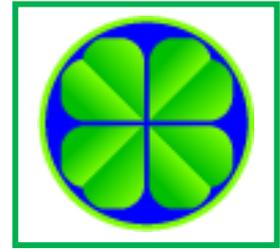




Tas Valley Church Schools Federation
Preston CE VC Primary School
Saxlingham Nethergate CE VC Primary School



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Both schools remain open for vulnerable children and to provide childcare for our keyworker parents to enable them to continue their work, and we aim to keep our offices manned during normal school hours.

If you need to make contact with anybody at school during closure, please direct emails to us as follows:

Mrs Payne - head@tasburgh.norfolk.sch.uk OR head@saxlingham.norfolk.sch.uk

Miss Rich - deputy@tasburgh.norfolk.sch.uk

Mrs Knight – deputy@saxlingham.norfolk.sch.uk

School Offices - office@saxlingham.norfolk.sch.uk OR office@tasburgh.norfolk.sch.uk

Or by phone:

SAXLINGHAM

01508 499271

PRESTON

01508 470454

LOOKING AFTER OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Please continue to let us know if any member of your household has coronavirus – we will try to make additional opportunities for children to meet with staff on screen or on the phone if we know the family are self-isolating.

We are delighted to see so many of our children on screen during chat sessions and lessons. For those that are not able to manage this, we will try to get in touch by phone. If you miss calls or are unable to take them at the time, please contact us and let us know a good time for us to call again.

JUST ONE NORFOLK - Justonenorfolk.nhs.uk

0300 300 0123

Are you worried about your child's physical or mental health?

Visit the website for tips and information.

Call the phone number to talk to someone.

Is your child using the internet safely?

Most parents are very surprised when we contact them to share information about concerns regarding their child's unsafe use of the internet.

Please make sure you have full parental control of all devices.

Restrict use to age-appropriate sites.

Keep checking so you know what sites have been visited.

Monitor any chat functions - make sure you know the people your children talk to and what's being said.

Don't think, 'My child wouldn't do that' - children need protecting.

E-SAFETY GUIDANCE HAS BEEN SENT WITH YOUR HOME-LEARNING LETTER THIS WEEK.

Learning at Saxlingham...

Saving Our Living Planet

Do you know how we can save our living planet?

Our home learning took an exciting turn last week when Owl Class and Hedgehog class participated in a live lesson with Amy Ball, the primary education officer from the World Wildlife Fund, to answer this very question.

Pupils enthusiastically described how they liked to experience nature and what nature gives us.

They learned the difference between a species and a population, the meaning of 'biodiversity' and how the health of our planet is measured.

Pupils learned that wildlife populations have decreased by an average of 68% over the last 50 years - a shocking statistic.

But it was great to hear simple steps we can all take to protect our planet such as wasting less food or walking to school.

Pupils will be applying what they have learned next week and we look forward to hearing their creative ideas for saving our planet.

Winter!



Austin and Madeleine, from Saxlingham, were inspired by the activity ideas in our outdoor learning newsletter.

These icy decorations are beautiful!

Perhaps their success will inspire you to have a go.

In the Winter Season

In the winter season,

You step outside and remember that horrible breeze that haunted you last year. The chilly air brushes past your face sending shivers down your spine.

In the winter season,

You gape and stare outside, waiting for a drop of snow to fall. Waiting to build a snowman before the snow melts.

In the winter season,

Icicles dangle dangerously, staggered across rooftops, watching for their points, as sharp as a needle, to drop on someone's head.

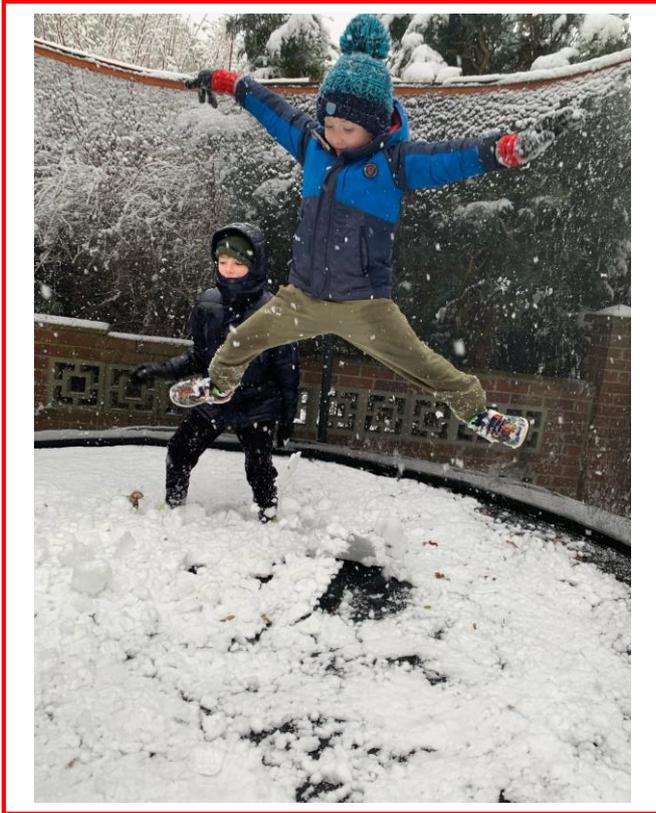
In the winter season,

You hop back indoors to take a sip of luxurious hot chocolate. When you get all snuggled up on the sofa and take a sip of your drink, it changes your mood to happy and warm.

By Toby (Preston Primary)

What a fantastic poem – it's a pleasure to publish it in our newsletter.

Great work, Toby!



Cian and Orton had great fun in the snow. I hope you did, too!

AN INVITATION TO CHILDREN TO SHARE THEIR SUCCESSES WITH US

We invite you to send photographs for inclusion in our next newsletter.

We welcome anything based on the

BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH

Children could contribute their own photographs of birds they spotted in their gardens or bird feeders they have made; artwork on the theme of birds; poems or anything else inspired by this event!

Please send photos to head@tasburgh.norfolk.sch.uk or head@saxlingham.norfolk.sch.uk

Please avoid sending these items to teachers or the school office – thank you.

By submitting a photo for this purpose, you are agreeing for the image, your child's first name, school and year group to be shown on the federation newsletter.

