



# Nightingale Infant and Nursery School

## Weekly Newsletter

### 24.03.2023

Dear Nightingale Families,

We have had another exciting week at Nightingale.

On Thursday our Key Stage One children took part in a Multi-Sports session with some visiting instructors. The sessions are designed to challenge the children both physically and mentally as they begin to learn how to work strategically and as part of a team. Well done to all of the children who took part and gave it their all, supporting their team-mates and cheering them on.

With the return of (some) sunshine, we've begun to spend more of our outdoor time on the school field. With this in mind, if you haven't already, please provide your child with a pair of slippers or alternative indoor shoes that they can change into so that we can minimise the mud coming into classrooms!

Thank you to our Friends for organising and running the wonderful Mother's Day bake sale last Friday. It was a very popular event and lots of delicious goodies were sold. Thank you to everyone who made a contribution.

Today we had a visit from our local MP Mr Mayhew. He had a tour of the school and was very impressed with the fantastic learning behaviours he saw and the polite children he encountered. We discussed current matters such as Ofsted, funding for schools and support for children with SEND. It provided an opportunity to share such challenges which we hope can be brought to the attention of the Department of Education.

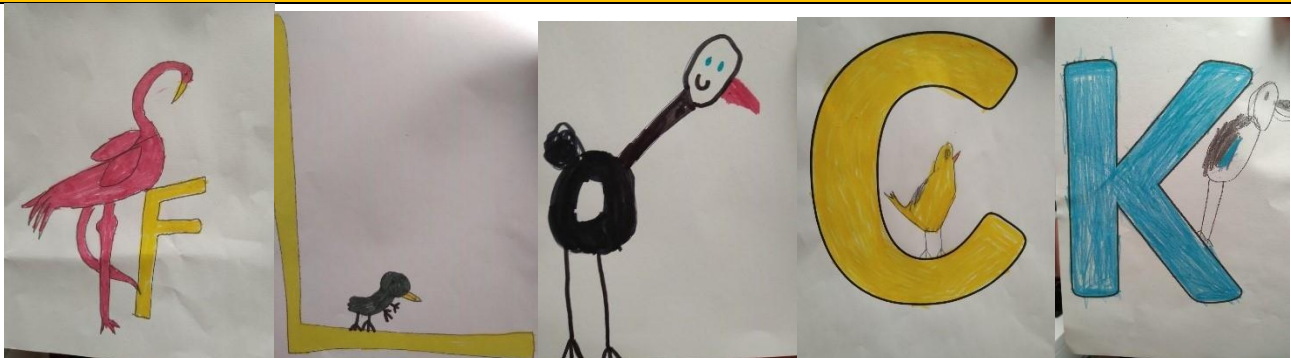
As you may know, Mrs Findlay who is based at Drayton Infants, leaves us today to begin her maternity leave. She has been managing the SEND work across our partnership and plans to return to do this following her leave. During the summer term, Mr Ian Tolson, an experienced SENDCo in our trust, will be overseeing this role and providing support to staff in school who are currently undertaking training to take on this role fully in September. I'd like to thank Mrs Findlay for her hard work and commitment and we look forward to welcoming her back. Our SEND team can be contacted via the following email:

[partnershipsenco@istnorfolk.co.uk](mailto:partnershipsenco@istnorfolk.co.uk)

Wishing you a wonderful weekend

Mrs Hutt, Mrs Boyce & The Nightingale Team

### FLOCK STARS OF THE WEEK – Keep Trying





## 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](mailto:Ldobson@istnorfolk.co.uk)

## School Vacancies

We currently have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor Assistant (MSA) within the school and we are also looking for 'bank' MSA staff. If you would be interested in either of these positions and would like further information please don't hesitate to contact the school office or speak with Mrs Arnold.

## Fund Raising

We have come across a great new and easy way to raise funds for our school through recycling used ink cartridges. We are working with a company called 'Empties Please'. They collect and recycle used ink and toner cartridges the environmentally friendly way and will donate the money raised back to the school. Collection bags have been sent home with the children and extra bags can be collected from the office when required. We can also extend this fund raising opportunity into your workplace on behalf of our school.

**Empties Please**  
Recycle 'INK CARTRIDGES' and raise £££'s for your school!

Empties Please Delivery! → Collect your recycle bag from school! → Take bag home!  
Fill the recycle bin in school! → Fill with cartridges → Ring us when its full!  
Empties Please! → We collect and pay your school! → \*THE SKY'S THE LIMIT\*

PUT US ON YOUR WEBSITE, FACEBOOK, TWITTER AND INCLUDE US IN YOUR NEWSLETTER.  
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Please visit our website for an up to date list of cartridges that we are able to accept.  
[www.emptiesplease.com](http://www.emptiesplease.com)

Empties Please Ltd - Company No: 1969773 VAT number: BE584649  
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THANK YOU FOR RECYCLING!

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

### EYFS



As you know this half term, we have been thinking about people who help us in the community, including fire-fighters, police officers and doctors and nurses. This week we have been focussing on local people in the community. We had a very successful visit to Taverham Library where Paul, the librarian showed us how the books were organised and read a story to us. Thanks to the parent helpers who helped us with the visit. Remember, if you are not a member of the library you can join for free and take out up to fifteen books!

We also had a visit from Mrs. Stubbs our cook who prepares all our lovely hot dinners and school packed lunches. She showed us her special thermometer that she uses to check that food is cooked and she brought the biggest tin of baked beans we have ever seen! Did you know that Mrs. Stubbs and her team prepare all the dinners for Chapel Break School as well? Nuthatch did some lovely sensory work with red lentils this week, moving them around to make patterns and marks. They also used the scales to investigate weighing objects which we will continue to learn about next week. Perhaps, at home you could compare the weight of tins and packets and even start to make a little shop. Remember just to use pennies for now - rampant inflation has not yet hit the world of infant teaching!


### Key Stage 1



This week in key stage one our English lessons have been focussed around how we can defeat the witch from the Rapunzel story. The children had fantastic ideas, which included; stealing her wand, building a trap, making a potion, giving her food with poison in and turning her to stone. Next, we thought about writing instructions about how to defeat a witch. We had a practise writing instructions about how to make a jam sandwich first.

Time

3. Joshua watches his favourite programme. It starts at 4 o'clock and finishes at quarter to 5. The adverts in the middle were 5 minutes long.



How long was the television programme?

In maths this week we have been learning about time. The children focussed on telling and drawing the time for o'clock, half past, quarter past, quarter to and in five-minute intervals on an analogue clock. We practised solving word problems involving time too.

In art we have been learning about the artist Paul Klee. We have compared his work to Pablo Picasso who we learn about last half term. We have experimented with drawing the school using shapes and making patterns. Our final piece of art will be a castle made with shapes, water colours and patterns.

## Dates for the diary

### March 2023

| March 2023 |            |  |
|------------|------------|--|
| Monday     | 27.03.2023 | Friends Event – Launch of the Easter Competition – “Mad as a March Hare” hat/bonnet activity.                                |
| Thursday   | 30.03.2023 | KS1 Cross Country (16 children attending)  |
| Friday     | 31.03.2023 | KS1 Visiting Taverham Church (If you are able to help us walk to the church and back, please see your child’s class teacher) |
| Friday     | 31.03.2023 | Friends Event – Peter Rabbit movie (KS1) or Peter Rabbit episode (EYFS)  |
| Friday     | 31.03.2023 | School closes for Easter holiday   |

| April 2023       |                   |   |
|------------------|-------------------|---|
| Tuesday          | 18.04.2023        | School re-opens for Summer term   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>18.04.2023</b> | <b>Year R – height &amp; weight / vision and hearing screening – PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FROM 05.06.2023</b> |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>19.04.2023</b> | <b>Year R – height &amp; weight / vision and hearing screening – PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FROM 06.06.2023</b> |
| 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        | <b>Vancols – Group School Photos – please note CHANGE OF DATE FROM 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE</b>                      |
| 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

White dates - schools open to pupils  
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# 2022-2023

## Norfolk Model Calendar

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