



Nightingale Infant and Nursery School



Weekly Newsletter 26.05.2023

Dear Nightingale Families,

We have had a jam-packed week at Nightingale this week! Thank you for your support and kindness towards the team during our Ofsted inspection. We were excited to welcome the inspectors into our school to show them the progress the school has made over recent years. The report should be published within 15 working days (minus half term), so we hope to be able to share it with you as soon as possible.

This half term's Flockstar of the Half Term assembly will be held on the first Friday back of next half term as children's learning is continuing on the same theme and as a result of the disruption of bank holidays and strike action. We can't wait to celebrate the success of our children again. Knowledge organisers and parent plans will be shared in week 2 once the new themes begin.

Next half term will be a busy 7 weeks. As well as lots of learning and celebrations towards the end of the year, we will be spending time preparing the children for their stage; whether that be a new class or a move to another school. Information regarding new classes and staffing will be shared once these are finalised. This will likely be 2-3 weeks before the end of term.

Now the summer seems to finally be with us, we wish you a great half term and look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 5th June.

Mrs Hutt, Mrs Boyce & The Nightingale Team

Ollie Day Road Safety Roadshow!



As part of our PSHE curriculum, we invited Ollie Day to come and wow the children with his road safety magic show. The children enjoyed an exciting experience whilst learning all about how to keep themselves safe near roads.

Pastoral Support

Mrs Dobson, our family liaison advisor, oversees and can 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

GROW YOUR OWN SUNFLOWER



Thank you for buying sunflower seeds. We have a few left if you would like a pot soil and seed for £1. Please send photos of your growing plant to school via WEDUC. We can't wait to see who grows the tallest sunflower.

CLUBS

Nightingale Gazelles and Nightingale Glee are starting the first Wednesday back after school.



KS1 Art exhibition



KS1 parents...

*You are invited to
our art exhibition*

*Please come and see our art, inspired by Barbara
Hepworth, on Tuesday 13th June at 2:45*



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

EYFS



In EYFS this week the Nuthatch children have continued learning about Bog Baby and where he lives. They have explored pond animals and thought about the life cycle of a frog. The Kingfishers have read another traditional tale this week, The Frog Prince. We have enjoyed making our own frog princes by carefully cutting circles of different sizes and adding a very sparkly crown. We have also explored colour mixing, experimenting with different shades of green by mixing blue and yellow to paint a frog. Some of us even had a go at writing speech bubbles for the frog or the princess, thinking carefully about how they were feeling at different points in the story.

In maths, Nuthatch have been practicing their careful counting skills, remembering to say 1 number for each object they count. The Kingfishers have been exploring capacity this week, counting animals into pots of different sizes and measuring how many cups of water it takes to fill various buckets and measuring cylinders. We hope you all have a wonderful half term, and look forward to seeing you after the holiday! As the weather is warming up, please ensure that children return to school with an appropriate sun hat and apply sun cream in the morning before school.

Key Stage 1



In key stage one this week we have thought about a forest which is the setting in our book 'The Last Wolf'. We watched a video clip of a forest and used our senses to describe what we could see, hear, smell and touch. Next, we used these ideas to write a descriptive poem with a partner. The children had excellent ideas, which included 'I can see the tall, swaying trees. I can hear the whistling wind blowing the crunchy leaves. I can feel the rough, bumpy bark. I can smell the fresh morning air. Finally, we performed our poems to the rest of the class.

In maths this week we have been learning about fractions of a quantity. Year 1's have been learning how to half and quarter numbers using physical objects and sharing circles. Year 2's have recapped these alongside learning thirds and three quarters, using bar models.

We have enjoyed our art unit this half term, exploring the work of Barbara Hepworth. We have now all made our own mini sculptures using clay, making sure we include holes (just like Barbara Hepworth!), curved lines, different textures and joining at least two parts together. The children's creativity has really shone!

Dates for the diary

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
Tuesday	13.06.2023	KS1 Art Exhibition in hall – 2:45pm
Friday	16.06.2023	Friends Event – Father's Day cake sale - after school.
Monday	19.06.2023	Whole school sports day (excluding Nuthatch Nursery) - 9.15am
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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