



Nightingale Infant and Nursery School

Weekly Newsletter

06.01.2023

Dear Nightingale Families,

Welcome back to the spring term at Nightingale. We hope you had a lovely Christmas and New Year with friends and family.

The children have come back into school keen to learn and we are looking forward to diving into new themes, topics and books this term. Early next week staff will share plans for this half term so you can see what your child will be learning and ideas for how you might be able to support and enhance their learning at home.

Congratulations to Miss Betts, now Mrs Barnes, who got married over the Christmas holiday. It may take us all some time to remember her change of name but so far, the children are doing great!

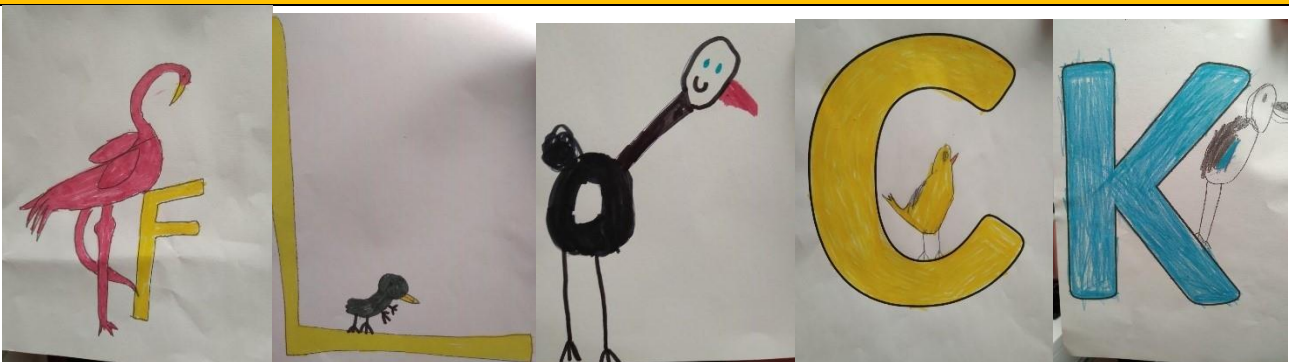
As you will be aware, cases of flu, Covid and other seasonal illnesses are at very high levels. It is expected this will continue over the next few weeks and months. Schools have been advised to remind parents to keep children off school if they have a temperature and not return until this has returned to normal. Please could we also remind you that any cases of sickness and diarrhoea require 48 hours free from the last bout before they come back to school. If your child tests positive for Covid-19, they must not attend school for at least 3 days, returning only after this time if they are well and do not present with a temperature. It is important these rules are adhered to minimise illness spreading and the disruption this can cause, resulting in high levels of pupils and staff absence.

Thank you to everyone who was able to take the time to complete the parent questionnaire sent out at the end of last term. If you haven't managed to have a look, we kindly ask that you do by Monday 9th January. We aim to share a summary of this with you next week with any action points needed.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hutt & The Nightingale Team

FLOCK STARS OF THE WEEK



Our First FLOCK stars will be in assembly next week.



Library Timetable

WB		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9 th Jan	Key Stage 1	Chaffinch		Ravens		Swallows
16 th Jan	EYFS	Please send in your library books to swap during the week				
23 rd Jan	Key Stage 1	Chaffinch		Ravens		Swallows
30 th Jan	EYFS	Please send in your library books to swap during the week				
6 th Feb	Key Stage 1	Chaffinch		Ravens		Swallows

PSHE Curriculum

We are always looking at our curriculum and ensuring it provides a best fit for the children we teach. We have recently made the decision to move away from the PATHS curriculum for PSHE and use a new resource provided by the PSHE Association. We have added to the PSHE curriculum previously, ensuring full coverage of themes and subjects and are now in a position to develop this further, adapting it to the needs of the children and the changing world in which they live. Mrs Watling, our PSHE lead, will be sharing more information with you in the coming weeks.

Whilst we will continue to have a version of the 'PATHS Person' for each class each day; now named after your child's class (for example 'Raven of the Day'); your child will no longer be bringing home printouts of their compliments. We will continue to celebrate individuals with a special seat in class and table for lunch; being at the front of the line and being go-to person for any special jobs that day. They will also wear a special Nightingale badge for the day to signify that they are our special person for the day. As always, we welcome any feedback about changes we make in school.

Are you having a clear out?

Are you having a clear out of your old toys at home? With budgets being very tight we would be very grateful for any donations. We are very short of: **plastic people, buildings/scenery, animals and dinosaurs, cars, trains, car mat, old sweet tubs with lids for storage, puzzles, storage tubs with lids.** If you have any other items that are not on the list, we would be very grateful of them too.

MENU CHANGE – W/C 16TH JANUARY 2023

The 'week one' hot dinner menu for w/c 16.01.2023 will be changed on **both** Thursday 19th and Friday 20th January 2023. On **Thursday 19th January** we will be offering the '**Fishy Friday**' menu of breaded fish fingers. On **Friday 20th January** the hot meal will be **Butcher's Best Pork Sausages** served with chips and baked beans.

All other menus (such as allergen menus, jacket potato and packed lunches) will remain unchanged.

Taverham Library – Regular Events

The local library have asked us to share the details provided below which may be of interest to our school community:

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to make you aware of some regular events that are taking place at Taverham library that might be of interest to you.

Autistic friendly after school club - Tuesdays 3.15-4.15pm.

Come and join us with a parent or carer for an afterschool hour of fun. You can take part in a quiet colouring activity or get creative with Lego. Refreshments are provided.



Adult Autism Meetup - 4th Tuesday of the month 1-3pm (Jan 24th)

We will continue to run these monthly sessions for those wishing to meet other like-minded people. This is a free event and no need to book. Refreshments are provided.

Stay and Play - Thursdays 1.30-3pm

This is aimed at pre-school children and their parents and carers. Come and have a play and grown-ups can relax and have a chat. A colouring or craft activity is always available. Refreshments are provided.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Learning taking place in our classes this week & key messages!	
<p>EYFS</p> 	<p>We would like to say a huge well done to all the EYFS children for settling back into the school routine this week. Also, a big welcome to our new starters in Nuthatch! We have loved looking through all your wonderful Tapestry observations and sharing holiday news with the children. Some of us have even drawn and written about what presents were delivered on Christmas day! This week the children have explored coding by learning how to programme a BeeBot. We have been practicing our capital letter formation and have recapped all of our sounds and tricky words in Kingfisher class ready to learn some more digraphs next week.</p> <p>Kingfisher class: This week the children have started Guided Reading. Guided reading books will be kept in school and children will bring home a different decodable phonics book to share at home. Please check Tapestry for your child's book change day. books will only be changed if they have been read at home, please remember to record your child's reading in their record book. Next week we will start PE. Please come to school wearing your PE kit every Wednesday. You will need: navy jogging bottoms, white t-shirt, navy hoody/jumper and trainers.</p> <p>Have a lovely weekend The EYFS Team.</p>
<p>Key Stage 1</p> 	<p>Welcome back to the Spring Term. We started by discussing and writing about our Christmas holidays. Children shared lots of exciting news and remembered to include full stops, capital letters, finger spaces, adjectives and conjunctions.</p> <p>We have started Guided Reading. This is when children read in a group a book at their level. They read independently but supported by an adult and their group. We revisit the text several times for understanding, phonic spotting and fluency. We have practised the structure of the session as the rest of the class work independently and most importantly quietly so the adult can hear the readers. This is a 15-minute session before lunch.</p> <p>In Maths the adults have been really impressed at coin knowledge!! The children have been sorting and finding values of 'items in a shop'. Thank you if you have been letting your children use coins over the holidays.</p> <p>We have begun Topic this week starting with science which was sorting objects using the material they are made from. Next week we will be looking at Neil Armstrong as part of the History Curriculum. Our Power of Reading book is space based and will be revealed next week.</p> <p>Have a lovely weekend The KS1 Team</p>

Dates for the diary

January 2023		
Wednesday	04.01.2023	School re-opens for Spring term
Friday	13.01.2023	Tennis 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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 Yellow dates - pupil holiday
 Red dates - bank holiday



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Norfolk Model Calendar

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