

# SRB Newsletter- Autumn Term 2023

## Merry Christmas

Hello!

What a busy half term it has been, with the pantomime, performances, craft afternoons, visitors for Norfolk SEND team and Vatten Fall. The children have definitely earned a well deserved break. We have seen a massive change in the behaviour of the children this half term and they have worked so hard each week to get to the set dojo points (we have managed to earn the diddy cars, laptop time and even a disco).

Myself and the SRB team would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and we look forward to seeing everyone in 2024!

## The SRB Team:



Miss Leach



Mrs Hearmon



Mrs James



Mrs Rosier

## Norfolk SEND Local Offer

The Local Offer is the central information point for families with children and young people aged up to 25 years with special educational needs and/or disabilities.

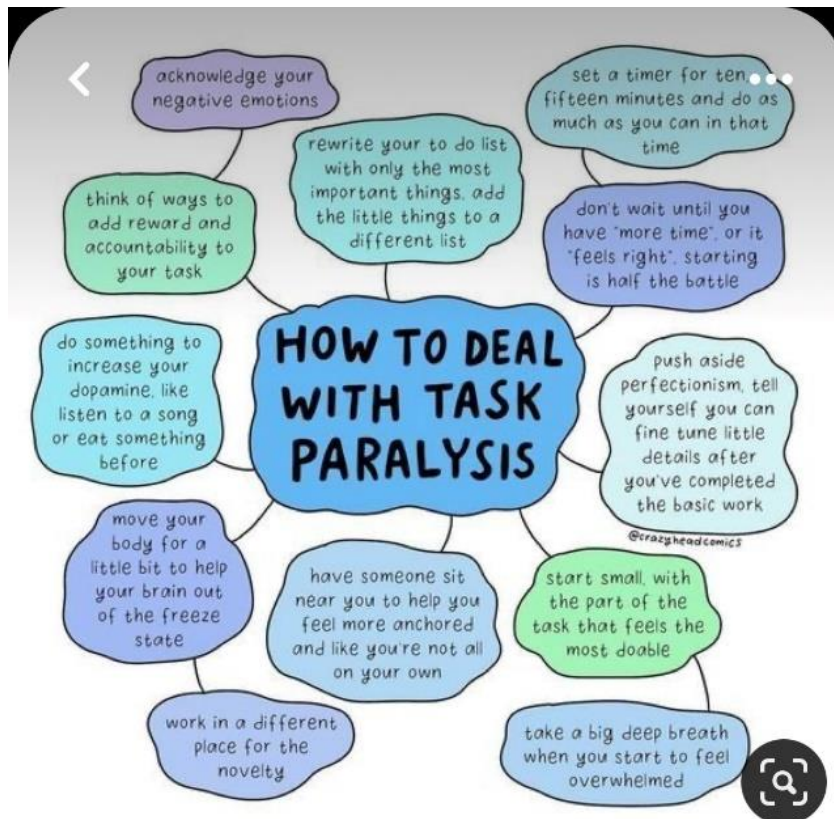
You can contact the team by email at: [send@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:send@norfolk.gov.uk)

or you can view the local offer at: [norfolk.gov.uk/send](https://norfolk.gov.uk/send)

## NEURODIVERGENCE FOCUS

### Task Paralysis

Task paralysis is the inability to focus, concentrate or perform tasks. Typically occurs when someone is feeling overwhelmed by their environment or situation, resulting in a brain 'crash' and limited functionality. Task paralysis is common in those who have ASD and ADHD.



## Student Success

This half term we have started our visits to the local library, we really enjoyed exploring all the different books and we each chose one to borrow to read in school. We have had our yearly trip to the pantomime, this year it was 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Year 6 enjoyed their trip to Kidzania and tried out lots of different job roles; from being a police officer to a news reader or car washer. We supported Children in Need, dressing up in spots or as book characters and we were lucky enough to have a visit from Vatten Fall; the wind energy company we met at the Norfolk Show who taught us all about wind energy and helped us to make our own model windfarm. We spent the last couple of weeks of this half term learning the songs for the Christingle and enjoyed being part of this with the whole school. We were also lucky enough to be asked to create some art work for the Norfolk SEND team which we did alongside the children in Rosen class. A very busy half term with lots of successes.



## Topics

Spring 1 Topics:

English- The owl who was afraid of the dark

Maths- Multiplication and division

RE- Judaism

PE- Gymnastics

Computing- Robot algorithms

French- Mon Corps

Art- Self portraits and portraits

## Dates for your Diary

20<sup>th</sup> December- Last day before Christmas

4<sup>th</sup> January 2024- Children return to school

29<sup>th</sup> January- National Lego Day

2<sup>nd</sup> February- NSPCC Number Day

5<sup>th</sup> February- Children's Mental Health Week

19<sup>th</sup> February- Half term

26<sup>th</sup> February- Children return to school

# Tesco Tokens- WE NEED YOUR HELP

**Nelson Academy SRB**  
**Project Title - SRB Outdoor Classroom**

## **Nelson Academy SRB- SRB Outdoor Classroom- Downham Market**

The Specialist Resource Base would like to create an outdoor area for our students with Autism to have a space outside to learn, play and explore their sensory needs.

We are delighted to let you know that our application to the Tesco Stronger Starts has been successful and our project will be put forward to a customer vote in the local Tesco store. Voting will commence in store from the first week of October 2023 until Mid January 2024. The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive £1,500, the second placed project £1,000, and the third placed project £500.

What happens next?

Voting will take place in the Downham Market store (PE38 9AW)

To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token. We have already begun to collect tokens in the SRB so if you get a token before voting opens, please do consider passing it onto us either via the Main School Office or via the SRB door.

Please help us if you can to work towards getting an outdoor space that is safe and usable all year round.

Many thanks for your support

Miss Leach and the SRB Team and Children

Our current outdoor area:



**Please keep supporting us, the voting closes mid January, tokens can be put in the box in the Downham store or given to the SRB to take.**