

# Nightingale Infant and Nursery School Weekly Newsletter 28.04.2023

Dear Nightingale Families,

We are getting ready for the Coronation – the library is looking amazing with royal bunting and a timeline of the life of King Charles. Not long to go now

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lluG0cwUD6U</u> this is a link to the beautiful song the children have been learning.



# King's Coronation Street party - Non Uniform Day

To celebrate the King's coronation, on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May we are inviting all children to come to school 'dressed to impress!' We will be having a street party on the playground.

Next week we will be closed on Monday for the May Day Bank Holiday and the school will be closed to all but Nuthatch and Raven classes (the same as this week) on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May for the day of Industrial action. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hutt, Mrs Boyce & The Nightingale Team

#### **FLOCK STARS OF THE WEEK**



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Listening and Learning Flock Stars



# **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 at the email address below. Ldobson@istnorfolk.co.uk

# **Mr Pyatt**

This is Mr Pyatt. You may have seen Mr Pyatt around the grounds. He is a new member of our site management team working with Mr Lacaille. Mr Pyatt will be at Nightingale every morning. His homework this week is to think of 5 facts about himself.



### **School Council Sunflowers for the RSPCA**



# **COMPETITION TIME**

The School Council are running a sunflower competition. Please send in a named plastic pot and a £1! Each seed is £1. Have as many as you would like eg £10 is 10 seeds. School Council will fill the pot with soil and the seed/s. The start day of the competition will be the Friday we break up for half term. The competition will be judged in September by sending in a photo of your sunflower with measurements even if you are at Junior School! We will have a prize for everyone with winners in every class – from the classes this school year.

This competition is fun but also supports our Science Curriculum:

#### **Early Learning Goals**

Children at the expected level of development will:

• Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants;

Pupils should be taught to:

#### Year 1

- \* Identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees
- \* Identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees.

#### Year 2

- \*observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants
- \*find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.

### **After School Clubs**



Just a reminder that we are hosting an after-school tennis club on Tuesday evening run by the National Tennis Association. Please see the attached flyer for booking details.



Nightingale Gazelles started this week and it was a huge success. Please email the office if you would like your child to join the club. All welcome. 8:20 am Wednesday morning at the front door.

# **New school council members**

We have some new school councillors for the Summer Term and beyond One of the new members was so thrilled she told us that 'her birthday wish had come true'



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

**EYFS** 





This week in EYFS we have started our new book 'Wiggling Worms at Work' by Wendy Pfeffer. Thank you for all the jam jar donations, we have been using them to make our own wormery's! It was lots of fun digging around our school garden to find lots of wriggling worms! They are all enjoying living in their new cosy jam jars, filled with plenty of sand and soil. The children have been getting creative with paper this week, making their own concertina worm puppets and spiral worm decorations. We have also made lots of wriggly playdough worms exploring measures by making our worms long, short, fat and thin. Some of us created wriggly worm prints using string and paint. The children also decided to make scarecrows outside to keep those pesky birds away from our worms! We have all thought about our big question 'Are worms yucky or lovely?' and placed our names on a scale of 1 – 10. We have also completed a class survey and collected our data to find out how many children like worms.

Key Stage 1



This week in key stage one we have continued exploring our book 'The Last Wolf'. We have explored different versions of Little Red Riding Hood, ordered the story and retold the story in our own words. We tried to use lots of the story language, time words and adjectives in our own writing as well as full stops, capital letters and finger spaces. In maths this week we have been looking at addition and subtraction. The children practised using a tens and ones grid to solve the addition and subtraction number sentences and word problems. We also looked at some two step word problems where we needed to work out if

In science we have been planting seeds in a variety of different conditions and will be observing over the next few weeks how this affects their growth. One seed will have everything (light, water, warmth, soil), one will have no water, one will be in the dark and one will be in the cold (fridge). We have predicted what we think will happen to each seed.

we had to add or subtract, or sometimes both, to find the answer.

# Dates for the diary

		May 2023
Friday	05.05.2023	King's Coronation Event
Friday	26.05.2023	School closes for half term
,		Start watering your sunflower
		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.
Tuesday	06.06.2023	New Reception intake – Parents Information Evening – 6.00pm
Thursday	08.06.2023	New Reception Intake – Stay & Play Session (with parents) 3.30pm
Friday	16.06.2023	Friends Event – Father's Day cake sale - after school.
Friday	23.06.2023	Vancols – Group School Photos – please note <b>CHANGE OF DATE FROM 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE</b>
Friday	30.06.2023	KS1 Athletics (10 children attending)
		July 2023
Wednesday	05.07.2023	Year 2 @ Taverham Junior School – Transition Days (more information to follow)
Wednesday	03.07.2023	Reception and Year 1 Transition Day – Moving up to new classes
Thursday	06.07.2023	Year 2 @ Taverham Junior School – Transition Days (more information to follow)
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	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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#### Norfolk Model Calendar

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