



# Nightingale Infant and Nursery School Weekly Newsletter

Dear Nightingale Families,

Wow! Another wonderful week at school! Some of our children visited the high school to take part in some exciting sporting events. They did really well and were fantastic representatives for our school.



Mrs Yaxley, the Maths lead from Drayton Community Infant school came in today to see what marvellous Maths looks like at Nightingale and was very impressed with what she saw.

We have launched some exciting new equipment on the playground for lunch and break times, and lots of children have shown how brilliantly they can take turns and share. Watch this space for some more exciting things coming to our playground!

Mrs Boyce has continued to work with Swallow class this week and is absolutely loving spending so much time with the children and sharing all of their hard work.

Adults at school are looking for children who are really focussed on listening to instructions, and showing respect at all times – this is something we'll continue to work on and celebrate with our flock tokens.

Mrs Hutt, Mrs Boyce, Mrs Watling & The Nightingale Team

## FLOCKSTARS – OPEN AND HONEST





## Support from Norfolk County Council

Our children are taught the 'PANTS rule' in school to help them to understand that their bodies belong to them, and they should tell someone they trust if anything makes them feel upset or worried. Visit the website below to learn more and for support with discussions to support this at home.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>



## Harvest

Please support our Harvest Festival collection by bringing any donations to the box on the playground. We will be celebrating with an assembly.

## Lost Property

We currently have a LOT of lost property. Please come and have a look at the lost property collection near the office if you're missing any items so that they can return to their rightful owners!

## Can we borrow?

During the course of this academic year all of the KS1 children will get the opportunity to attend one of the many events arranged as part of the school sports partnership. On Tuesday a small group of children are taking part in a Football Festival. If any parents of 'football players' have shin pads they are happy to gift / loan to the school could you please let the office know as soon as possible.

## Menu Change

Please note that there will be a change of school meals next week as follows:

### Week 3 Menu

#### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Children will be served the menu from Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October:

Breaded Fish Fingers or Garden Vegetable Goujons with chips and either garden peas or baked beans followed by Cocoa Krispie Bar with Orange Wedges

#### Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October

Children will be served the menu from Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October:

Margherita Pizza or Vegetarian Enchilada with Sunshine Couscous and mixed salad followed by Fruit Smoothie ice cream

There will be school packed lunch and jacket potato options available as normal.

You can enter your child's choice on the Pupil Asset app or teachers will take children's choices during morning registration.

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

#### EYFS



This week we have been talking about ourselves and how we are the same and different. We have discussed families and who lives with us and our extended families too. We have made our own paper plate 'portraits' to display.

In maths we have been matching and sorting. We have found matching pairs of socks and animals. We have found out that matching means the objects have to be exactly the same and sorting means we have to find ways to group objects.

New Kingfisher Reception parents, please remember our meeting next week on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 2.15 pm in the hall.

Nuthatch have been busy learning all the new routines and rules. We are learning to sit in a circle during 'base-time' and to line up sensibly. We are learning where everything goes and how to tidy away the toys we have played with. We are developing our ability to share and to help others when they need it, and to ask for help ourselves.

We have made our own paper plate 'portraits' and made our own houses for displaying at school before they can come home.

Nuthatch families please could we remind you to bring in a family photo to put up as part of a display in the class. Thank you.

## Key Stage 1



In key stage one this week we have continued to use our book 'things I can do to help my world' in our English lessons. We have planned and made our own zigzag books of ways to help our world. The children had some great ideas and have worked hard on the presentation of their writing, drawing and colouring.

In maths we have been learning about addition. We used our knowledge of tens and ones to add up numbers, first practically, then by drawing pictorial representations and finally using a tens and ones grid. Some of us even learnt to exchange when the ones add up to more than ten.

In science we have been learning what parts of our bodies are called. We then focussed on our five senses (sight, hearing, smell, taste and touch). We will be completing activities around each of these senses over the next few weeks.

### **We would like your help with the following please;**

- Next week we are hoping to make egg box bird feeders. If you have any empty egg boxes or spare bird seed (no nuts please) we would really appreciate them.
- If you have any bulbs or spare hanging baskets please take them to Mrs Hollis.
- We also still need more small junk modelling boxes, milk bottle tops, pretty sweet wrappers etc for our art.

Thank you

## Dates for the diary

October 2022

Tuesday	04.10.2022	KS1 Football Festival (Selected group of 10 year 1 / 2 children). PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE.
Thursday	06.10.2022	14:15-15:00 Reception Parents Information Meeting
Friday	07.10.2022	9:00-10:00 Year 1 and 2 parents invited into class to join us in our maths learning
Friday	14.10.2022	KS1 Rugby Festival (Selected group of 10 year 1 / 2 children)
Friday	21.10.2022	School closes for half term
Monday	31.10.2022	School re-opens

November 2022

Tuesday AM	08.11.2022	Flu immunisation for all children (more information to follow)
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December 2022

Friday	16.12.2022	School closes for Christmas Holiday
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January 2023

Wednesday	04.01.2023	School re-opens for Spring term
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February 2023

Friday	10.02.2023	School closes for half term
Monday	20.02.2023	School re-opens

March 2023

Friday	31.03.2023	School closes for Easter holiday
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April 2023

Tuesday	18.04.2023	School re-opens for Summer term
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May 2023

Friday	26.05.2023	School closes for half term
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June 2023

Monday	05.06.2023	School re-opens
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July 2023

Friday	21.07.2023	School closes for summer holiday
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## Term dates

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# Norfolk County Council 2022-2023 Norfolk Model Calendar

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