

Drayton Community Infant School Weekly Newsletter 24.9.21



Attendance of the week award goes to:

Friends

Reception- Will be having a disco at a later date.

Halloween Disco

With Moore Madness - Children's Entertainment

Thursday 21st October 2021 Yr1 Moles, Rabbits & Starlings School Hall 16.30-17.30

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Thursday 21st October 2021 Yr2 Owls, Squirrels & Foxes School Hall 17.45-18.45



A Voluntary Contribution of £2.50, is kindly being asked from the Friends to help support the school. Every child is welcome, and it would be lovely to see them all get together.



Please scan the QR code or go to the link to donate.

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/dcisfriends/#.YUuafiV4XDt



Eco-school

Each year 1 and 2 class has appointed two eco-councillors who make up the school's eco-council, along with some members of staff. The eco councillors will remain in post for this academic year to help run our eco-school programme and develop the school's eco topics - Transport, Marine, Energy, Waste and Litter.

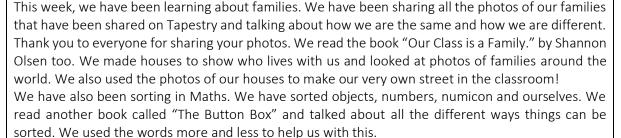


To support our action plan, each year 1 and 2 class has also appointed two energy monitors, two waste monitors and two litter monitors. These monitors help to ensure lights and whiteboards are not left on unnecessarily, check that resources are not wasted and that waste is put into the correct bins, and help to keep the school grounds

	free of litter. These monitors will change each half term to involve as many children as
	possible.
	Children in Reception will join the eco council and monitors in the Spring term.
	We welcome family members to join our committee. To express an interest or to find
	out more please contact Miss Yaxley via the school office:
	officedrayton@istnorfolk.co.uk
	Miss Yaxley
	Eco-schools coordinator
c. A	Reporting absence
(C)	Please note that if your child is unwell more than one day, absence reporting should
	still be made each morning unless you have a prior arrangement with the school.
	Please inform us by 9am. Thank you.
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	PCR test
	If your child is showing symptoms of COVID, please book PCR Test not Lateral
NHS	Flow Test. Please call 119 for any advice regarding the tests.
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	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.
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	<u>Change of menu - Monday 27th September</u>
	Tapestry accounts
	We are aware that a few parents have still to activate their Tapestry account with us.
-4-1-4-	Please talk with your child's class team if you are having any problems with this at all.
TAPESTRY	Alternatively, please email DraytonEYFS@istnorfolk.co.uk for further help and support.
ONLINE LEARNING JOURNAL	You will need to accept the invitation to join this school account even if you have had
	one at your child's previous Early years Setting.
8	Staff car park Please remember that the car park is only for staff members. When picking up and
Just a	Please remember that the car park is only for staff members. When picking up and dropping your child off please park on the road.
friendly	There have also been a few occasions when children have been picked up that they
friendly reminder	have run across the car park, let's stay safe and remember to use the pavement. Thank
reminaer	you.



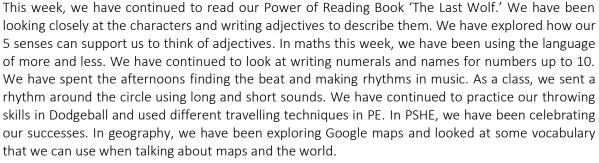






It has been a very busy week for us all. The children have really settled well and it has been lovely to have them in school all day, every day!







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



In maths we have been adding two numbers. We have practised using a range of methods including using objects, drawing our working out and using number lines. We have also looked at solving word problems using addition. The children have written some fantastic descriptive poems all about pumpkins! We enjoyed coming up similes and adjectives to describe our pumpkin and then we practised performing our poems in class.



In Topic this week we have been focussing on the Human and Physical features in both India and Norfolk. We have been for a walk around the school grounds to make a list of these and discussed our findings with the whole class on returning to the classroom. We also made a popular Indian dessert sweet called Barfi, during our D.T lessons. Next week we hope to be doing some food tasting. Please let your child's teacher know if your child has any allergies which would affect this. Lastly, in PE we have been following instructions on how to dance 'Bollywood' style! 'Strictly Come Dancing' will be getting lots of new applicants soon, I'm sure!



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Dates for the Diary								
15.10.2021	School photos							
	Siblings and individuals							
21.10.21	School Disco Yr1 and 2. This has been organised by the FRIENDS of							
	DCIS							
	More information has been sent							
	out via Parent Mail							
25.10.21 -	Half Term							
29.10.21								
16.11.2021	Flu vaccination offering to all							
	children							
23.11 & 25.11	Parents Evening							
	More info to follow							

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Free school meals – while all children up to the end of year 2 receive free meals, if eligible, this would continue into junior school

£1,345 of additional funding for school to directly help with your child's learning

Reduced cost on future school trips and visits

Subsidised sports clubs and other activities

FREE SCHOOL MEALS APPLICATION AND PUPIL PREMIUM

We want to make sure that we are providing your child with the best education and support we can. Healthy school food has obvious health benefits and can help pupils establish healthy habits for life. Healthy school food can also help to improve pupils' readiness to learn.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are offered universal free school meals. This is regardless of your household income.

You do not have to apply for universal free school meals. However, you can apply for your school to get extra funding from the government, if you receive one of the benefits listed below. This extra funding is called Pupil Premium:

- Universal Credit with an annual earned income of no more than £7,400 after tax
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190

How to apply

You can apply for free school meals online using your Norfolk Education Online (NEO) account. You can use the same account for 2-year-old childcare funding and school admissions. If you have applied for school admissions online before, you may already have an account.

https://fiso.norfolk.gov.uk/synergy/Enquiries/Citizen/FreeSchoolMeals.aspx/

Schools will be notified by the local authority if a child is entitled.

The following groups of children are also eligible for extra funding to schools:

Looked-after and previously looked-after children

Pupils who have left local authority care through adoption, a special guardianship order or child arrangements order.

Service premium (this funding is for help with pastoral support)

Pupils with a parent(s) who:

- is serving in HM Forces
- has retired on a pension from the Ministry of Defence

Examples of how we can use the pupil premium are:

Teaching: Schools arrange training and professional development for all their staff to improve the impact of teaching and learning for pupils.

Academic support: Schools should decide on the main issues stopping their pupils from succeeding at school and use the pupil premium to buy extra help.

Wider approaches

This may include non-academic uses of the pupil premium such as:

- school breakfast clubs
- music lessons for disadvantaged pupils
- help with the cost of educational trips or visits
- speech and language therapy

If your child falls under these criteria and you would like some support with applying, please speak to the school office.