



Nightingale Infant and Nursery School

Weekly Newsletter

19.05.2023

Dear Nightingale Families,

We've had a great week in school...from classroom moves, to SATS in Year 2, to visits from a Dentist and lots of day to day learning (more information below).

Kingfisher class have been amazing over the past few weeks while they've had to learn in a different room. Now they're back in their classroom, they can continue to work alongside Nuthatch, sharing their learning spaces and the adults who support their learning. I had the pleasure of spending lunchtime in Nuthatch this week. Their manners and behaviour was outstanding!

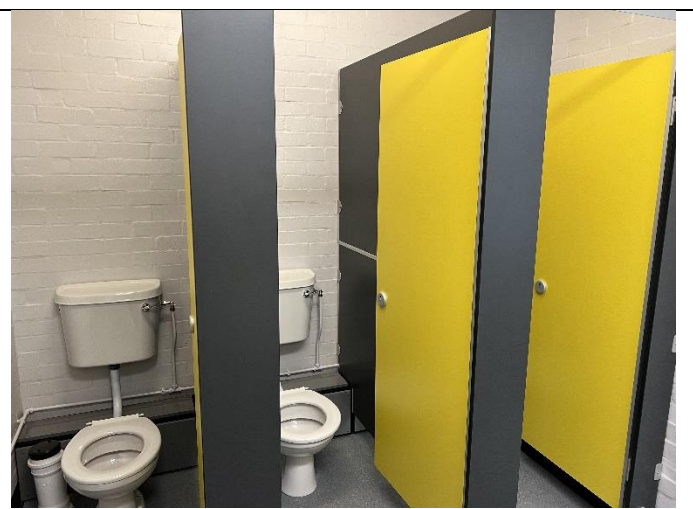
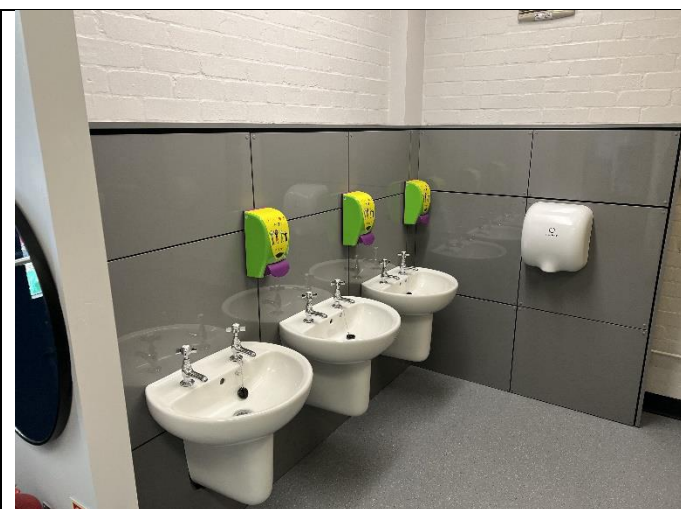
Year 2 children continue to work hard and amaze us in their completion of the SATS tasks. They've shown great resilience and true 'can do' attitudes. The Year 1 phonics screening is taking place in June. The children are assessed throughout the year, with the most recent assessment taking place this week. We are amazed at the hard work and progress they have made. We are very proud of them and they are extremely proud of themselves too!

The weather is finally changing and it appears summer is finally on the way! We've been enjoying the field more this week with the drier weather. Please could we remind you of the importance of still sending your child to school with a coat/raincoat every day. The weather is ever changing, and we do still go outside if the rain isn't too heavy.

We're looking forward to our last week of the half term next week. Due to the short half term and the number of disruptions, Year 1 and Year 2 will be continuing their current learning theme into the first week after half term. We will share the new overviews and knowledge organisers with families at the end of the first week, ready for the final 6 weeks before the summer.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Hutt & The Nightingale Team

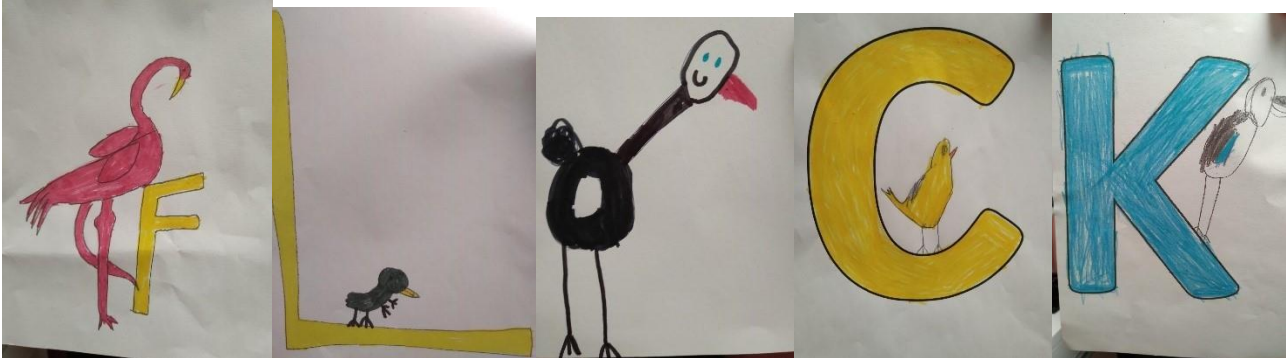


New toilets in Kingfisher Class

Kingfisher class were excited to be back in their classroom this week after being 'rehomed' for the past few weeks while their toilets were refurbished.

Mr Tame, our Trust Site Manager, has been working tirelessly to get these finished as soon as possible. As you will be aware, school budgets are more challenging than ever so opportunities to improve the school site can be limited. The school is provided with a small amount of money each year from the government for essential repairs. Mr Tame's time has enabled us to refurbish both the Key Stage 1 toilets and now Kingfisher toilets due to only needing to purchase the materials. Mr Tame's time is provided by the trust, meaning we have been able to rapidly improve many areas of the school such as redecoration of classrooms, repairs to the school roof, new fencing and refurbished toilets. His next project in the coming months is to completely refurbish the school mobile and build a low climbing wall on the field for the children, which will both provide more opportunities at playtime and lunchtime.

FLOCK STARS OF THE WEEK



The children had a very busy assembly this morning celebrating this week's achievements. We captured some great photos to share with you:





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

Sports Week

The first week back after half term (5.6.23) is sports week. We have lots of exciting activities planned to include, a climbing wall, dance, outdoor activities with Taverham Junior School pupils, Cricket and our sponsored event (sponsor forms were sent home in book bags last week). Please send your child to school in comfortable PE clothes and trainers all week. We understand that it may not be possible to wash and wear school PE kit every day so any sports clothes will be acceptable. Please see Mrs Hart if you have any questions. Thank you.

Timings and attendance

We've seen a huge improvement in children arriving to school on time. Please could we remind you of the current times for Nightingale. The school gate is opened a couple of minutes before 8.45 to allow the nursery children to come in on time. We kindly ask that parents of children in the main school try to arrive after 8.45.


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8.50am	Doors open (8.45 for Nursery)
9.00am	Doors locked – Register Taken
9.00-9.10am	Children arriving at this time must come to the school office where they will be marked as late, with the number of minutes recorded in the register.
9.10am onwards	Children arriving after this time will be marked as absent with the number of minutes late recorded in the register.
13.00	Afternoon register taken

Nursery Invoicing

From September, we will be releasing our updated invoicing system so that you receive your invoices monthly. The system will be more automated and more frequent, which we feel will be a better fit with most parents as it will coincide with paydays and/or Childcare Voucher schemes.

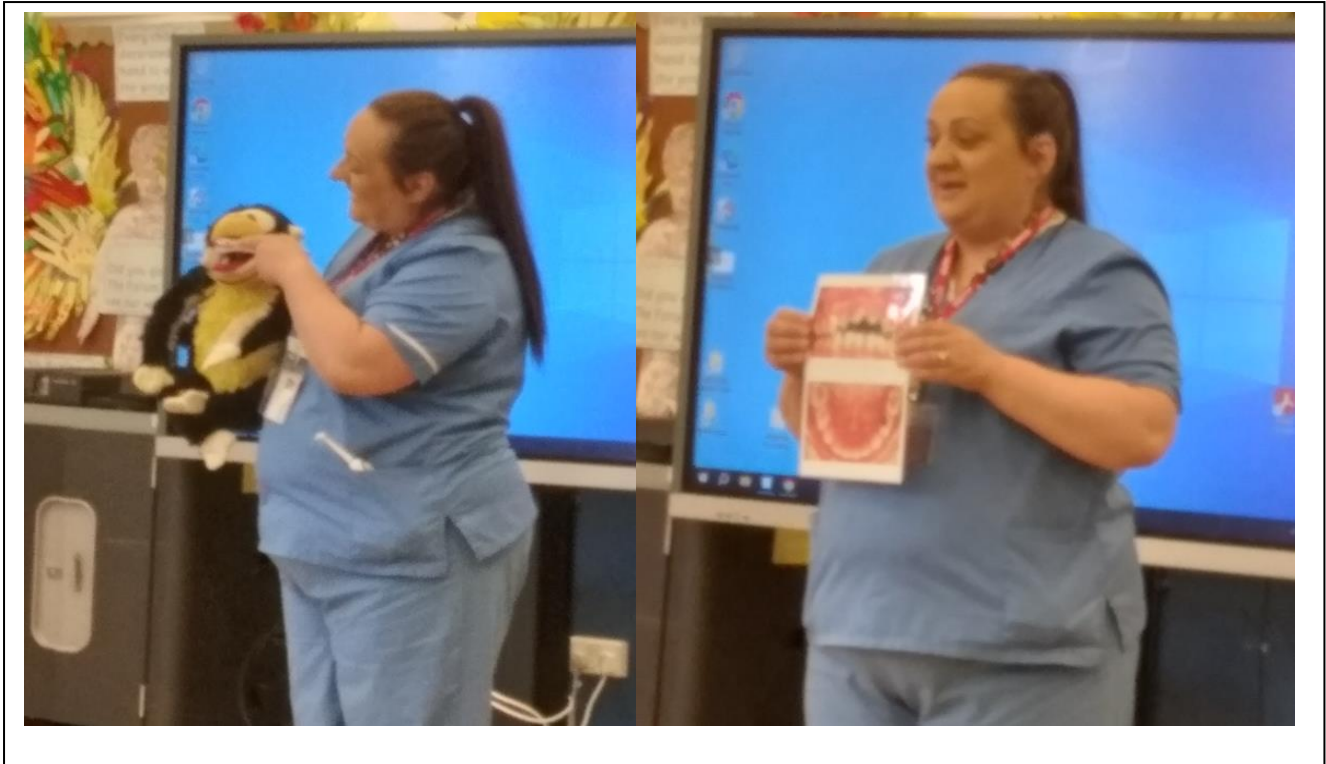
The invoices will look slightly different, displaying a timetable of the booked sessions for your child(ren) and an example of this is shown below:

Harbourne Primary Wraparound Care								
Madeleine Bailey 17 Strathconon Road Bedford MK41 0NF			Child Name: Liam Bailey Account Number: BAIL03P Online Reg. Code: 0EAECSCE-0A9D-4FB0-BA48-B382D720BDF9 Invoice Date: January 2023 Printed Date: 16/05/2023					
W/C 02/01/2023	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Total		
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Breakfast	n/a £0.00	n/a £0.00	n/a £0.00	n/a £2.50	n/a £2.50	£5.00		
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Total Hours:						82.50		
Total Fees:						£253.00		
Total Extras:						£55.00		
Total Period:						£308.00		
Already Owed:						£6,712.50		
Paid:						£0.00		
Total Due:						£7,020.50		

Should you have any questions regarding this change, please contact Stephanie Arnold at partnershipfinance@istnorfolk.co.uk.

Dentist Assembly - PSHE

This week we had a brilliant dentist, Chloe, come to visit us for a very special assembly. We learned all about how to look after our teeth. We took a quiz on which foods are healthy or unhealthy for our teeth, learned about brushing our teeth twice each day for 2 minutes, and even saw how to brush them properly with the help of a VERY cheeky monkey! Chloe showed the children photos of what can happen to our teeth if we don't take care of them.



Half Term Holiday Tennis Camps & After School Tennis Club

The National Tennis Association is running Half-Term Holiday Tennis Camps at our local tennis venue. Action packed holiday camps with team challenges, tennis skills, games and prizes. All equipment is provided and no previous experience necessary. Please see the attached flyer for booking details.

After School Tennis Club - A fun introduction to tennis, available to all children in Years R-2. Pupils will learn about all the tennis shots, improve their footwork, balance and coordination skills and have lots of fun! The confirmed dates for the after school tennis club next half-term will be Tuesday 6th June - Tuesday 11th July (6 weeks). Please see the attached flyer for booking information.

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

EYFS



This week we finally got to meet the strange creature that is the Bog Baby. We saw its round blue body, its spiky tail, its mouse-like ears and its toes that it likes to suck! We made some models of the Bog Baby using blue playdough, straws, pipe-cleaners, feathers and googly eyes. They were awesome! We learnt a lot from the book about keeping promises and how to care for animals. We all like looking at bugs and mini-beasts and we might want to put them in a pot and take them home but remember to always quickly return animals to their micro-habitats where they like to live. Nursery children have really enjoyed the book and have made an amazing Bog Baby display. They are going to continue to explore the themes and ideas from this lovely book next week.

In maths we have become so good at finding number bonds to five that we have moved on to finding two numbers that, added together, make ten. We have used our sausages game on the white board to help us with this. But we have burnt so many sausages! Please don't tell Mrs. Stubbs, or she might not cook any of her delicious butcher's best chipolatas for us!

Key Stage 1



In key stage one this week we have continued to learn about wolves. We wrote our wolf facts in four sections, appearance, diet, habitat and family. Did you know... wolves live for about eight years in the wild but up to twenty years in captivity and wolves can run thirty-six to thirty-eight miles per hour. The children tried very hard to include capital letters, full stops and conjunctions (and, so, but, because) in their writing.

In maths this week we have been learning about repeating shape patterns, direction and position. The children enjoyed describing where the teddy was sitting e.g. on the chair, under the chair, beside the chair, behind the chair, in between the chair and the box. This is a good game to play at home to support your child with using the appropriate language to describe position.

In art we have continued looking at the work of Barbara Hepworth. We have experimented moulding the clay, joining two pieces of clay together, making a hole in the clay and making different textures on the clay. Next, we designed our own sculptures in our sketch books and finally we have started to make our sculptures.

Dates for the diary

May 2023		
Friday	26.05.2023	Ollie Day Road Safety Roadshow Assembly for Reception and KS1
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.
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.
Thursday	22.06.2023	Kingfisher class trip to BugzUK
Friday	23.06.2023	Vancols – Group School Photos – please note CHANGE OF DATE FROM 8TH JUNE
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) 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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2022-2023

Norfolk Model Calendar

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