

Nightingale Infant and Nursery School Weekly Newsletter 16.06.2023

Dear Nightingale Families,

It's been a very warm week this week in school! Thank you to everyone for ensuring your child has a sunhat and is covered in suncream for school. Next week the weather is forecast to be as warm but with some showers. Please could we remind you that children need to have a raincoat in school each day so we can continue to go outside in light rain.

Well done to the Year 1 and Year 2 children who took part in the phonics screening check this week. This is a statutory requirement for all Year 1 children to complete and meet a Government set standard. The children are required to read a set of real and nonsense words, using their phonic knowledge. Children in Year 2 who didn't meet the standard in Year 1 are required to retake this. We are so proud of all of children who showed the enormous progress they have made. Parents will be informed of their child's score alongside their annual report which will be sent home at the end of term.

We are busy organising things for September and are aware many parents having begun to think about classes and transition. As Year 2 parents will be aware, there are many things which have begun for the Year 2 children to support their transition to Junior School. On Thursday the Year 3 staff came to NIANS to speak to the children and answer some of the questions they had. They then spent time after school meeting the teachers to discuss classes and the support individuals may need moving up to year 3. Many more transition arrangements for Year 2 and stay and play sessions for our new reception children continue in the coming weeks. The dates can be found below.

Parents who have been with us in recent years will be aware of the changes to class structures due to changes in pupil numbers. We currently have 3 classes in Key Stage 1 which is made up of a mix of Year 1 and Year 2 children. With class numbers changing again, we will be moving to 2 classes in Key Stage 1 in September. One class of Year 1 and one class of Year 2. They will continue to follow our mixed-age curriculum and work in mixed-age groups for lessons such as phonics.

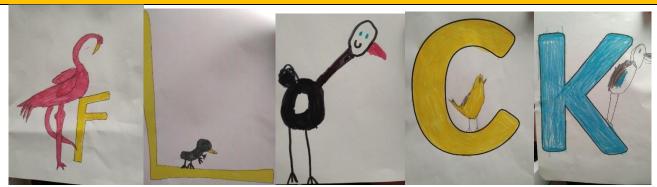
Parents and children will be told the name of their teacher and where their new classroom will in the week of 'move up day' which is week beginning 3rd July.

Lastly, we have been asked by a number of parents about the release of the Ofsted report. Unfortunately, while I have seen the draft report, I am still awaiting the final report to be sent so I can share it with staff and parents. I will ensure this is shared with you as soon as possible.

We wish you a great weekend and look forward to seeing you Monday!

Mrs Hutt & The Nightingale Team

FLOCK STARS OF THE WEEK







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

Reminder - Menu Change

Please be aware that w/c 19th June there will be a menu change on both Monday and Tuesday. Following on from the fun of Sports day the children will be enjoying a 'Feast on the Field' with lunch served in 'takeaway' packaging and enjoyed 'alfresco'!

The kitchen have confirmed they are still happy to offer a school packed lunch choice on Monday also.

Monday 19th June 2023

Hot Dog – pork or quorn sausage, Chips, tomato sauce and crunchy vegetable sticks & Ice Cream Tub **Tuesday 20**th **June 2023**

Margherita pizza with tomato pasta salad / Mild Teriyaki Quorn with noodles, sweetcorn (V) & Orange Cupcake

School Sports Day (excluding Nuthatch Nursery)

On Monday 19th June 2023 we invite you to join us and enjoy sports day with your child. The event will start at 9.15 am. After you have dropped your child off for school, please make your way onto the middle of the school field, where you will be able to follow your child / children around the six organised events. We expect this to last under an hour.

Please can all children come to school in PE kit, with a sunhat and suncream already on.

Thank you

Mrs Hart

Nuthatch Sports Day

The Nuthatch Nursery are hosting their sports day on Thursday 29th June from 9.30am until 10.15am. Can the children please wear sporty comfy clothes, trainers and bring water bottles and sun hats. The event will involve a number of activity stations for the children to participate in whilst their parents can watch and encourage. All Nuthatch children and parents are welcome to watch. If your child doesn't attend Nursery on a Thursday they can still come along at 9.30am to take part and then can leave with their adult. Those attending Nursery on Thursday should come to school at normal time and will be collected at normal time.

Fundraising with Tesco

We have been accepted into the Tesco tokens scheme, which is great news and means the partnership will receive a minimum of £500, up to £1500!

From the start of July to the end of September we will have a token collection point in Taverham Express, the large Drayton Store, Acres Way Express & Hethersett Express.

We will need everyone's help please:

- If you're in Tesco please put a token in our box
- Spread the word please ask everyone you know to support us, we need as many tokens as we can get

Community Events



Dear parents next **Saturday 24th June 2023** the annual Taverham Fayre will be hosted on the Sandy Lane playing field (behind the village hall.) The all day event includes Arena performances from local community groups – sports, dance. They showcase all the amazing things their organisations achieve and some of our pupils are active members. There is also live music. For the children there are sponsored rides and entertainment all day which are totally **free** – a giant play trailer and the children's entertainment arena including such activities as: Bubbles & Balloons / Balloon Modelling / Football Frenzy / Rocket Launching / Hula Hoop Fun / Circus Skills Workshop / Snowtime / Anything Goes Show time / Space Hopper Disco. There will also be a wristband 'pay once and play all day' inflatable play zone. And so much more........



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

EYFS





This week in EYFS the children have continued their learning of 'The Billy Goats Gruff'. We have painted trolls and goats using fine paintbrushes and handprints. We have cut around large green circles to create our own troll faces, adding features such as 'wonky yellow teeth' and 'green pointy ears'. In literacy The Kingfishers have continued using describing words to make wanted posters of the Troll. The Nuthatch children have been listening to words beginning with 'g' and 'm'. In maths the Kingfishers have been using rekenreks to make numbers up to 10 by adding different amounts to 5. The Nuthatch children have been comparing groups of farm animals, saying which farm has more or less. All the children have had lots of fun practicing for sports day this week! It has been very hot so we have enjoyed spending time in the shade on the glade! The children have used various PE equipment to create their own games and obstacle courses remembering to take turns and share. Please remember to bring your named sun hats in again next week! Have a lovely weekend.

Key Stage 1



What another busy week in Key Stage one! The Year 2's asked some amazing questions at the assembly with the Year 3 teachers on Thursday afternoon. It was lovely to start meeting the faces of staff they will get to know at Junior school.

In our learning, we have been recapping 2d and 3d shapes in maths, look at similarities, differences and properties.

We have started our Geography unit for this half term, looking at continents and oceans all around the world. For both we have learnt a song, ask your children if they can sing it to you!

In English, we have started our new unit looking at The Storm Whale. We have met the main character Noi and his dad and have been designing games for him to play. We have also been making inferences as to what characters might be thinking.

Dates for the diary

| | | June 2023 |
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| Thursday | 15.06.2023 | Visit from Taverham Junior School to Nightingale (transition activity) |
| 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 | 23.06.2023 | SEN visit to Taverham Junior School (transition activity) |
| Thursday | 29.06.2023 | Year 2 visit to Taverham Junior School – multisports, lunch and music event. (transition activities) |
| Friday | 30.06.2023 | KS1 Athletics (10 children attending) |

| | | July 2023 |
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| Tuesday | 04.07.2023 | KS1 trip to Banham Zoo |
| 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 |

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