

Wortham Primary School

Weekly Newsletter



9th January 2026

Welcome Back

It has been fantastic to welcome the children back to school for the spring term. This week has been a great start, with the children returning refreshed and eager to dive into their new topics. Their enthusiasm has been wonderful to see, and they have embraced the new term with excitement and energy.

We are also delighted to extend a special welcome to Ashfaquz, who will be joining us in Year 2 on Monday. We look forward to welcoming Ashfaquz and his family to our school community.

We are excited to share updates throughout the term and to celebrate all the wonderful achievements to come.

Wrap Around Care - Advance Notice

We would like to remind parents and carers that there will be no after school Wrap Around Care on Wednesday 28th January, as previously communicated.

In addition, please note that after school wraparound provision will also not be available on the following dates due to essential staff training that all staff are required to attend:

- Wednesday 25th February
- Wednesday 4th March
- Wednesday 11th March

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. We hope that by providing plenty of advance notice, families are able to make alternative arrangements where needed. Thank you very much for your understanding and continued support.

Creative Writing - The Cave

At Wortham, we value and love writing, especially creative writing. We believe creative writing gives children the opportunity to use their imagination, follow their own ideas and interests, and express themselves in ways that are meaningful to them. This week, we launched a whole school creative writing project called "The Cave." Children were introduced to a mysterious cave with no explanation and were encouraged to wonder: What might be inside? Who has been there before? Why has no one entered? What might happen if you stepped inside? We also asked children to imagine using their senses — what they might hear, feel or see. Some imagined walking into the cave with cold drips of water falling onto their heads, hearing their voice echo inside, while others imagined the discovery of hidden treasure deep inside.

Children are invited to respond to the cave stimulus in their own way by writing a story, poem, sentence, warning, or any other piece of writing inspired by the cave. Writing can be handwritten or typed and will be added to a whole school display. We are very much looking forward to seeing the wide range of creative and imaginative writing this project inspires.



World Religion Day

On Thursday, we will be acknowledging World Religion Day at Wortham with a whole school assembly. World Religion Day is a global observance that celebrates the many different faiths and beliefs around the world and highlights the values that different religions share, such as kindness, respect and peace.

During the assembly, children will learn about a range of world faiths and why it is important to show understanding and respect for people's beliefs. Following the assembly, children will take part in an age-appropriate activity in their classes to further explore these ideas and reflect on the importance of celebrating diversity in our world.

**If your child was born between 1
September 2021 and
31 August 2022,
you must apply for a full-time
Reception Year school place by
15 January 2026**



You **must** make an application even if your child already has a place in a nursery class, pre-school or family hub

To apply for a place or for more information you can visit:

www.suffolk.gov.uk/admissions

Information is also available from:

- The Admissions Team on **0345 600 0981**
- Your local school

What's on this week?



Thursday:

- Y6 - A science visit from pathologist, Mrs Kate Honor
- World Religion Day

Friday:

- Clarinet (years 4 & 5)
- Guitar (year 6)

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Dates for Diary Spring Term 2026

January

- Thursday 15th - World Religion Day
- Thursday 15th - Pathologist Visit for Year 6
- Monday 19th - Year 6 Hartismere Transition Day (English)
- Wednesday 28th - No After School Wrap Around



February

- WB Monday 6th - NSPCC Number Day (More details to follow)
- Friday 6th - Year 6 Hartismere Transition Day (Music)
- Monday 9th - Children's Mental Health Week

Half Term - Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February

February

- Wednesday 25th - No After School Wrap Around

March

- WB Monday 2nd March - World Book Day Celebration this week (details to follow)
- Wednesday 4th - No After School Wrap Around
- Tuesday 10th March - Brazillian Carnival Workshops
- Wednesday 11th - No After School Wrap Around
- Thursday 19th - PINS Whole School Community Workshop
- Friday 20th - Red Nose Day
- Monday 23rd - Children's Annunal School Reports sent home this week
- Thursday 26th - PINS Whole School Community Workshop
- Friday 27th March - Last Day

Easter Holidays -Saturday 28th March 2026 to Sunday 12th April 2026

Summer Term Begins - Monday 13th April

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