

Trowse Primary School

Autumn is here !!



New Reception Intake 2026

As you may well remember, for new families wanting to look at Trowse as an option for their child we give individual or small group tours in the school day. We do not run an open evening. If you know anyone looking, let them know to give us a call if they want to have a guided tour and we can get them booked in! There is always lots of interest for our school but we always make the time for everyone.

Macmillan Coffee Morning – Friday 26th September

ALL parents and relatives are invited to our Macmillan Coffee morning being held in the school hall on Friday, 26th September from drop-off at 8.45 am. Our Year 6 children love helping to organise this and look forward to seeing lots of you there – not only will we have hot and cold drinks, cakes and biscuits on offer, we will also be running a raffle and some other competitions – **We really need lots of cake donations please** (remember our strict NO NUTS policy) please bring these into the school office from the previous day.

Praise where Praise is Due!

We had this lovely e-mail from a member of the public following the year 6 children's visit to Pensthorpe last week. Our year 6s are excellent role models for the rest of the school. Behaviour at school, or even on a trip with school, is always excellent - the children understand what is expected and do the right thing.

Good morning,

I felt I just had to contact you to congratulate your pupils and staff who were visiting Pensthorpe yesterday.

I was there with my 3-year-old grandson. We were enjoying the fabulous outdoor play equipment and were just about to climb up inside the slide tower, when we heard what sounded like a stampede. I feared the worst! I need not have worried as every

Some Key Dates...

Friday, 26th September

9am- Macmillan Coffee Morning in school hall- all welcome!

Monday, 29th September

Year 5 to National Space Centre

Wednesday, 1st October

Cross Country at Langley (Yr3/4/5/6)

Thursday, 2nd October

Fram Earl Open Evening – Yr 6 parents

Tuesday, 7th October

Yr 1 Great Fire of London

Wednesday, 8th October

Yr 3 Prehistoric Trowse

Thursday, 9th October –

Year 2 Road Safety

Wed 15th and Wed 22nd October 3.30 – 6.30

Parents Evenings

Friday 24th October Last day of this half term

Need to contact us?

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blue jumper clad individual said excuse me or sorry as they hurried past. I decided it might be best to leave the play area and return later, but like many 3-year-olds my grandson had other ideas and he ran after your pupils, falling over in his effort to join in. Your pupils showed awareness and empathy and even offered to guide my grandson through a tunnel with my permission. It was so refreshing to see such behaviour. They were a credit to themselves and your school. Best wishes, Claire

Table Skills

Lots and lots of children eat school dinners. Even if not every day, then they may have them from time to time. We know you want to help your child in every way you can, so one small thing that would make a big difference in school for them is to practice knife and fork skills. Lunchtime (if they are having the main meal) is a time we expect children to use a knife and fork and not pick food up with their hands. Your support at home with this as a long-term project will be greatly appreciated.

Parents Evenings – Wednesday, 15th and Wednesday 22nd October 3.30 – 6.30

We will be holding our first round of parent's evenings in October. The booking system is live – please book in to see your child's teachers. These are 10-minute slots, if you have more specific things to discuss, please make a separate appointment outside of these times.

<https://trowse.schoolcloud.co.uk> and follow the parents evening link.

Playtime Snacks

As you may be aware, children in reception, Year 1 and Year 2 get their playtime fruit for free. From Year 3 this is no longer available, so if your child wants a healthy snack at playtime, then it needs to come in from home.

Please do make sure it is a **healthy snack** (piece of fruit, vegetable sticks etc..) and that your child knows what their snack is. No chocolate or sweet sugary snacks.

Website

We are really pleased with the look and functionality of our new school website – I hope you will agree that it is a lot more user friendly and better when you are using your phones. Do check the calendar section regularly for updates and information.

Governing Body

We are delighted to advise you that Leo Murphy is our new Chair of Governors, ably supported by Zoe Hill as Vice Chair and Rachel Blakemore as Chair of the Finance Committee. We have a strong governing board, made up of people from various walks of life – we have a vacancy for a Co-opted governor (this is not a parent – but someone who has a genuine interest in our school and is able to offer time to come in during the school day and attend Full Governing Body meetings once every half term). Do spread the word if you know someone who may be interested.

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A Message from the NHS.

(This went out as an email, but incase you overlooked it, here it is again)

Subject: Help Us Improve Inclusion – Parent Carer Survey for the PINS Programme

Dear Parent/Carer,

We would like to invite you to take part in an important independent Parent Carer Survey as part of our school's involvement in the Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) programme. This programme is funded by NHS England and delivered in partnership with the Department for Education, the Department of Health and Social Care, and the National Network of Parent Carer Forums (NNPCF).

The aim of the PINS programme is to improve the experience of mainstream school for children who may have additional educational needs. Your feedback will help identify what's working well and where schools can improve to better support inclusion and wellbeing. **The survey is open to all parents and carers whose children attend a school participating in the programme.** It offers families a valuable opportunity to share their views on how inclusive, welcoming, and supportive the school environment is for their child(ren)—whether or not they have additional needs.

Your responses are completely anonymous and confidential. The information you provide will be securely stored and used only to develop a thematic summary of experiences. This summary will be shared with your school and PINS project partners, including NHS England, the Department for Education, and NNPCF. Individual responses will not be shared. The only exception is if a response raises a concern about someone's safety.

If you have more than one child attending the school, you are welcome to complete a separate survey for each child. All data will be handled in line with Data Protection legislation. [**click here to complete the survey**](#)

By taking part, you are helping to inform real, positive change—benefiting not only your child, but the whole school community.

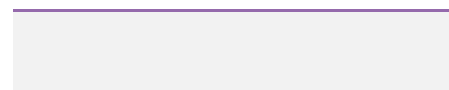
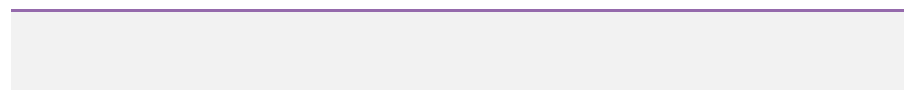
Thank you for your time and support.

Warm regards,

The Norfolk PINS Project Team

Eligibility for 'Free School Meals' Much more than just a meal...

Just another reminder that Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 automatically get free school meals if they go to school. This is called universal infant free school meals. This is different to benefit-related free school meals. **If you receive one of the benefits listed below, you should register.** This is because it not only means that all meals are free, but also entitles your child to lots of holiday activities for free under the 'Big Norfolk Holiday Fun' scheme and mean you get a monthly payment of a voucher you can



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use in your preferred supermarket to help with your food bills. It also helps the school **raise extra funds** for your child's school (called Pupil Premium). This Government funding can help with extra tuition, teaching and after school activities. It really is worth it- everyone benefits.

If you get **one** of the following benefits – you can apply for Free School Meals from Reception to Year 6

- Universal Credit - with an annual earned income of no more than £7,400 after tax
 - Income Support
 - Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
 - Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
 - Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
 - The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
 - Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
 - Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190
- You must apply for these free school meals.

Search 'Norfolk County Council apply for free school meals' to find out more and apply.

Ongoing information and reminders

Uniform

FIRSTLY, PLEASE MAKER SURE EVERYTHING IS NAMED! We already have lots of items in our lost property – none of which are named !

We also have a 'NEW TO YOU' Option which is run by the school office. This is for Trowse logo'd items only - Please do bring in any donations of out-grown, clean, good quality uniform. The rail is out in the school reception area so you are welcome to pop in at the start or end of the day. With weJust contact the school office if you would like to check what items are available.

Seesaw

Please do make sure you still have access to Seesaw at home; both your child's learning timeline and the 'family app' for separate communications between you and the teacher. It will be used for all sort of communications from class. New QR access codes were sent home recently. If you are struggling to access it, please contact the school office or your child's teacher. Teachers will explain more about how they will use Seesaw at 'Meet the Teacher' as it does change year to year.

Pupil Asset- reporting absences & ordering dinners

Please make sure you can log into Pupil Asset via the app or you have a web browser ready to log in (<https://secure.pupilasset.com>). Make sure that your contact details are correct in it. If you are yet to download this app, or are struggling to make log in details work, please ask in the school office.

Top Tip from parents - Using a web browser to log in can be more effective for booking lunches for the weeks ahead, the app doesn't show as far ahead.

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Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast club is open from 7.40am every morning for all children to not only eat a good breakfast, but get busy with sport, crafts and games. We have some spaces available, so if this is a service you need, please contact the school office initially to discuss things, then book via the 'School Cloud' App <https://trowse.schoolcloud.co.uk> Children need to be booked in on the school cloud system, in advance, and the daily fee is £5, payable online to the school. In the app you select the 'club' you need (in this case, Breakfast Club, then select the week, then choose the days you need to book in for.

School Bank Details for online transfers are:

NCC Trowse Primary School

Account No. 60513121

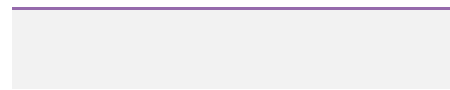
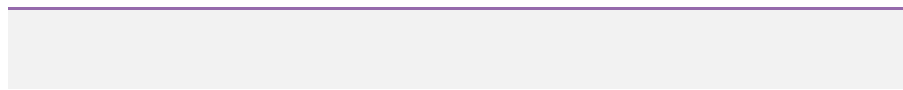
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After School Club

Please use this link for ALL bookings; <https://4ward-sports.class4kids.co.uk> It is essential that both the school and the staff of 4Ward Sports know exactly who is meant to be staying and who is going home at normal time. Thank you.

Kind regards

Stuart Odell, Headteacher



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