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Our week

It's Half Term! Where does the time go? We've had a brilliant start to 2026 with so much for the children to remember - especially for Year 5 going to the O2, Reception going to Africa Alive, Year 1 to Banham Zoo and Year 2 to Norwich Castle. These trips, along with many ECAs and our Wood Wonder Curriculum couldn't happen without parent volunteers giving up their time to support - many also help in classrooms at various points in the week. Thank you! Thank you!

There's been a real buzz in school this week for the House Chess Competition. It was SO popular - so much so that we're going to try and run more each half term. There were 41 matches and over 60 children took part. Huge Congratulations to New Hall for taking 1st place!

On Wednesday we hosted an Active



Education Tag Rugby Tournament with four local schools visiting us to play. Our Y5/6 team showed fantastic sportsmanship and were deserved winners!

It was wonderful celebrating dozens of children in the end of term's *Personal Growth Celebrations* with a reflection on what the children dream to do when they grow up.

Thank you everyone for contributing to the agenda for our half termly Class Reps meeting yesterday - minutes to come. Have a great break everyone 😊

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Friends of Wymondham College Prep School

🏆 Calling for Raffle Prizes 🏆

As part of our upcoming fundraising initiatives, we are excited to be hosting a raffle and are calling on our school community for support. We are looking for raffle prize donations, which may include:

Experiences



Vouchers



Products



If you own a business, work for a company, or know of a business that would be willing to sponsor or donate a prize, we would love to hear from you. All proceeds from the raffle go directly towards supporting our school and its fundraising initiatives.

Please note: as the school is a registered charity, donated prizes may qualify as tax-deductible donations. Relevant documentation can be provided upon request.

If you are able to contribute a prize or would like more information please contact Laura at Laura.lee@fowcp.onmicrosoft.com.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support. Every donation helps make a difference for our school community.

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FLEXI BOARDING IN UNDERWOOD HALL

NOW ONLY £75 PER NIGHT
(£30 ADMIN FEE ON YOUR FIRST BOOKING ONLY)

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.



[Flexi Boarding Booking Form](#)

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Reception Rabbits & Robins

We have had a very exciting week this week! We had an excellent presentation from Mrs Hindle on Wednesday about Kenya and other parts of Africa and we got to see lots of different things. On Thursday we had our big day out to Africa Alive to finish off our Africa topic. The children all did so well and we had a great day. Thank you for all of the help and support. In English we have started a new book called 'All aboard the London Bus'. All of the children were issued with a bus ticket and we visited Buckingham Palace, getting the tickets stamped as we climbed aboard! We were very proud of the children who were celebrated in the Personal Growth Celebration on Wednesday. We have also been learning about Chinese New Year this week - Year of the horse!



Year 1 Otters & Seals

It's been a great half term in Year 1. We have learned so much and made lots of progress in our skills and knowledge. This week we have learned about North and South America in Geography, different methods for subtraction in Maths and thought about what makes a happy classroom in PSHE. We have worked really hard on our independent writing in English, choosing an Australian animal to include in our Wombat Goes Walkabout story. The children's writing has been a joy to read! We were proud to recognise our peers and their achievements in this term's Personal Growth Celebration on Wednesday. Thank you to all of the Year 1 families for your ongoing support - have a lovely break!

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Year 2 Badgers & Foxes

This week, we combined creativity with practical skills by making our very own bird feeders. The children wrote clear step-by-step instructions explaining how to create their feeders, recognising that instructions need to be in the correct order. They also included some fantastic adverbs to make their writing more detailed and engaging. Once finished, we discussed the best places to hang the feeders and why birds need extra food during the colder months. In maths, we have been learning about doubling and halving. The children used practical resources and real-life examples to help them understand these important number skills. They enjoyed playing games and solving problems that challenged them to double amounts and find halves quickly and accurately. Well done to everyone for their fantastic effort and enthusiasm this half term. Enjoy your break!



Year 3 Dragonflies & Bumblebees

This week in Year 3 has been full of creativity and curiosity! We have been busy sewing our Roman purses, carefully practising our stitching and showing fantastic perseverance as our designs began to take shape. In Maths, we started learning about unit fractions, exploring what makes a whole and how it can be divided into equal parts. In English, we stepped into the role of newspaper reporters to write exciting articles about a mysterious stolen artefact at Norwich Castle. In Science, we explored and investigated magnets, testing different materials to discover which were magnetic. In RE, we continued learning about Christianity, focusing on miracles, sharing thoughtful ideas and drawing our own chosen miracles. There was also lots of excited discussion about the upcoming Eaton Vale residential, and it was a pleasure to welcome so many parents to the information evening this week.



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Year 4 Eagles & Owls

Year 4 have had a lovely final week before half-term! In English, we wrote our own stories about a character that faces a problem and feels invisible because of it. In Mathematics, we finished our unit by measuring different shapes and calculating the perimeter of them. In Science, we looked at different animals and tried to work out what they might eat based on the types of teeth they had. And in DT, we evaluated the bread that we made last week. We also carried on our practise of times-tables using games!



Year 5 Kings, Emperors & Royals

It has been a brilliant week for Year 5! In English we have worked really hard in perfecting our poems. We have discussed brilliant vocabulary to describe and create a fantastic setting! In art we have finished our final pieces inspired by Henri Rousseau. In Science we have been investigating the parts of a plant. We dissected a lily to look at the male and female parts. We hope you have a wonderful February half term!



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Year 6 Lions & Jaguars

Year 6 have worked so hard in the final week of this half term! We have wrapped up lots of our curriculum units this week, including a final lesson about the heart thinking about the impact of exercise and eating healthy. We also built our skyscrapers in art which were then position together to make a whole class megacity - it looked very 'MEGA!' it nearly took up the whole corridor! In Geography, we learnt about the megacities in South America, specifically learning about how and why Brazil changed its capital city in 1960. It was fantastic to wrap up the week with our Personal Growth celebration - well done to all who were celebrated and to every one in Year 6 for another smashing half term!



Underwood Hall

Wowser! It is half term. The mornings and evenings are getting a little bit lighter...but only a little bit! The highlight of the week has definitely been pancake making on Tuesday night (a week early for pancake day buy oh well!). It was lovely to see and especially lovely for those who were making a pancake for the very first time. We had a kick about on the astro on Monday night and last night we enjoyed the first 2026 edition of Underwood's Got Talent as well as getting dorms extra tidy and getting out bits packed up and ready for half term. Have a wonderful week everyone!

FRIENDS OF WCPS PRESENT

MOVIE NIGHT

27 February 2026

18:00-20:00

£3.50

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION



Register here
by 20 February



Flushed Away

Who? Year 3 and 4

School Hall



<https://bit.ly/45LPX9H>

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Heads of School

Hi everyone, it's Rosie, one of the Heads of School. We have had a good last week before the half term break. Rabbits and Robins (reception classes) had a fantastic trip to Africa Alive. Things became interesting when the bus broke down as they were about to leave. All the children were thrilled to have extra cream crackers and play time at the zoo while they waited for the coach to be fixed.

We also hosted a rugby tournament at our school, which we won - as predicted! Hope you all have a wonderful half term!
From Rosie!



Heads of School

Hello all, what a great start to February. The week began with some year 5 and 6 taking part in a football tournament. Well done to everyone who represented our school. We also had number day last Friday and everyone raising money for NSPCC. Well done to everyone for that too! Have a good weekend. Henry (HoS)





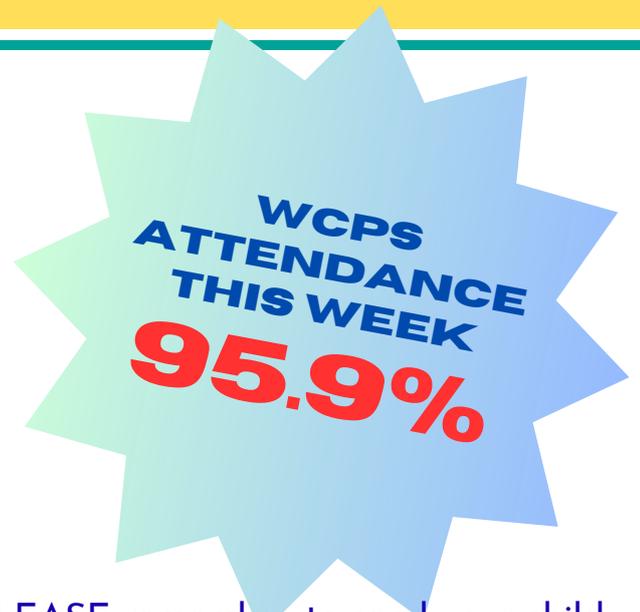
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WE RETURN BACK ON WEEK: A

Woodland Wonder Next Week

Monday	AM Session: Owls PM Session: Emperors
Tuesday	AM Session: Royals/Kings PM Session: Eagles



The weather is still continuing to be cold & wet, PLEASE remember to send your child into school with coat, hat, gloves etc when needed. Pupils MUST continue to wear a coat during morning break and lunch until the weather warms up and dry.

Please donate any used loo-roll holders to Gardening Club to protect our Sweetpeas

We kindly ask that should your child come home in any spare uniform that this be washed and returned back to school as soon as possible. We also kindly ask that should you have any old clothing for KS2 (Y3-6) children you no longer need i.e Jogging bottoms, socks, jumpers that could be used for spares at school we would greatly appreciate them.

A polite reminder that payment deadlines for the Residentials run as follows. Payments due can be found under the 'outstanding balances' section of your MCAS app:

- Eaton Vale - Friday 27th February
- Hautbois - Friday 24th April
- London - Friday 22nd May
- Thornbridge - Thursday 30th April





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Forthcoming Events

FEBRUARY/MARCH

FEBRUARY/MARCH	
16 th - 20 th February	HALF TERM
Monday 23 rd February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Back to School • ECAs continue - No Musical Theatre ECA tonight
Tuesday 24 th February	Y4/5 Dodgeball event @ the UEA 10am - 2pm ●
Thursday 26 th February	KS2 Bluey Club trip to The Festival of Friends ●
Friday 27 th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eaton Vale Residential - payment deadline • Y3/4 FoWCPS movie night • Y6 Cake Sale
Monday 2 nd March	KS1 Performance bookings open on MCAS
Tuesday 3 rd March	Parent Workshop - Online Safety & AI Awareness 08:45am - 09:45am in Hall ★



Signifies Parent invited event



Signifies child invited event



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MARCH

Wednesday 4 th March	Y1/2 Disney Shooting stars Football Event @ Long Stratton Leisure Centre ●
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day 2026 - Communications being sent to families in due course
Friday 6 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer Term ECA programme published to families • Y5/6 Girls Football Finals @ Goals ●
Tuesday 10 th March	PPTC bookings open to SEN families
Wednesday 11 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House Cross Country 1:30pm - 3:15pm • Reading Cafe - EYFS / Y2 / Y4 / Y6 - 09:00am - 09:45am in classrooms ★
Thursday 12 th March	Reading Cafe - Y1 / Y3 / Y5 - 09:00am - 09:45am in classrooms ★



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Friday 13th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y6 Parents SATS Information meeting:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 2:30pm - 3:00pm Jaguars ◦ 3:00pm - 3:30pm Lions • ECA preference based allocations open on Schoolcloud 6:00pm • PPTCs Close to SEN families 6:00pm • Y4 Cakes4Coaches
Monday 16 th March	PPTC bookings open on MCAS to all families
Wednesday 18 th March	Y4/5/6 Netball Event @ WCPS 
Thursday 19 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECA sign up closes 6:00pm • Y3 Residential to Eaton Vale



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Friday 20th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Red Nose Day - Wearing something red & donate • ECA allocations published - do not book any external ECAs until your bookings have been confirmed • Last day of Spring Term ECAs • Y3 Residential return
Monday 23 rd March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House Art competition launches • KS1 Production bookings close
Tuesday 24 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Big House Egg Drop • Re-scheduled Sphero Ball Coding session runs tonight 3:15pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday 25 th March	KS1 Production in hall 2:15pm ★
Thursday 26 th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KS1 Production in hall 9:15am ★ • EYFS & KS1 PGC in hall 2:30pm - await invitation. Is your child being celebrated this time? ★



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - APRIL/MAY

Tuesday 14 th April	Back to school after Easter Break
Thursday 16 th April & Tuesday 21 st April	PPTCS in hall 3:30pm - 7:00pm ★ No ECAs on this day
Monday 20 th April	Summer Term ECAs begin
Thursday 23 rd April	Class Photos with Tempest Photography - All pupils will require full school uniform
Tuesday 5 th & Wednesday 6 th May	Y3/4 Production performances ★
Thursday 7 th May	Hautbois residential parents information evening - time TBC ★
Week Commencing Monday 11 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SATS week • Mental Health Week
Friday 15 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Y5 London Residential parents information evening in hall - Time TBC ★



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