

# Nightingale Infant and Nursery School

## Weekly Newsletter

### 16.09.2024



Dear Nightingale Families,

I hope you have all had an enjoyable weekend. Last week was full speed ahead with the children's learning and I have already seen some amazing phonics, writing and maths lessons. PE and other curriculum subjects are also well under way and over the next two weeks you will be receiving some more information from class teachers about what the children are learning about in school.

I have particularly been impressed with how kind and caring the children at Nightingale are and how well they all look after not only each other, but the staff as well – and that includes me! So many children have come up to me to chat to me at break and lunchtime and introduce themselves. They have also been quick to help me when I've not known things like who puts the benches away at the end of assembly! I want to say a big thank you to all the children for being absolute kindness superstars!

It was so lovely to see both Reception classes as a full class today and the children have settled in beautifully. They have really enjoyed seeing some new faces and making even more friends.

Have a great week,

Mrs Kingsley

### Reception Parents

There is a meeting for current Reception parents at 2:30pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September to welcome you to Nightingale and to chat to you about what the autumn term looks like in Reception, including phonics, maths and other areas of learning including tapestry. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible next week.



### Allergy Awareness

Please can we remind you that we have several children and staff with allergies in school, which include tree nuts. With this in mind, please can you ensure your child does not bring collections of nuts into school, including acorns and conkers.



### Harvest

Today, the Reverend Jill visited the Year 1 and Year 2 assembly to talk about Harvest. The children enjoyed hearing the Reverend Jill's story, listened respectfully and came up with lots of good ideas to share about giving and receiving gifts. I am sure they will enjoy taking part in the Harvest Festival at the church on 16<sup>th</sup> October.

We are collecting tins, dried food and donations for the local foodbank this half term in time for Harvest. This is a time of year when people come together as a community to share and give thanks for what we have. It is an opportunity to help others who are less fortunate and promote our FLOCK values – C – Care for ourselves, each other and the world.

More information will follow about the collection and the Harvest Festival for Key Stage 1 in next week's newsletter.



## Who's Who

### MEET OUR STAFF



**Mrs Hutt**

I love Disney .....especially Donald Duck

I love cooking

Swimming is one of my favourite things to do

My favourite country to visit Iceland I even got married there

I have a dog called Rolo and a cat called Arnold

### MEET OUR STAFF



**Mrs Kingsley**

I once walked up Mount Vesuvius.

I love being by the sea and being outside.

I was born in London and go back often to see friends and family.

I have just started the Couch to 5K and enjoy running. My aim is to run for 30 minutes!

I enjoy dancing and used to do Lindy Hop. Now once a week we have a bubble disco with our son.

### MEET OUR STAFF



**Mrs Chaplin**

I love going to the beach, we go to woolacombe in Devon yearly as it's one of my favourite places.



I have a dog and a giant rabbit.

I have 3 children who have all been at Nightingale who all keep me very busy !

I like to craft and will spend alot of time on Pinterest coming up with my next creation!

Out of the 51 zoos listed in the UK on Google, I have been to 21 of them. Chester has so far been the best.

## Parking

May we remind parents/carers that they should not be using the school car park unless they are a blue badge holder or have arranged this on a short-term basis with the school.

We are very fortunate to have the community centre/Library around the corner offers ample parking, which is free and plenty of spaces, and a much safer place for your children.

Please do not park on double yellow lines, on grass verges and pavements, double parking in the layby or where you are obstructing other road users. Residents have been advised to pass on driver's details who are not parking legally to the local police and the school have requested police presence where they have availability.

## Clothing Bank

Don't forget there is a clothing bank outside the main entrance. Please feel free to use this for all your old clothes, shoes and bric-a-brac. Below is a list of the items they accept.

### What do we collect?

We Only Accept Good Quality Donations For Our Partner Charities



#### Clothing

- Clothes
- Shoes
- Handbags
- Belts
- Accessories
- Ethnic clothing

#### Kitchenware

- Pots And Pans
- Cutlery
- Crockery
- Tupperware
- Glasses
- Cups And Mugs

#### Bric-A-Brac

- Ornaments
- Vases
- Figurines
- Picture Frames
- Knick-Knacks
- Misc. objects

#### Stationary

- Pencils
- Pens
- Rulers
- Pencil Cases
- Calculators
- Diaries
- Notepads

#### Pet Accessories

- Collars
- Leads
- Grooming
- Equipment
- Bird Cages
- Dog beds

#### Wall Art

- Mirrors
- Paintings
- Photographs
- Art

#### Children's Items

- Soft Toys
- Car Seats
- Push Chairs
- Moses Baskets
- High Chairs
- Childrens Toys
- Board Games
- Jigsaws

#### Jewellery

- Rings
- Necklaces
- Bracelets
- Watches

#### Homeware

- Cushions
- Curtains
- New Bedding
- New blankets

#### I.T Equipment

- Laptops
- Tablets
- Satnavs
- Mobile Phones
- Smart Watches

#### Other

- Tools
- New Perfumes
- New Toiletries
- Gifts
- Bikes
- Holiday Decorations



This is a great way for you to get rid of unwanted items but it also benefits the school as fundraising from this bank goes to the school. In the past we have used this to fund new books and pay towards coach hire for trips.

## Dates for the diary

### September 2024

|          |            |   |
|----------|------------|---|
| Tuesday  | 24.09.2024 | Current Reception parents – welcome to reception event 2:30pm |
| Thursday | 26.09.2024 | School photos individuals & siblings                          |

### October 2024

|           |            |  |
|-----------|------------|--|
| Thursday  | 03.10.2024 | Year 1 football festival (10 children only, information will be sent to individuals) |
| Tuesday   | 08.10.2024 | Golf Taster Session (Whole school, please come dressed in PE kit)                    |
| Thursday  | 10.10.2024 | Mental Health Awareness: Everyone wears yellow (details to follow)                   |
| Wednesday | 16.10.2024 | KS1 Harvest Festival at church PM – parents welcome – time to follow                 |
| Thursday  | 17.10.2024 | Year 1 / 2 Cross Country (16 children only, information will be sent to individuals) |
| Saturday  | 19.10.2024 | NEW INTAKE event for prospective parents of Reception 2025-26                        |
| Monday    | 21.10.2024 | SESMA Taster Session (Whole school, please come dressed in PE kit)                   |
| Thursday  | 24.10.2024 | Horror Hair Day  |
| Friday    | 25.10.2024 | School closes for Half term, and re-opens 4 <sup>th</sup> November                   |

### November 2024

|          |            |   |
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| Tuesday  | 12.11.2024 | Parents evening   |
| Thursday | 14.11.2024 | Parents evening   |
| Thursday | 14.11.2024 | Year 1 & Year 2 PE Festival (10 children only, information will be sent to individuals) |

### December 2024

|           |            |   |
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| Friday    | 06.12.2024 | Christmas Fayre                                       |
| Tuesday   | 10.12.2024 | EYFS Christmas performance for parents at school - AM |
| Wednesday | 11.12.2024 | EYFS Christmas performance for parents at school - AM |



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|---------|------------|--|
| Tuesday | 17.12.2024 | Year 1 / 2 Christmas Story at Taverham Church  |
| Friday  | 20.12.2024 | Last day of Autumn Term, school re-opens on 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2025 for Spring Term |

## Term dates



Norfolk County Council

# 2024-2025

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.

| September 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    | October 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    | November 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    | December 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| January 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    | February 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    | March 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    | April 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| May 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    | June 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    | July 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    | August 2025 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| <p>Key : White dates - schools open to pupils<br/>         Yellow dates - pupil holiday<br/>         Red dates - bank holiday</p> | <p>Five staff training days will be selected from yellow dates, we suggest 2 &amp; 3 September, 25 October, 6 January and 22 April. Some may choose to use twilight hours for staff training instead of some or all of these.</p> |
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