



# Drayton Community Infant School

## Weekly Newsletter

### 01.10.21

\*\*\* IN SCHOOL NEXT WEEK \*\*\*

#### Traveling Book Fair



We have the travelling Book Fair coming in to school next week. This fair raises essential money for the school to spend on books for the children. However, it is going to be run slightly differently compared to previous years. To minimise numbers in the hall please can you only attend on your child/rens year group day. We ask for Parents/Carers **ONLY** to attended before/after you have dropped your child off at their classroom door. We understand that it is a shame that you cannot bring your child with you however, we are doing this to reduce the numbers of people in the school hall. Hopefully this will change at future book fairs.

Please can you wear a mask when attending this event. Many thanks.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021- Reception 9:00-9:30 or 2:30-2:55**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021- Year 1 9:00-9:30 or 2:30-2:55**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021- Year 2 9:00-9:30 or 2:30-2:55**



#### Menu change W/C 4<sup>th</sup> October

We will swap Thursday and Friday meals next week. Therefore we will have:

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October – Fish Fingers & Chips**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October - Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread**

The chosen meals already on PupilAsset for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> October have been swapped. If you have chosen your child's meals since Thursday, please login to PupilAsset and update their meals. Thank you.









Mrs Dearden is starting up Running Club again this year for KS1 children, Year 1 and Year 2. It is back by popular demand! It will be on a Monday morning at 8.15 am. Your child will need to come in their running gear, with sturdy running trainers and clothes suitable to run in and for the weather, plus have a full bottle of water. Come through the playground and meet in Mole Class at 8.15, where the children can leave their school bags. Year 2 children need to bring in their school uniform to change into. It is free and a great way to start off the week! I look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible! See you on the 4<sup>th</sup> October!!

**Free Parent Courses Available in October**

# Family Learning Early Years Programme

October 2021

	<b>Little Movers</b> 1 session  Delivery options: Online and various Norfolk venues	This fantastic FREE session will help support your little movers! You will discover the importance of action rhymes, activities and games for your child/ren's physical development, wellbeing and learning. This session is designed for parents/carers and their children aged 0 to 4 years, taking part together.	To book: <a href="#">Little Movers</a>  Telephone: 0344 800 8020 option 5  Email: <a href="mailto:adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk">adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk</a>
	<b>Little Talkers</b> 1 session  Delivery options: Online and various Norfolk venues	This fantastic session will help support your little talkers! You will discover the importance of stories, rhymes and games for your child/ren's communication development, wellbeing and learning. This session is designed for parents/carers and their children aged 0 to 4 years, taking part together.	To book: <a href="#">Little Talkers</a>  Telephone: 0344 800 8020 option 5  Email: <a href="mailto:adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk">adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk</a>
	<b>Making Friends</b> 1 session  Delivery options: Online and various Norfolk venues	This fantastic session will help your child/ren to make little friends! You will discover the importance of taking turns, building relationships and expressing feelings for your child/ren's social development, wellbeing and learning. This session is designed for parents/carers and their children aged 0 to 4 years, taking part together.	To book: <a href="#">Making Friends</a>  Telephone: 0344 800 8020 option 5  Email: <a href="mailto:adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk">adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk</a>
	<b>Promoting Positive Behaviour</b> 2-week course Tuesday 05/10/2021 and 19/10/2021 19:00-20:30  Online	This 2-week course will help you to gain confidence and skills to support your child/ren's behaviour with approaches based on current guidance and best practice. With the two sessions taking place a few weeks apart, this will give you time to practice the approaches before returning for more tips and answers to questions. This course is suitable for those with children aged 0-4 years. Parents/carers are encouraged to attend without their children.	To book: <a href="#">Promoting Positive Behaviour</a>  Telephone: 0344 800 8020 option 5  Email: <a href="mailto:adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk">adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk</a>
	<b>Let's Explore Together</b> 4-week course Friday 01/10/2021 – 22/10/2021 12:45-14:15  Online	This course will help you discover how your child/ren experience the world through their senses, how they explore and learn about the world around us. You will learn some exciting and fun activities which will engage and entertain your child/ren whilst at home. It will also give you a chance to spend some quality time together and support their development as they grow. This course is for children aged 0-2 years, with their parents/carers.	To book: <a href="#">Let's Explore Together</a>  Telephone: 0344 800 8020 option 5  Email: <a href="mailto:adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk">adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk</a>
	<b>50 Things to do Before You're 5</b> 1 session  Delivery options: Online and various Norfolk venues	These fantastic FREE sessions will help you to learn some fun and easy age-appropriate activities, support your child's development and tick off some of the 50 Things to do Before You're Five activities. They are designed for parents/carers and their children aged up to 5 years, taking part together.	To book: <a href="#">50 Things</a>  Telephone: 0344 800 8020 option 5  Email: <a href="mailto:adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk">adultlearning@norfolk.gov.uk</a>



For autumn activities galore, this link has 101 activities for both children and adults. Perfect for weekends or October Half Term.

<https://www.thepurplepumpkinblog.co.uk/101-things-to-do-in-autumn/>

Post any photos or videos on 'Tapestry' or 'Seesaw' to share them with your teachers.



We would like to share some very happy news with you all and that is, Miss Jackson in Mouse class is going to be having a baby in March. Everyone at DCIS is very excited about the news. Miss Jackson will be starting her maternity leave at February half term. We will keep you all updated about the plan for Mouse class after February half term via the Newsletter.

Congratulations Miss Jackson.

## Learning taking place in our classes this week!



This week we have been learning all about emotions. We based this learning around the book 'The Colour Monster' by Anna Llenas. This story links each feeling to a different colour. We learnt that sometimes the colours might be mixed up and we can sometimes feel more than one feeling at the same time. The children have really enjoyed this story and have been using the language taught to describe their own feelings. We have also created a potions area to enable the children to continue to talk about colours and feelings, but also explore colour mixing.

In Maths we have been singing lots of number rhymes and sorting numbers. We have also been working on our subitising skills. This is the skill of recognising a number of objects in a small group without the need to count them.

It has been lovely to see that so many children have been sharing and enjoying their reading book with their grown-ups at home.

This week we have also sent home a special Autumn task to complete. Please can this be back in school by Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of October. We cannot wait to see what the children find.



In literacy this week, we have used drama to act out the story of 'The Last Wolf.' We imagined we were each of the characters and wrote speech bubbles for what we thought the characters might say. In maths we have used lots of concrete objects, including cubes, base ten and bead strings. These resources were used to support us in subtracting 1-digit numbers.

We have been enjoying learning in our outside area this week. As a year group, we went on a fairy tale clue hunt and enjoyed listening to 'The Gingerbread Man.' We have continued to explore Alma Thomas' artwork and made our own class collages and paintings. In PE, we have continued with dodgeball skills and played games to practise our throwing. We have been looking at the four countries that are in the United Kingdom in geography.

We have assigned an activity on Seesaw for you to complete with your child to help us in our learning next week.



In maths we have had lots of practical lessons measuring length and mass. We have used centimetres and metres to measure lengths. We have also used grams to find out how heavy items are using balance scales and kitchen scales. We have made comparisons of lengths and masses using the symbols < > and =.

In Topic we have been focussing our learning on food grown in both Norfolk, UK and India. We were very excited to try some typical Indian food, Mango chutney, Naan bread, Lassi, and Poppadom's. We used different adjectives to describe them with our senses. The children asked for MORE!!! We have continued to expand our PE skills in both Bollywood Dancing and playing Frisbee. This week we have also reminded ourselves of the importance of internet safety in school, at home and on mobile phones and tablets. We created a poster to display in the school.

This week we have been writing for different purposes by coming up with suggestions for the main character in our core text 'Pattan's Pumpkin' and writing letters in role as Pattan. The children came up with some very creative solutions for Pattan and what he could do to keep everyone safe during the flood.

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Dates for the Diary	
15.10.2021	School photos Siblings and individuals
25.10.21 - 29.10.21	Half Term
23.11 & 25.11	Parents Evening Details to follow
17.12.21	Last Day of Term

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