uk](mailto:info@nationalhighways.co.uk)



Closure	Date/Time	Diversion
Station Road bridge and A11 southbound entry and exit slip roads	Monday 2 February to Tuesday 17 March, 8pm to 6am (weeknights only)	<p><b>London Road / Wymondham diversion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue south on the A11</li> <li>• Take the exit slip road at the next junction</li> <li>• Turn right onto Norwich Road</li> <li>• Head north on the A11, where the diversion ends</li> </ul> <p><b>A11 northbound diversion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Head east along Bunwell Road</li> <li>• At the T-junction (Cordwell), turn left onto the B1113 towards Bracon Ash</li> <li>• Turn left onto Wymondham Road (B1135), which becomes Stanfield Road</li> <li>• At the Bromwick Road roundabouts, take the second exit at the first roundabout</li> <li>• Take the second exit again at the next roundabout to join the A11 northbound, where the diversion ends</li> </ul> <p><b>A11 southbound diversion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Head east along Bunwell Road</li> <li>• At the T-junction (Cordwell), turn left onto the B1113 towards Bracon Ash</li> <li>• Turn left onto Wymondham Road (B1135), which becomes Stanfield Road</li> <li>• At the Bromwick Road roundabout, take the first exit to join the A11 southbound, where the diversion ends</li> </ul> <p><b>Spooner Row diversion</b> (Drivers will need to follow the southbound diversion in reverse as the exit slip road to Station Road will be closed)</p>

Yours faithfully

**Shaun Moseley**  
Project Manager  
Operations East, Capital Delivery Team

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Initial taster sessions will start in March/April with regular midweek training to follow and Saturday morning matches from September

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