

# Nightingale Infant and Nursery School Weekly Newsletter 16.12.2022

Dear Nightingale Families,

We've had the most amazing end to the term this week with lots of festive celebrations. Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our Key Stage 1 Christmas performance at the church. We were so proud of the children and touched by the many warming comments from families.

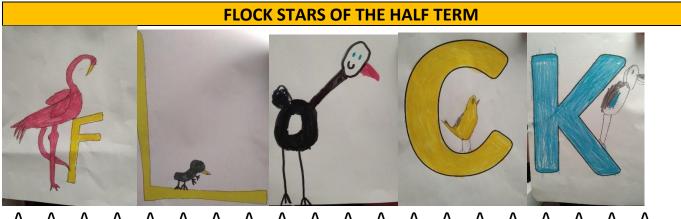
An enormous thank you to the Nightingale Friends for organising the movie afternoon on Thursday. The children and staff very much loved being in their pjs, particularly with the less than welcoming temperatures outside.

The staff have been busy planning for next term and we look forward to sharing these with you when we return in January.

Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and New Year. We look forward to seeing you back on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January.

Merry Christmas!

Mrs Hutt, Mrs Boyce & The Nightingale Team



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It was wonderful celebrating the Flock Stars of the half term this morning with a special assembly. We heard about the amazing things our Flock Stars do and then they celebrated with their family by enjoying a festive treat! We look forward to inviting more families next half term.



#### **Parent Survey**

Thank you to everyone who has completed the parent questionnaire sent this week. While we try to make ourselves available to talk with families on a daily basis and hope you would always come and speak to us if you had a problem, it's helpful to get a broad view of parent feedback and welcome suggestions in how we can continue to improve the school for the children. If you haven't had the opportunity to do so yet, please could we ask that you spend a few minutes before we return to share your views. The QR code can be found below.



### **Attendance and Punctuality**

As you will know, we monitor children's attendance and punctuality. There is an increasing number of children who are arriving late into school (after 9am). This results in children not having the time to settle into the school day with their peers and they often miss key learning such as phonics which take place early in the day. As well as missed learning time, it is causing enormous disruption to the office at an already busy time day.

Please could we remind all parents that children should be in school by 9am at the latest. The gates open between 8.40-8.45, allowing families 15-20minutes to get into school.

### MENU CHANGE – WED 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2023

As the schools reopen after Christmas on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January**, we are unable to provide the advertised menu (Roast Dinner) due to there being no fresh deliveries.

Instead, the menu for this day will be Margherita Pizza or Veggie Bean Chilli (as per the Monday of Week 2).

All other menus (such as allergen menus, jacket potato and packed lunches) will be as per the Monday of Week 2.



### **CHRISTMAS BOOK BINGO**

We hope the children and their adults embrace our challenge. We would very much love to see any photographs of the children as they participate.

Please email your photo's to officenightingale@istnorfolk.co.uk

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A pdf copy of the bingo card will accompany the newsletter on Weduc.

### **CONKER CLUB SPRING TERM ACTIVITIES**



# **GIRLS FOOTBALL**

Norwich City Community Sports Foundation have an exciting weekly Girls Football sessions called Girls United!



These sessions are made for young girls aged 4-11 to play football in a fun and relaxed environment to develop their football skills along with their movement, social and teamwork skills.

Location: The Nest, Horsford

Days: Mondays

Timings: 4PM-5PM

Click here to book on!

Please e-mail me at <u>rosie.filby@norwichcitycsf.org.uk</u> for more information.

Many thanks,

**Rosie Filby** 

#### Girls' Football Coordinator





Norwich City Football Club, Carrow Road, Norwich, NR1 1JE

Company no. 4100611 England Reg. charity no. 1088239

	Learning taking place in our classes this week & key messages!
EYFS	Wow what a busy week we have all had on the build up to Christmas! The Kingfisher children were all amazingly well behaved on our trip to the church. We listened to the Christmas story and sang some lovely songs about a very special star! The Nuthatch and Kingfishers loved pulling crackers during the Christmas dinner and had lots of fun during our movie afternoon on Thursday. We watched the CBeebies Panto and all found it very funny indeed! The children have all come home with lots of Christmas crafts in their bookbags today, please do check inside for cards and lots of glitter! We have also sent home spare clothes and slippers as we are aware the children have all grown since September!
	We would also like to take this opportunity to say thank you for the lovely cards, messages and presents we have been given, we are truly grateful.
	We hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and new year and we look forward to seeing you all in January.
Key Stage 1	
	What a busy last week of an amazing term. The children worked so hard practising the Christmas story for the church. For some of them reading lines, wearing costumes and singing required a lot of confidence. A huge well done to all the children and thank you if you were able to come and watch us. In our first week back in January, in maths we will be focussing on money. If you have the opportunity in the holidays, please let your child look at different coins and notes, talk about their value and put them in order from the smallest in value to the largest. We would also like to take this opportunity to say thank you for the lovely cards, messages and presents we have been given, we are truly grateful. We hope you all have a lovely Christmas and look forward to seeing you all in January.

# Dates for the diary

January 2023							
Wednesday         04.01.2023         School re-opens for Spring term							
Friday13.01.2023Tennis Taster sessions, whole school to wear PE kits							
Thursday	26.01.2023	Whole school PE day, whole school to wear PE kits					
	February 2023						

Thursday	09.02.2023	SESMA Taster Sessions, whole school to wear PE kits					
Friday	10.02.2023	School closes for half term					
Monday	20.02.2023	School re-opens					
Wednesday	22.02.2023	Year 2 Speed Stacking Festival (10 children attending)					
Monday	27.02.2023	KS1 Cricket Festival (20 children attending)					
		March 2023					
Thursday	23.03.2023	Multi-skills PE Day in school, Year 1 / 2 to wear PE kits					
Thursday	30.03.2023	KS1 Cross Country (16 children attending)					
Friday	31.03.2023	School closes for Easter holiday					
	April 2023						
Tuesday	18.04.2023	School re-opens for Summer term					
Thursday	27.04.2023	KS1 Tri Golf (10 children attending)					
May 2023							
Friday	26.05.2023	School closes for half term					
		June 2023					
Monday	05.06.2023	School re-opens					
Monday	05.06.2023	Year R – vision and hearing screening					
Tuesday	06.06.2023	Year R – vision and hearing screening					
Thursday	08.06.2023	Vancols – Group School Photos					
Friday	30.06.2023	KS1 Athletics (10 children attending)					
	•	July 2023					
Thursday	06.07.2023	EYFS Tennis Multiskills Festival (10 children attending)					
Thursday	06.07.2023	Golf Activity Day in school, whole school to wear PE kits					
Friday	21.07.2023	School closes for summer holiday					

### **Term dates**

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# Norfolk County Council 2022-2023

#### Norfolk Model Calendar

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