



Drayton Community Infant School

Weekly Newsletter

17.9.21

Dear Drayton Families,

It's been another busy week at Drayton this week and the children have amazed us how well they have settled back into school and into their new classes. We are very mindful that the past 18 months has affected each year group in different ways but they've continued to show us how resilient they are and have risen to the challenge – whether it's starting school, moving to a new class or making new friends.

We are working hard to improve our school site and building and have plans to continue this throughout the year. During the summer, Mr Mason and Mr Tame began decorating and making some changes to the area outside of Acron club. We now have a new fence in the pond area to allow for more outside space for wrap around and have created a 'Family Room' in the school which is almost finished. As well as providing a quiet space for interventions, it will also be used to meet with families in a more relaxed and welcoming environment. Once we've added some finishing touches which will include some art work by the children, we'll share some photos on our website.

Despite only returning to school recently, we are aware many begin to plan holidays for next year well in advance. We have included the 2022-2023 Norfolk school calendar, which we will be following, to the date section below for your information. School is open to children on all dates marked in white.

Lastly, please could I remind you that can find the current menu on our website under our key information tab. As well as offering meat and vegetarian options, the kitchen also provides pasta options and jacket potatoes. All meals are free for all children while they are at Infant School; there is no need to complete any forms or apply. If your child isn't the most adventurous eater or you are worried regarding any dietary requirements, please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. Medical dietary request forms are available from the school office.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend and we look forward to welcoming you all back next week.

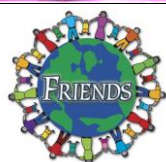
Sarah Hutt
Acting Partnership Headteacher



Attendance of the week award goes to:

Year 1- The winner is Rabbit with 97%

Year 2- The winner is Fox with 98%








We would like to say a huge thank you to the Friends of Drayton Community Infant School for supplying all of the reception children with a bear. The Friends play a huge role in providing the school with












Mole: Monday and Thursday
Rabbit: Monday and Wednesday
Starling: Monday and Tuesday

Year 2: Thursday and Friday

Reception won't start PE until later in the school year. More information will follow.

	<p>We use Parentmail to send letters, messages and forms. The emails with a registration link were sent to all Reception parents. Please set the login details in order to receive all our correspondence. Any problems please email the office.</p>
	<p>Collecting children Any adults on the contact list can collect children without password. There is no need to contact the school. If an adult not on the contact list collecting a child, please call the office and leave a message, and ensure the person has the password registered with the school. Please be reminded that it is the parent's responsibility to ensure your child's contact details are kept up to date in the school office. Please contact us immediately if these are change.</p>
	<p>Change of menu Unfortunately, because of shortage of drivers and supply, our menu might change at short notice.</p>
	<p>Nuthatch Nursery @ Nightingale Our Partnership school Nightingale Infants and Nursery has spaces in their Nursery class – Nuthatch. The Nursery is part of the school and is open in term time. Sessions are: 8:45 – 11:45 or 12:15 – 15:15 or all day. You can add lunch to a morning or afternoon session and use our Conker Club for wraparound care. Our Nursery has 4 members of qualified staff and is managed by the Partnership EYFS Lead Lou Boyce. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office on 01603 867976 if you would like more information and/or would like to come and have a look around.</p>
	<p>Scooters and bikes Please could you make sure that bikes and scooters are pushed when on school site. This is to keep everyone safe. Thank you.</p>

Learning taking place in our classes this week!	
  	<p>We have really enjoyed having all the children in class this Thursday and Friday. They have all settled really well and we have enjoyed getting to know them a little better. We have continued to learn all about us and wrote some rules for our classes. We signed our rules with a thumb print. On Friday, we also celebrated International Dot Day. We read the book The Dot by Peter H Reynolds. The book is all about a little girl who tries something new and learns all about the power of the word YET! The children have really enjoyed making a dot into something new. Next week, we will be talking more about our families. Please try to make sure you have uploaded a photo of your family and the front of your house to Tapestry to help us with this.</p>
	<p>This week, we have introduced our new Power of Reading Book. We have been contributing our ideas to numerous class discussions while exploring the new text. The book we are looking at is called: 'The Last Wolf' by Mini Grey. We have been exploring more about the characters in the book and have wondered how they might be feeling in different parts of the story. In maths this week, we have been counting, reading and writing numbers from 0-20 as well as looking at numbers to 100! We have spent the afternoons listening to instruments in music, to help us when we come to listen to new pieces of</p>

 	<p>music. We have been learning skills for Dodgeball in PE with Mr. Sexton. In PSHE, we have been celebrating our similarities and diversity. We enjoyed venturing outside to have a go at map reading in geography. We compared different religions beliefs on 'The Story of Creation' in RE and have created art work in the style of Andy Warhol. Wow – what a busy week!</p> <p>We have assigned an activity on Seesaw for you to complete with your child to help us in our learning next week This is due in school on Thursday 23rd September</p>
  	<p>This week, we have been reading more about Pataun and his giant pumpkin. The children have been comparing the story to others that they know involving enormous fruit and vegetables. We have been discussing similarities and differences between the different stories like Cinderella, The Enormous Turnip and James and the Giant Peach.</p> <p>In maths, we have been practising addition using a variety of methods such as concrete resources, pictorial drawings and blank number lines.</p> <p>The children really enjoyed spotting the physical differences between the U.K. and India as part of our geography learning this week. We discussed the human geographical features of both countries.</p> <p>Year 2 have recapped the importance of the PANTS rule with Pantosaurus and made posters to display in school.</p> <p>Our home learning challenge for this term is now on seesaw. Please complete the challenge and upload your work to seesaw by 18.10.21 so that we can share our work with each other in school.</p>

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	21.10.21	School Disco Yr1 and 2. This has been organised by the FRIENDS of DCIS More info to follow
	25.10.21 - 29.10.21	Half Term
	23.11 & 25.11	Parents Evening More info to follow
	19.11.21	Children in need More info to follow
	16.12.21	Online Pantomime – Jack and the Beanstalk More info to follow
	17.12.21	Last Day of Term