



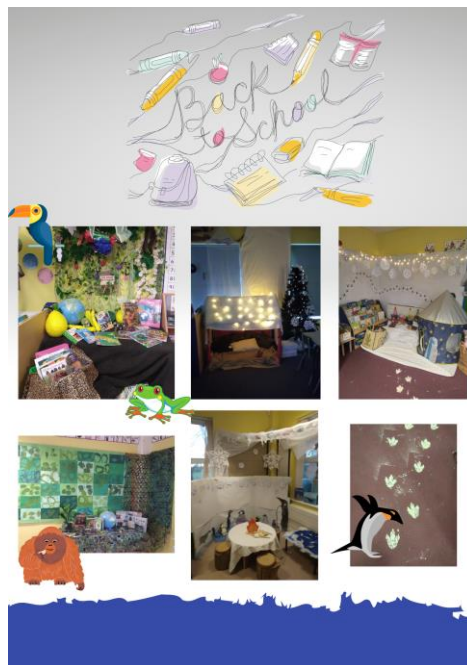
Drayton Community Infant School

Weekly Newsletter

07.01.2022

Dear Families,

Firstly, a very Happy New Year to you all! I hope that you and your family have had a relaxing seasonal holiday break and have all kept in good health. It was lovely to welcome the children back on Wednesday and to spend time in the classes throughout the rest of the week where the children were all happy, smiling and eager to learn. You can see from the photo below that the classes have changed a bit compared to last term. It was very exciting in Year 1 on Wednesday as the children found some animal footprints in their classroom!!!



Further Covid Updates

Since writing to you on Tuesday there have been further updates from the Government.

- ❖ From Tuesday 11th January, anyone testing positive on a lateral flow test is not required to book a PCR (this is a temporary suspension). They should follow the Government guidance re isolation from this point. Children under 11 are not required to undertake the twice weekly lateral flow testing. Lateral flows should not be used if you or your child are showing symptoms of Covid-19. A PCR should be booked immediately and you/they should isolate until a negative result is confirmed or the isolation period is completed.
- ❖ Where someone in the house has tested positive for Covid-19, all members of the household aged 5 and over are asked to complete daily lateral flow tests for 7 days. If anyone develops symptoms, lateral flow tests should stop and a PCR should be booked. Isolation of family members is not required unless symptoms develop and/or a lateral flow test is confirmed.

- ❖ Isolation can end on day 7 if there are no symptoms present and 2 consecutive negative lateral flow tests have been confirmed. The first should be taken no earlier than day 6 and the second must not be taken before another 24 hours has passed. Following the second negative result, children and adults can come out of isolation and return to work and school immediately. It is recommended those leaving isolation early, continue daily testing until day 10. Anyone not able to test must complete the full 10 days of isolation.



***** The Golden Acorn Awards *****
 The focus this half term is going to be **Friendship**.



Parent Forum

Parent forum

The Parent forum will unfortunately have to be postponed a week from the 13/1/22 to the 20/1/22 at 9:30.

We still do not have any representatives from:

Squirrel, Starling, Hedgehog and Fox.

Please email Mrs Findlay if you would like to be a representative for one of the above classes, deputydrayton@istnorfolk.co.uk.

At the next meeting we will be discussing how we can support the food bank and school meals. Please give any agenda items to one of our Forum members or email Mrs Findlay on deputydrayton@istnorfolk.co.uk



Below is some information on where some plastics can be recycled locally that are unable to be recycled in household recycling bins:

<https://www.facebook.com/RecycleForNorfolkWildlife/photos/a.344554342768077/999555227267982/>

plastics such as old pens, crisps packets, biscuit wrappers, confectionery packaging, bread bags, chocolate packaging, beauty product packaging, cleaning product packaging, cheese packaging and dental products.

(nearest drop-off point: bins in Horsford village hall car park)

<https://www.recyclenow.com/what-to-do-with/plastic-film>

soft plastics such as breakfast cereal liners, bubble wrap, carrier bags, rice, salad and pasta bags, frozen food bags and toilet roll wrapping

(nearest drop-off point: Tesco Drayton by the store entrance)

Information is also available at <https://www.terracycle.com/en-GB/>

Learning taking place in our classes this week!



It has been lovely welcoming the children back to school this week and hearing all about their exciting holiday news.



This week we have been revisiting our class rules and routines. We have been drawing our self- portraits and writing our names. Our teachers are so proud of the progress that we have made since starting Reception with our name writing and letter formation!



We are looking forward to starting our new power of reading book next week.



It has been lovely welcoming back Year 1 this week! We hope you all had a happy and safe Christmas and New Year.



This week, Antarctica came to our classrooms. We arrived on Wednesday to snowy footprints, snowflakes and snow all over the classroom. In Literacy, we have been using the tablets to research facts about penguins. We found out about penguin's lifestyles, lifecycles, habitats and diets. We have also ordered the lifecycle of a penguin and used our research to write sentences about the lifecycle.



In maths, we have revisited addition and subtraction. We used ten frames to bridge 10 when working out addition and subtraction number sentences. Our word problems included lots of animals that live in Antarctica.



Year 2 have come back eager to begin learning about their new topic 'The Rainforest'.



In Literacy this week, we have started researching information about the rainforest including the animals that live there. Did you know that a Draco is a flying lizard that grows up to 12 inches long? The children have been busy swapping facts and taking notes by picking out key words and information to inform their writing.



School dates

Please note the date in yellow **20.4.21** is an additional day off for the Queens Jubilee. This is to be taken by schools as an additional day off. This was discussed with the cluster schools. It was decided with the majority of the cluster that 20.4.21 would be the day taken.

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Dates for the diary

Term dates calendar: <http://www.draytoninfantschool.co.uk/parents-community/term-dates/>

January 2022

Thursday	20.01.2021	Reception Disco 4.30pm-5.30pm
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February 2022

Friday	11.02.2022	Last day of half term
Monday	21.02.2022	School reopens
Monday	07.02.2022	Children's Mental Health Week starts
Tuesday	08.02.2022	Safer Internet Day

March 2022

Thursday	03.03.2022	World Book Day- Dress up as your favourite book character more information to follow.
Friday	11.03.2022	British Science Week starts
Thursday	17.03.2022	St. Patrick's Day
Friday	18.03.2022	Red Nose Day

Tuesday	22.03.2022	Year 2 trip to Gressenhall (more information to follow in due course)
Monday	28.03.2022	Reception Vision & Hearing test
April 2022		
Friday	01.04.2022	Last day of term
Thursday	21.04.2022	School reopens for summer term
Friday	22.04.2022	Earth Day
Friday	29.04.2022	International Dance Day
May 2022		
Monday	02.05.2022	Bank Holiday
Thursday	04.05.2022	Anti-bullying Day
Monday	09.05.2021	Mental Health Week starts
Friday	27.05.2022	Last day of half term
June 2022		
Monday	06.06.2022	School reopens
Monday	06.06.2021	June Child Safety Week
July 2022		
Friday	22.07.2022	Last day of term