

# Nightingale Infant and Nursery School Weekly Newsletter 09.06.2023

### Dear Nightingale Families,



Welcome back to the final half term this year. This week has been a great way to start a new half term. We have had such a range of sporting activities taking place including activities run by Taverham Junior School Sports Leaders, Cricket, dance and the amazing climbing wall. We have also completed our sponsored event. Please return your sponsor forms if you have not done so already. The children have also enjoyed learning about different types of sports and what they need to be healthy.

An enormous thank you to Mrs Hart, our PE lead, who has spent months planning and organising the week.

The children and staff have thoroughly enjoyed themselves and learnt some new skills along the way.

### School Hours

As you will be aware, the Government announced the expectation that from September, all schools are required to open for 6.5 hours per day. The school, in collaboration with the schools in Taverham and Drayton, have been consulting as both the Infant and Junior need to increase from their current hours.

From September, our school day for all year groups will be:

Opening times 8.45-3.15

Gates will open at 8.35am - Classroom doors will open from 8.45am to 8.55am

Children must be in school by 8.55am. Our attendance policy will reflect these changes from September.

\*Nursery hours for morning, afternoon and lunch sessions remain the same

We have ensured this works alongside the Junior hours, so parents have time to drop off/collect siblings who attend both schools.

Wishing you an enjoyable weekend in the sunshine!

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



If anybody practices the Hindu faith (or knows someone who would be willing to come into school) and share their experiences with KS1 in line with our RE topic this half term, please see Miss Rayner in Ravens. Many thanks!

### **Sports Day**

On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

### Menu Change

Please be aware that w/c 19<sup>th</sup> 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'!

### Monday 19th June 2023

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

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

	Learning taking place in our classes this week & key messages!
EYFS	On your marks! Get set! Go! Phew! What an exhausting but exciting Sports Week we have had. On Wednesday you might have seen a tall tower appearing on our field and wondered what it was. It was a climbing tower and amazingly some of Kingfisher Class got to the top and rang the bell. All of Kingfisher Class did their own, personal best and showed amazing co- ordination, perseverance and problem-solving skills. On Thursday we did dance with Lorraine Theobald. We danced to a funky drum beat and got to wear beautiful masks and showed great expression and creativity. On Friday we got to learn some of the skills required to play cricket including batting and fielding. Who knows, perhaps there is a future Ben Stokes or Heather Knight somewhere in Kingfisher Class! Throughout the week we have been doing our sponsored event. The 'pass the hoop round the circle' was, probably, the trickiest event but the 'star jumps' were definitely the most strenuous. Thank you to all the parents, family members and friends who sponsored children. Amongst all this activity we also started work on our new book, "The Three Billy Goats Gruff". Interestingly, this was not a story that all the children were familiar with. It is a good opportunity to discuss conflict resolution – why was the Troll being so mean? Did the Big Billy Goat have to butt him into the water? How else could the y have solved their differences? We read one version of the story where the goats and the Troll learned to be friends. See if you can discuss these ideas with your child to help solve little arguments at home or at school.
Key Stage 1	What an amazing week we have had in key stage one. We started the week with the year two children taking part in a variety of activities run by the sports leaders at Taverham Junior School. The excitement around the school when the climbing wall arrived on Tuesday was so lovely to see. Many children climbed to the top and rang the bell. We talked about it doesn't matter how high you got up the wall just be proud of yourself for trying your best. On Thursday we welcomed back Lorraine Theobald a multicultural dance and music teacher. The children loved wearing the head dresses and playing the instruments. Finally, the sun came out on Friday and we took part in cricket skills on the field. During the week we also completed the sponsored event, there were six fun activities; climb the ladder, penguin shuffle, pass the hoop, star jumps, bunny hops, pass the ball. In class the children have learnt about a variety of sports and what we need to be healthy. We are now looking forward to a rest this weekend, however, there will be some more sporting opportunities before the term ends!

## Dates for the diary

	June 2023							
Tuesday	13.06.2023	KS1 Art Exhibition in hall – 2.45pm						
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						
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						
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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# Norfolk County Council 2022-2023

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