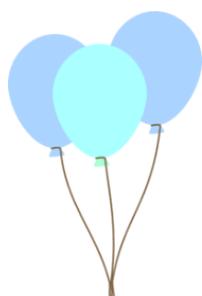
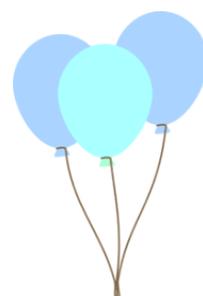


COSTESSEY MATTERS



January Newsletter



It was a very busy end of term at Costessey Primary School. We enjoyed watching all of the children's performances and it was wonderful to see so many families coming in to join in the festive fun!

I would like to thank all the families who supported the school last term, through coming in to read with our pupils, supporting on school trips or fundraising with our PTA. Without you, we would not be able to function and so a huge thanks!

The children worked really hard in the Autumn term and earned a well-deserved break.

On behalf of all of the staff at Costessey Primary School, we wish you all a Happy New Year and look forward to another exciting term!

Mrs Lawson



Reading Mornings

This year we will be extending our reading mornings so that every year group has one. This is a time where parents are invited into classrooms at the beginning of the day when you drop your child(ren) off, you are encouraged to share a selection of books with your child(ren). Once the school day starts at 8:40 you will be able to leave classrooms through the fire doors, or for Year 4 please exit via the stairs and through the doors onto the reception playground. Please see below for reading morning days:

Reception - Thursday

Year 1 - Wednesday

Year 2 - Monday

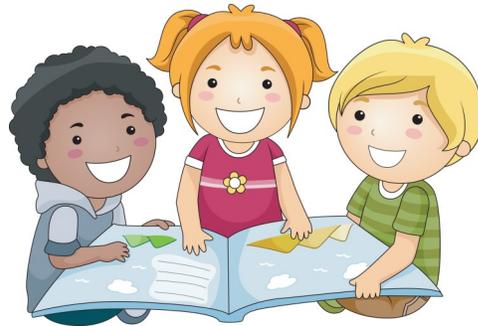
Year 3 - Friday

Year 4 - Tuesday

Year 5 - Wednesday

Year 6 - Thursday

Apologies if you have children in years where the days clashes, but with 7 year we have been unable to avoid this.



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Fruit Tuck

Fruit Tuck is available at break time for children in Years 3-6. If your child would like to purchase something from the tuck shop, they need to bring in a small amount of money (most items cost 20p) in a named purse each day.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will continue to receive their free fruit to eat during their snack time.

Children bringing in their own snack are reminded that we are a healthy school so no crisps or chocolate please.

PE Days

Reception	Thursday
Year 1	Monday and Tuesday
Year 2	Tuesday and Friday
Year 3	Monday and Wednesday
Year 4	4R - Monday and Tuesday 4L - Monday and Tuesday 4E - Monday and Thursday
Year 5	5T - Wednesday and Thursday 5M - Wednesday and Thursday 5FG - Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 6	6J - Tuesday and Thursday 6L - Thursday and Friday 6S - Thursday and Friday

What did we do last half term?

EYFS



We had a super term. We started our learning by looking and talking about the book "You Choose" and finding out about our new classrooms.

Later we learnt about nocturnal animals through the story "Owl Babies" and discovered that some animals like hedgehogs hibernate for Winter ☐.

Our most recent classwork was finding out about celebrations- Halloween, Bonfire night, Diwali and ending with a year group celebration for Christmas.



Along the way we have been learning to write our names, simple words, sequencing and recognising numbers, weighing and measuring, recalling sounds for reading, taking turns and making friends.

We have had a wonderful start to the academic year.



Year 1

Year 1 learnt about Superheroes last half term. We enjoyed lots of books about Superheroes, including 'Supertato' which we wrote our own stories about. We learnt all about the lives of Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Edith Cavell and went on a visit to the Museum of Norwich to learn more about the life of Florence Nightingale.

A nurse and paramedic also came to visit us. We asked them questions about their jobs and created our own class fact files. We also really enjoyed practising for our nativity and performing it in our wonderful costumes.



Year 2

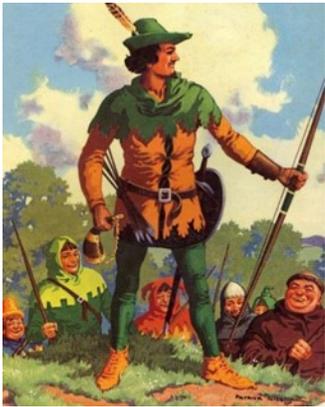
We had an incredibly busy half term and were so excited to show parents, carers and friends our Christmas Nativity. Thank you so much to all those who attended to support the children, it was a wonderful show and we were so very proud of all the children.



Our Topic 'Castles and Knights' began with a visit from a missing dragon from Norwich Castle, it had left a trail of footprints and fire eaten paper through the school. Mr Creighton was not happy!

We created missing posters to try and locate it however it was never seen again (luckily!). The children learnt some interesting facts about castles and how to defend a Motte and Bailey, even creating our very own catapults!

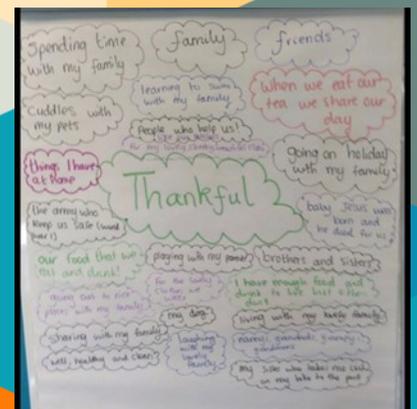
After meeting the dragon, we learnt the legend of the Sword in the Stone using talk for writing. Once we had learnt the story we then invented our own version. The children enjoyed learning about the heroic outlaw Robin Hood and his Merry men, creating their very own Merry person applying the skills that they had learnt in English; expanded noun phrases and sub-ordinating and co-ordinating conjunctions.



In Maths we built upon our place value knowledge, learning to add and subtract two two-digit numbers. We looked at the value of money, recognising coins and notes and finding different ways to make the same amount.

The Year 2 teachers favourite lesson of the term was our 'thankful' lesson. Discussing with the children what they feel thankful for in their lives, a reflective and truly heart-warming lesson.

We hope you all had happy and restful holidays!



Year 3

Last term, Year 3 worked extremely hard and showed excellent enthusiasm and resilience in their learning, from writing in a variety of genres to making and unearthing their own fossils. We took part in a wide variety of different experiences such as Road Safety lessons to dressing up as Victorians and taking part in Christmas at the Workhouse at Gressenhall.

Our topic 'Dawn of Man' took us from the Stone Age all the way up to the Iron Age, where we found out about a time before writing. Within this, we discovered where people used to live, different clothing and why people started to settle and build towns and villages.



In English, we learnt how to write a biography and studied two well-known authors, David Walliams and Roald Dahl. Once we found facts about the author, we created paragraphs all about the author's life. The children really enjoyed finding out about authors and applying their knowledge of them into writing.

In maths we focused on addition and subtraction calculations, this involved using the expanded column methods. We also looked at how to mentally add and subtract hundreds and tens away from each other. Throughout our maths lessons, we have been consistently learning our times tables, making sure we are revisiting and getting in daily practise in order to become fluent. The children enjoyed practising these through TimesTable Rock stars. Can you practise at home too?

The Year 3 teachers have been extremely impressed with home learning and it is clear that each child has been extremely motivated to read and many have their name up in the library. Keep up the excellent work!

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	50	2
100	20	6

Year 4

Last half term, Year 4 explored all things Roman. We began the topic by learning about Roman architecture and creating replica buildings from biscuits and icing sugar! During the unit, the children learnt about the Roman Empire, Julius Caesar and the Roman army. Jeremy Strong's Book 'Romans on the Rampage' inspired a range of historical writing including a description of a chariot race, a letter to a Roman citizen and a short newspaper report of chariot shipwreck.



Year 5

Year 5 enjoyed learning lots about the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings during last half term! We went on a fantastic trip to West Stow to learn about how the Anglo-Saxons would have lived and got to look at some artefacts and see some real Anglo-Saxon houses. Year 5 also wrote some fantastic traditional tales based on the story of Beowulf, but from Grendel, the evil, stalker of the night's perspective.

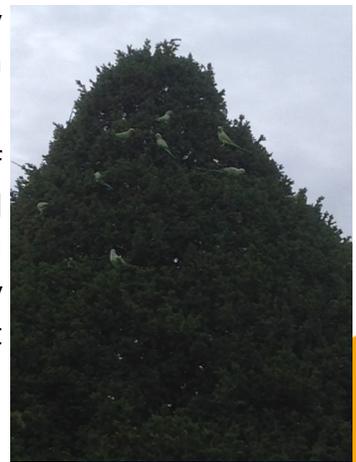


Year 6

Year 6 visited Hampton Court Palace in Autumn 2 and got to walk along the very same corridors as Henry VIII once did, visit his private chapel and see the room in which he married Catherine Howard (wife number five!). We visited the kitchens (fortunately no one expected us to be able to cook for one thousand people at a sitting) and got the chance to explore the grounds. We were all rather taken with the large number of parakeets in the trees!

In school, our work on Tudor times continued as we finished reading the book, 'Treason' by Berlie Doherty and got to understand more of how Henry's creation of the Church of England divided the country and made enemies of some. Needing to plead for their lives, some of the characters in the book found themselves faced with none other than the notoriously grumpy monarch himself! Having rehearsed our speeches, we wrote a persuasive letter requesting that the life of Lord Montague be spared.

Tudor Week turned out not just to be a thing for the Great British Bake Off either, as we practised making Tudor Jumbles, first out of salt dough and then out of the spiced biscuit mix that was traditional at that time. Our final batch of jumbles were served at our Tudor Christmas feast - thank you very much indeed to all those parents who came to join us to see the term out and the Christmas holidays in with such style!



Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day



We raised £353 from Christmas Jumper Day. Thank you to everyone who donated.



PTA Raffle has been drawn with the help of Miss Middleton and Mrs Barber.

The winning ticket was number '16' who won the amazing prize of a 'Best Friends Sleepover Package'.

Congratulations to the winner who has now come forward.

Thank you to everyone that bought raffle tickets and entered in to the



REMINDER:
No Dogs on
School Property



Could we please ask that all parents refrain from bringing their dogs onto the school grounds, either on a lead or being held.

TESCO BREAKFAST

Please be advised that due to low demand, we will no longer be receiving Tesco breakfasts on Tuesday mornings.



Autumn/Winter Hot Dinner Menu

Week One

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Margherita Pizza with Jacket Potato Wedges (v)	Chicken Curry with Steamed Rice and Naan Bread	Sausages with Yorkshire Pudding	Oriental Chicken with Noodles	Breaded Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Vegemince Curry with Steamed Rice NEW!	Vegetable Lasagne	Quorn Sausage with Yorkshire Pudding	Mediterranean Vegetable and Potato Layered Bake NEW!	Spanish Omelette
Served with	Garden Peas and Sweetcorn	Vegetable Medley	Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Cabbage and Gravy	Broccoli and Sweetcorn	Chips, Garden Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Orange Cupcake NEW!	Apple Crumble with Custard	Fresh Fruit Salad	Beetroot Brownie	Fresh Fruit Selection

Filled Jacket Potatoes and Packed Lunch Options are available daily. Please check with your school.

Week One: 28 Oct / 18 Nov / 9 Dec / 13 Jan / 3 Feb / 2 Mar / 23 Mar

Week Two

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Beef Burger in a Roll with Diced Potatoes	Pork and Bean Hotpot NEW!	Roast Chicken with Stuffing	Pasta Bolognese	Crispy Fish Fillet
Option 2 (v)	Oriental Quorn Strips with Noodles	Cheesy Pasta	Lentil Roast	BBQ Quorn Fillet with Steamed Rice	Garden Vegetable Goujons
Served with	Mixed Salad	Vegetable Medley	Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Swede and Gravy	Broccoli and Sweetcorn	Chips, Garden Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Fresh Fruit Selection	Pancake with Ice Cream	Apple Flapjack	Sponge with Sauce	Fresh Fruit Selection

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Week Two: 4 Nov / 25 Nov / 16 Dec / 20 Jan / 10 Feb / 9 Mar / 30 Mar

Week Three

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Margherita Pizza with Diced Potatoes (v)	Hunter's Chicken with Steamed Rice	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding and Mashed Potatoes	Chicken with Mediterranean Pasta	Breaded Fish Fingers or Salmon Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Vegetarian Bean Chilli with Steamed Rice	Sweet Potato and Spinach Pasty with Curry Sauce and Jacket Wedges NEW!	Vegemince Cottage Pie	Italian Bean Bake	Cheese and Tomato Quiche
Served with	Mixed Salad	Vegetable Medley	Carrots, Green Beans and Gravy	Mixed Salad	Chips, Garden Peas or Baked Beans
And for Pudding	Fresh Fruit Salad	Mini Cocoa Oatcake with Orange Wedges	Fresh Fruit Salad	Toffee Cream Tart	Chewy Popcorn Bar NEW!

Filled Jacket Potatoes and Packed Lunch Options are available daily. Please check with your school.

Week Three: 11 Nov / 2 Dec / 6 Jan / 27 Jan / 24 Feb / 16 Mar

Autumn/Winter Jacket Potato Menu

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Jacket Potato Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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Term Dates



Costessey Primary School Term Dates 2019/2020

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Spring 1st Half Term		Spring 2nd Half Term	
Date	Event	Date	Event
8th Jan	Pantomime Trip EYFS, Year 1 & Year 2	24th Feb	Back to School
9th Jan	Pantomime Trip Years 3-6	24th Feb	Reception Height, Weight, Vision & Hearing
14th,17th,21st Jan	Year 2 Pedestrian Training	25th Feb	Reception Height, Weight, Vision & Hearing
16th Jan	Norse special 'Movies' Lunch	2nd & 4th Mar	Parents Evening
10th Feb	Reception Height, Weight, Vision & Hearing	18th Mar	Scholastic Book Fair
11th Feb	Reception Height, Weight, Vision & Hearing	3rd Apr	Break up for Easter Holidays
14th Feb	Break up for February Half Term		