

Kingfisher Class Newsletter

Friday 16th January 2026



This week in Kingfisher Class...

English: We have started reading a new book called *George and the Dragon* by Chris Wormell and will use this to inspire our writing over the next few weeks. This week, we have written a character description of the dragon; we have acted out parts of the story; written descriptive sentences and sentences that end with an exclamation mark.

Maths: We started the week by introducing the sign for multiplication. We wrote sentences to describe what was happening in a picture, such as 3 birds sitting in 3 trees: $3 \times 3 = 9$. We then looked at arrays and grouped objects equally. We ended the week sharing objects equally using bar models.

History: We have started our new unit of work on Norwich Castle. The children began by looking at old maps to try and work out why a castle was built in Norwich. They then used their oracy skills to present what they thought was the main reason for selecting the site for a castle. Others in their group then had the opportunity to agree and build on this or disagree and present an alternative reason. At the end of the session, each group had to reach a consensus on the main reason. Some of us found this hard to do! We then looked at the type of castle that it was. Please do ask your child to explain to you the key features of a Motte and Bailey Castle!

PSHRE: We investigated the importance of having a password that was hard to guess by others. We played Hangman to see how quickly we could guess each other's made up passwords to prove this point. We went on to discuss who we can share personal information with.

P.E We have learnt different balances as part of our gymnastics lessons.

Today, Sarah, from *Bright Bites* came to speak to us about how we can look after our teeth. She spoke about the importance of brushing twice a day, avoiding sugary food between meals times and why we need to look after our teeth. Your child will have brought home a toothbrush, toothpaste and a booklet to help them recap key information.

Notices and messages:

1. A reminder to please give permission and make payment on School Money for your child to go on our class trip to Norwich Castle NEXT WEEK. We are all very excited about our school trip!
2. On Tuesdays, the children will need to come to school wearing a pair of shorts underneath their tracksuit bottoms for our gymnastics lessons please. This is to ensure that we use the apparatus safely. All jewellery, watches and earrings should be removed before coming to school, where possible. If you can provide tape where earrings cannot be taken out, that would be much appreciated.