

Nightingale Infant and Nursery School

Weekly Newsletter

15.09.2023

Reminder of School Day Hours

Please be reminded of the change to our school opening hours from today as shared with you last term.

8.40am	Gates Open
8.45am	Nursery & Reception classroom doors open Year 1 and Year 2 – Bell ringing signals children to line up
8.55am	Classroom doors close & Gates locked Anyone arriving after this time must sign in at the office
3.15pm	End of the school day for all classes Gates will be opened at 3.05pm

What we are learning in school...

Knowledge organisers – you will have received a copy of your child's knowledge organiser for this half term. The purpose of these is to share the themes of learning in the coming weeks, key vocabulary your child will be learning/revisiting and some ideas of things you could try at home. Vocabulary is a core part of learning new things and we strongly encourage as much practice of these words as possible.

Home learning are suggestions of things children could do at home. We kindly ask that any home learning is physically brought into school so it can be shared with the class and used as part of our learning in school. Home learning can be brought into school at any point during the half term, with children choosing how many pieces they do and which ones they are interested in.

Year 1 and Year 2 – Subject overviews. They show what is being taught in each of the subjects this half term. This should support discussions at home with you child about their learning and give you a flavour of what will be covered.

We have recently had our website redesigned and are in the process of uploading these plans along with more materials to support learning at home.

FLOCKSTARS of the week - fair



Parking

Please could I remind all those who travel to school by car about safe and thoughtful parking. We have had a number of local residents and Nightingale families who have expressed their concern regarding the parking at pick up and drop off times.

We are extremely fortunate to have parking facilities so close to the school at the village hall and we strongly encourage you to use these like many families do. If you are parking on Nightingale Drive, please ensure this is done safely, off double yellow lines and grass verges, away from the main school gates and ensuring you are not double parking/blocking those who are parked in the layby.

Residents have been advised to contact the police with any concerns. We will also continue to monitor the situation and report any concerns.

Nursery Invoices

The first Nursery invoices via the new invoicing system have been issued this week. As with any new system, there are some wrinkles to iron out so I would like to thank you for your feedback so far, this is so helpful.

First and foremost, we have added our bank details to the invoices which are

Bank Name - Inclusive Schools Trust T/A Nightingale Infant and Nursery School

Sort Code: 30-96-17

Account Number: 88571568

We would also like to let you know that we accept Tax Free Childcare Vouchers. The invoices will be issued as close to the 1st of the month as possible each month and so should be cleared prior to the following month's invoicing period.

Mrs Arnold is working hard to amend any invoices where she has been notified of an issue and these will be reissued shortly.

In the meantime, thank you again for your patience and support and please contact the office with any queries.

Friend Meeting

Reminder – there is a Friends meeting after school on Friday 22nd September. It would be great to see as many people there as possible so we can vote in roles and begin planning for the year. If you are unable to arrange childcare for your school age children, we're happy for them to come along and be supervised playing while we meet.

Dates for the diary

We are currently working hard to finalise all our dates up to the end of term. We aim to share these with you next week as we appreciate how important it is for you to have as much notice as possible.

September 2023		
Monday	18.09.2023	Nuthatch Nursery Open Morning – 10.00am to 11.00am
Wednesday	20.09.2023	School Photographs – Vancols
Friday	22.09.2023	Friends Meeting – 3.15pm after school

October 2023		
Friday	13.10.2023	Year 1 and 2 Tag Rugby Festival (10 children, names TBC)
Tuesday	17.10.2023	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Golf Taster (All children to wear PE kit please)
November 2023		
Wednesday	01.11.2023	Year 1 and 2 Cross Country (16 children, names TBC)
Tuesday	14.11.2023	Nursery, Reception, Year1 and Year 2 Master Wayne SESMA Taster (All children to wear PE kit please)
March 2024		
Monday	04.03.2024	Year 1 and 2 Cricket Festival (10 children, names TBC)
Wednesday	27.03.2024	Year 1 and 2 Adapted Sports 4 All (names TBC)
April 2024		
Tuesday	16.04.2024	Year R - NCMP with Vision and Hearing Screening
Wednesday	17.04.2024	Year R - NCMP with Vision and Hearing Screening
June 2024		
Monday - Friday	03.06.2024 - 07.06.2024	Whole School Sports Week (Please come in PE kit all week)
Friday	14.06.2024	Year 1 and 2 Athletics Festival (10 children, names TBC)
July 2024		
Friday	12.07.2024	EYFS Tennis Multiskills Festival (10 children, names TBC)

Term dates



Norfolk County Council

2023-2024

Norfolk Model Calendar

This calendar applies to community schools, community special schools, VC schools and nursery schools and sets the days on which school transport will be provided. While most Foundation, VA, foundation special, free schools and academy trusts who are able to set their own dates, adopt the Norfolk Model, we advise you to check with your child's school before making holiday or other commitments.

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Key : White dates - schools open to pupils
 Yellow dates - pupil holiday
 Red dates - bank holiday

Five staff training days will be selected from yellow dates, we suggest 4th & 5th September, 3 January, 28th March and 22 July. Some may choose to use twilight hours for staff training instead of some or all of these.