

Nightingale Infant and Nursery School Weekly Newsletter 31.03.2023

Dear Nightingale Families,

We've reached the end of another term! And what a term it has been. We've had numerous sporting events, a Wonderdome visit, a visit from the police and the fire service, and lots of exciting learning happening. Hopefully next term will feature more amazing opportunities...and a little bit more sunshine!

Earlier this week some of the children from Swallows class went to represent the school in a Cross-Country event. They did really well, and all tried their hardest. Well done Swallows!

Today our Key Stage One children went to the church to do some Easter activities. It is always good to see the children taking their learning beyond the classroom and the children did a brilliant job of representing the school. A huge thank you to all the parents who came to help us, without you it wouldn't have been possible.

Thank you to our Friends who organised some special Easter biscuits and squash for our children to enjoy as they watched Peter Rabbit today. It was a lovely end of term treat for them all.

We're pleased to welcome Mr Pyatt to the site team. He will be starting after Easter, opening up the school each morning and supporting Mr Lacaille in general day to day tasks. Mr Lacaille will continue working as our partnership site manager.

We hope you all have a wonderful Easter break, and we look forward to seeing all the children back in school on Tuesday 18th April, ready to kick off another exciting term!

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

FLOCK STARS OF THE HALF TERM







Pastoral Support

Mrs Dobson, our family liaison advisor, oversees and is able to support with attendance matters, routines and behaviour, family support or is always happy to listen and support with any concerns you or your child may have. If you would like to make an appointment to meet with her, please contact her directly on the email address below. Ldobson@istnorfolk.co.uk

RSE

During the Summer Term your child will be taught age-appropriate Relationship and Sex Education (RSE). Please see the letter attached and our website for further details and guidance on how to talk to your child about their learning

After School Clubs

From week commencing Monday 17th April 2023 we will be running the following after school clubs during the first half term:

Miss Rayner's Lego Club Wednesday Afternoon 3.10pm – 3.45pm 10 spaces

Mrs Boyce's Running Club Wednesday Morning 8.20am limit will be set based on

demand

Can you please email the office to confirm you wish your child to attend: officenightingale@istnorfolk.co.uk
Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Attendees for the running club will need to come to school in PE kit.

You will be informed if your child does not gain a place for these clubs.

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

EYFS

In EYFS this week we went on down to the deep dark woods to visit Grannies house with Little Red Riding Hood! The children used puppets and props to act out the story and used bee bots to give directions for Red Riding Hood to get there safely. We made woven baskets and created beautiful prints using paint and real flowers. We have also been very busy planting lots of seeds and bulbs in our garden. In Nuthatch the children have been recapping their number recognition and counting skills by adding food to Red Riding Hood's basket. In Kingfisher class the children have explored repeating patterns using actions, instruments and counting resources. The Kingfisher's have also written their own letters, asking for help for Little Red Riding Hood. They had to think carefully about who they would write to, the police, the firefighters or the Doctor! On Friday all the children had great fun celebrating Easter. We made our own Easter hats, decorated Easter eggs and watched an episode of Peter Rabbit in the afternoon with a special Easter biscuit! The children have been very busy making cards and cakes this week too, please do check book bags and backpacks! We hope you all have a lovely Easter holiday and look forward to seeing you all in the summer term!

Key Stage 1

In key stage one this week we have been writing our own traditional tales. First, we made a plan of the story that included who the characters are, the setting, the problem or event, what happens next and the resolution. The next day we focussed on just introducing the characters in our story. We tried to use lots of exciting adjectives. There were some fantastic sentences ...

She had beautiful, long brown hair and sparkly green eyes.

Goldilocks had hair that sparkled like the sun.

His scales were as white as snow.



Her cheeks were as red as a rose.

On Wednesday we wrote the middle of our story and on Thursday the ending. In maths this week we have been learning about measures. We have used the balance scales to compare heavier and lighter objects, weighed objects using a non-standard measure (cubes) and weighed objects using grams. We have investigated the capacity by putting water in containers so they were full, almost full, half full, nearly empty and empty. Then we used a non-standard measure to find out how many cups of water filled a container and finally we used millilitres to find how much water is in a container.

On Friday we all enjoyed our visit to Taverham Church where we completed activities based on the Easter story. Both the children (and adults!) were captivated by Reverend Gill's Godly Play story, singing altogether to celebrate Easter, Reverend Seabrooke's story and making Easter crosses using Scratch art.

We hope you have a lovely Easter holiday and look forward to seeing you all in the Summer term!

The Reverend Gill wanted to share this invite with all our families:



Mustard Tree Church on Good Friday

7th April 2023

4.00pm

St Edmund's Church Taverham

A family friendly, interactive exploring of the Cross of Jesus and His love,

With songs, Bible reading, crafts and prayers and Easter eggs.....

Dates for the diary

		April 2023
Tuesday	18.04.2023	School re-opens for Summer term
Tuesday	18.04.2023	Year R – height & weight / vision and hearing screening – PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FROM 05.06.2023

Wednesday	19.04.2023	Year R – height & weight / vision and hearing screening – PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FROM 06.06.2023
Friday	21.04.2023	Earth Day Activities in school
Friday	21.04.2023	Year 2 children Cricket (every Friday this half term) Please wear PE kit.
Thursday	27.04.2023	KS1 Tri Golf (10 children attending)
		May 2023
Friday	05.05.2023	King's Coronation Event
Friday	05.05.2023	Friends Event – Coronation paper plate competition being sent home.
Friday	26.05.2023	School closes for half term
		June 2023
Monday	05.06.2023	School re-opens
Monday	05.06.2023	Sports Week – Children to wear PE kits all week please
W/B Monday	05.06.2023	Friends Event – Sponsored Sports Event – details to be finalised.
Friday	16.06.2023	Friends Event – Father's Day cake sale - after school.
Friday	23.06.2023	Vancols – Group School Photos – please note CHANGE OF DATE FROM 8 TH JUNE
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
Saturday	08.07.2023	Friends Event – Summer Fayre.
Friday	14.07.2023	Friends Event – Year 2 leavers – 'water extravaganza'
Monday	17.07.2023	Friends Event – Year 2 leavers disco.
Friday	21.07.2023	School closes for summer holiday

Term dates

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