George White Junior School Newsletter

Friday 13th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy week in school and the children have continued to work hard and show great enthusiasm for their learning. Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support.

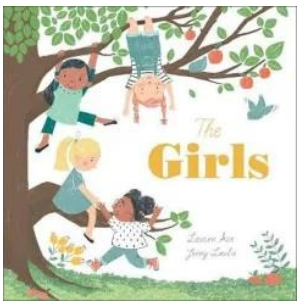
With Mother's Day on Sunday, we would also like to wish all the wonderful mums, carers and special people in our children's lives a very happy and enjoyable day.

We hope you all have a relaxing weekend and look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday.

Rights Respecting School News

Article of the week – International Women's Day

This week, the children have been learning about International Women's Day which links to Article 2 – No Discrimination. International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated on 8 March. It is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating gender parity. Significant activity is witnessed worldwide as groups come together to celebrate women's achievements or rally for women's equality. We discussed why it is important to celebrate women and their achievements and read the book 'The Girls' which celebrates four girls who grow up as friends and flourish into wonderful women.



This Week's Attendance

We hold a celebration assembly every Friday morning to share and celebrate the children's achievements. During this assembly, we also recognise the class with the highest overall attendance for the week. Each individual child's attendance counts towards this.

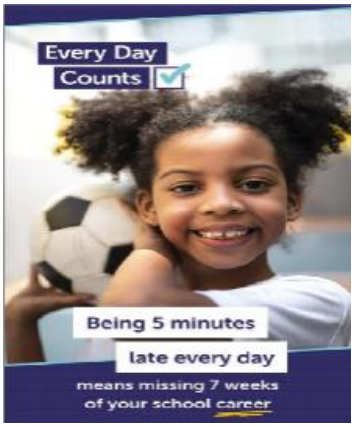
Well-done to 3C this week, for having the highest attendance.

6E: 97%
6W: 97%
5W: 91%
5D: 96%
4T: 97%
4B: 97%
3C: 98%
3L: 92%

Whole school attendance for this week: 96%

School Target: 96%

Please remember the gates open at 8:30am and close at 8:50.



Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Leads

Mrs. Petchey, Mrs. Stolworthy, Mrs. Greenwood, Miss Derer, Miss Whing, Mrs Burman and Miss Alderton.

These members of staff monitor and manage all safeguarding practices and ensure staff are supported and have the training they need. Please ask to see one of these adults if you are worried about the safety of a child at school.

If you have a safeguarding concern about a child out of school hours, then the number to ring is:

CADS – Children's Advice and Duty Service – 0344 800 8020



Look at what we're learning

Year 3

As part of British Science Week, we investigated which material would make the best tissue by testing absorbency and softness. We discussed how some materials fell apart (terrible if you have a *really* bad cold!) and others left dye on our skin, which helped us think carefully about what makes a good tissue. We had great fun experimenting, sharing ideas, and making thoughtful scientific decisions.





Year 4

What a fabulous week we have had in Year 4! We had our first school trip of this year and what a fascinating trip it was. We learnt a lot about habitats, life cycles, food chains, and the identification of different invertebrates. We also had the opportunity to go on a nature trail and look out across the dykes and broads from a bird watching hut. What an enriching experience this was!



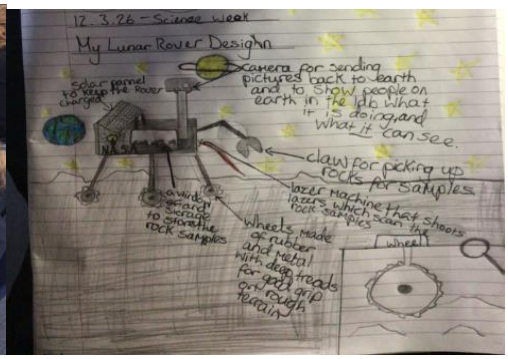


Year 5

It has been another great week in year 5, and we have been impressed with the effort the children have been putting into their learning across the curriculum. We have been finishing writing our balanced arguments on the question *"Is space tourism worthwhile?"* and we have been really impressed with the effort, thoughtful ideas and high-quality work they have produced. The children should be very proud of their writing.





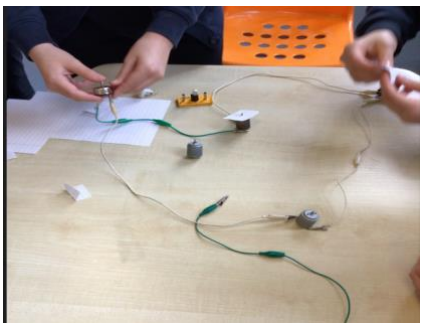


Year 6

Our amazing Year 6s have worked so hard this week on their SATs mocks. We have been blown away with the progress that they are making this year. Well done to everyone who has been challenging themselves to improve – we are so proud of you. In Science this week, we have begun our new unit on Electricity. Our first lesson was exploring the equipment ready for investigating circuits further next week.







SRB

This week, cooking was linked to our maths skills. Children had to weigh and measure ingredients and share equally to ensure everyone had the same amount. They learned how to use a knife safely and talked about general safety in the kitchen. Children took turns and were very respectful sharing equipment.





Dates for the Diary 2025/2026	
Tuesday 17th March	Year 3 Trip to Norwich Castle Museum
Tuesday 17th March	Open Classroom for all year groups 3.20pm
Wednesday 18th March	Year 6 Visiting Sewell Park Academy Science Experience Day
Friday 20th March	Comic Relief – Red Nose Day Non-school uniform wear something red and bring in a donation.
Tuesday 24th March	School Photographer in taking Class group photos and Year 6 Leavers Portraits
Thursday 26th March	Easter Bonnet Competition and parade
Friday 27th March	End of Spring Term – 3.20pm
Tuesday 14th April	Start of Summer term 1 – gates open at 8.30am

Monday 4th May	Bank holiday Monday – school is not open on this day
Wednesday 29th April	Year 3 and 4 Sports Day 10.00 on the school field at the corner of Crome Road and Mousehold Avenue. After sports day, all parents of children in Year 3 and 4 are invited to bring a picnic lunch to school to share with their child(ren).
Thursday 30th April	Year 5 and 6 Sports Day 10.00 on the school field at the corner of Crome Road and Mousehold Avenue. After sports day, all parents of children in Year 5 and 6 are invited to bring a picnic lunch to school to share with their child(ren).
Monday 4th May	Bank holiday Monday – school is not open on this day
Monday 1 June – Wednesday 3rd June	Year 6 Residential trip to Eaton Vale
Monday 8th June	Aspirations Week- Details to follow

NATIONAL TENNIS ASSOCIATION

HAF FUNDED TENNIS CAMP



Reepham Tennis Club
Hellesdon Community Tennis

30th March - 3rd April 2026
9:00am-1:00pm
5-10 years

Action packed holiday camps with team challenges, tennis skills, games and prizes.

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Taverham Tennis Club

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