



With friendship, trust and kindness, we fly!



The Swallowtail Federation

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September 2025 Newsletter

Message from the Executive Head

Dear families,

Welcome back to a new academic year.

I have been really impressed with how well all the children have settled back in. The schools are calm with a buzz of learning throughout. Thank you for ensuring they have all arrived with the equipment they need and ready to learn.

We look forward to a term of wonderful events linked to the curriculum and beyond. You will see we continue to offer a wide range of trips and visitors, to not only support our children's learning but also widen their experiences. Sadly, we have been made aware in the past of a few families stating they will deliberately not pay for these things as they are voluntary. It is important to note that trips cannot go ahead if they run at a loss. We were very close on a number of occasion last year of needing to cancel, which would have been devastating for the children. We recognise that it is not always easy for families to afford the full amount for our trips, so kindly remind you we are happy to discuss a reduced price or payment. You may also wish to contact your parish council who are able to offer financial support. We hope you will all be able to work with us so we can continue to offer these experiences to our wonderful children.

Kind Regards

Natalie Butcher

Attendance YTD Catfield Primary Academy:

Lions: 97.47%

Cheetahs: 96.52%

Panthers: 96.87%

Well done Lions!

Every day in school counts...



and every minute counts...



Message from Miss Amis

Dear families,

Welcome back, we hope you all enjoyed a lovely sunny summer break!

Please could I remind everyone that the correct uniform and shoes should be worn in school. Children will require separate trainers and welly boots to change into for break times and lunch times. We have already had a number of unnamed jumpers and cardigans begin to pile up in school. Please please make sure that everything is named, if not, we can't guarantee we can get it back to you!

Please make sure you are following our Facebook page to keep up to date with everything happening in school.

Key dates coming up:

- Friday 26th September - non uniform day £1
- Thursday 2nd October - Football Fundraiser match
- Friday 3rd October - Harvest worship at church 9am
- Wednesday 15th October - KS1 Strangers Hall trip

Thank you,
Miss Amis

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2025–2026 Academic calendar



Norfolk County Council

2025-2026

Norfolk Model Calendar

This calendar applies to community schools, community special schools, VC schools and nursery schools and sets the days on which school transport will be provided. While most Foundation, VA, foundation special, free schools and academy trusts who are able to set their own dates, adopt the Norfolk Model, we advise you to check with your child's school before making holiday or other commitments.

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Key : White dates - schools open to pupils
 Yellow dates - pupil holiday
 Red dates - bank holiday

Five staff training days will be selected from yellow dates, we suggest 1st & 2nd September, 5th January, 13th April and 20th July. Some may choose to use twilight hours for staff training instead of some or all of these.

Diary dates

September:

23rd	KS2 Swimming
23rd	KS2 Young Voices choir 3.20pm-4.20pm
24th	KS2 Sport event
24th	Space club 3.20pm-4.20pm
26th	Non-uniform day
30th	KS2 Swimming

October:

1st	Space club 3.20pm-4.20pm
3rd	Harvest Worship @ Catfield Church 9am
7th	KS2 Swimming
7th	KS2 Young Voices choir 3.20pm-4.20pm
8th	Space club 3.20pm-4.20pm
14th	KS2 Swimming
14th	KS2 Young Voices choir 3.20pm-4.20pm
15th	KS1 Trip to Strangers Hall
15th	Space club 3.20pm-4.20pm
21st	KS2 Swimming—Last session
21st	EYFS Trip to Norwich Cathedral
21st	KS2 Young Voices choir 3.20pm-4.20pm
22nd	Space club 3.20pm-4.20pm
23rd	Disco 3.20pm-4.20pm
24th	Flu Vaccinations (Reception to Year 6)

27th October— 2nd November—HALF TERM

3rd November	Children return to school
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Safeguarding

Some links for e-safety:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/digital/5-a-day/>