

# Nightingale Infant and Nursery School Weekly Newsletter 08.07.2022

Dear Nightingale Families,

The children have had a sporty week this week, taking part in a range of activities. They amazed us with their determination and courage when tackling the climbing wall at the beginning of the week. Other activities have included dance, cricket and families joining us for our sports day. Thank you to everyone who was able to join us to cheer the children on. The sponsored event will now take place on Monday as we have been so busy this week. Please can all children wear their PE kits on Monday, thank you.

An enormous thank you to Mrs Hart who has spent a long time planning, organising and setting up everything which took place for sports week...the children and staff thoroughly enjoyed it!

On Thursday Reception and Year 1 children spent time with their new classes. The staff were so impressed with the way Kingfisher embraced the change of moving 'upstairs' and how our Year 1 children welcomed them. Our Year 1/2 teachers were able to spend the afternoon planning for September while our EYFS team spent much of the day welcoming our new reception children into school.

Our curriculum plans will be shared with you early in September alongside inviting you into school to meet your child's teacher, see their classroom and hear about what next year looks like for your child.

We were pleased to welcome Mrs Boyce back into school this week. It didn't take long before the school was filled with her singing and the music had returned to the library. She's very much looking forward to seeing you all before the end of term.

As you may be aware, Covid-19 cases are rising locally and nationally. It is very present in school with a number of staff now positive, particularly within our EYFS team. At present we are able to cover staff absence and are trying our best for this not to impact events in school for the children or result in any class closures. Staff are required to isolate for 5 days following a positive test result and children 3 days. We appreciate testing is no longer readily available or required so we know it is likely asymptomatic children and staff will be in school spreading the virus. We strongly urge you to keep your child at home if they are unwell. Symptoms we are currently seeing is upset stomachs, sickness, aching limbs and cold like symptoms.

If your child is unwell, you suspect they may have Covid-19 and you don't have access to a test, please contact the school office. We have a small number of individual tests which can be provided on request.

We're looking forward to welcoming back Year 2 on Monday and hearing about their adventures at the Junior School. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hutt & The Nightingale Team

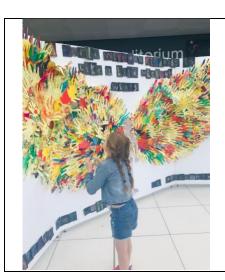
## **Huggy Wuggy/Internet Safety**

Rockify (rockifymusic.co.uk)	Music Tuition
	Apologies, there was an error in pricing on the website and in last week's newsletter. This has now been rectified.
	It's lovely to see so much interest already. If you are interested in your child taking part in 1:1 paid for music



tuition, please see the Rockifmusic website for more information.

#### **Kindness Art Project**



As you know, our art display, alongside our trust schools, was on display last weekend at The Forum.

It was lovely to hear so many families were able to visit and see it up. Thank you to Hollie's family who shared this photo from their visit.

The art work is now back in school and will be displayed in the school hall. If you were unable to see it on display, we welcome you to come and see it after school next Friday.

The feedback we have received from The Forum and members of the public have been heart-warming. We plan to repeat this with a different theme next year.

Thank you again to Miss Betts for planning and organising our project.

#### **Taverham Junior School Summer Fayre**



#### **Huggy Wuggy**



As alerted earlier in the week, there has been increased conversations amongst children and parents regarding Huggy Wuggy.

If you are unaware, this is a bear which is appearing on You Tube, TikTok and other internet platforms. The character is from the 2021 horror game 'Poppy's Playtime'. It is encouraging children to copy behaviours – hugging people randomly and then carrying out violence and verbal abuse.

There are some images in the game and within videos which can be disturbing. Controls on devices and platforms don't completely eliminate the ability for these things to be present in adverts. We strongly urge parents to continue to supervise children using devices accessible to the internet.

Staff are aware children are talking about this is school and have talked to classes. On Monday we will have a whole school assembly to remind children about appropriate and safe play outside.

#### **Pastoral Support**



Mrs Lake will be at Nightingale on Monday and Thursday next week. She will be on the gate both days and happy to catch up with you during the day if you need her. She can be contacted at either school every day of the week

### **Big Norfolk Holiday Fun**

Big Norfolk Holiday Fun will be running from 25 July until 3 September for children aged 5-16 (and 4 year olds in Reception classes) who are eligible for Pupil Premium. Please find activities and booking details below:









25 July - 2 September

- Fun holiday activities for children aged
   4-16 with a free healthy lunch too
- FREE for all families claiming for means tested free school meals



Visit www.norfolk.gov.uk/bignorfolkholidayfun



**Our School Library** 



#### Learning taking place in our classes this week & key messages!

**EYFS** 





In EYFS this week the children have been learning about all the different sports events in the commonwealth games. We learnt about the Commonwealth mascot, Perry the Bull and tried lots of different sports and games as part of sports week. The Kingfishers all had the opportunity to climb the very tall climbing wall, they were all so brave and supportive of each other! On Tuesday Nuthatch and Kingfishers joined in with Indian dance which was lots of fun. The children also learnt cricket skills and took part in multiskills where they practiced aiming, throwing and catching. We are so proud of all the EYFS children for trying their best in sports day this week, they had been practising all the games in PE and were so excited to show you their talents. Remember to come to school in your PE kit on Monday this week to take part in the sponsored event. Kingfishers there will be no PE on Tuesday. Can we ask that when your child comes to school they wear their hat and hold their water bottle, or keep it in a bottle buddy. This is so that it is put in the correct places as soon as they enter the classroom ready for the day. Thank you.

Key Stage 1

In key stage one this week we have had great fun with lots of sporting activities. On Monday the children showed great determination on the climbing wall, it was 9 meters high and many of them made it to the top to ring the bell. Tuesday, we enjoyed the Indian Dance, especially using the beautiful scarves. Wednesday was sports day, thank you if you were able to attend, watch the children and cheer them on. We enjoyed having you all in school again. Thursday we focused on transition and enjoyed meeting new children. We hope our year two children enjoyed their time at Taverham Junior School. Friday the Sports Partnership joined us for a variety of fun activities. It was such a busy week! In class we thought about healthy and not so



healthy foods and activities. We also tried designing our own sports activities. We are looking forward to the sponsored event on Monday.

# Dates for the diary

	July 2022							
Monday 11.07.2022 Sponsored Event (whole school) Please wear PE kits.								
Monday	11.07.2022	Reports out to parents						
Wednesday 13.07.2022 EYFS Multi skills Festival (10 children from Reception)		EYFS Multi skills Festival (10 children from Reception)						
Tuesday	19.07.2022	Year 2 Water Extravaganza						
Wednesday	20.07.22	End of Year Party with 'Steve Sausage'						
Thursday	21.07.2022	Movie Afternoon						
Friday	22.07.2022	Last day of term						
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# **Term dates**

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