Drayton Community Infant School

Weekly Newsletter

09.12.2024



OAK VALUE this week is Kind.

In Assembly we talked about kindness leading up to Christmas. Kind to ourselves, kind to our friends, kind to our grownups, kind to our family members. We talked about how being kind to others was good for our souls and made us feel better than being mean and unkind. We listened to a short story called Wish which illustrated thinking of others before yourself.



Attendance – Whole School

Attendance last week	Attendance this term (up to 29.11.2024)
94.15%	94.74%

Our aim is to maintain the attendance above 96%. Thank you for your continued support.





CHRISTMAS AT DRAYTON

Year R Performance

There will be 2 Nativity performances in Reception:

Tuesday 10th December 2:00 pm

Wednesday 11th December 9:15 am

We are doing things a little differently this year in EYFS, all the children will be telling the Nativity story through song! There are no main parts, instead all children will have their turn on stage with their group during the performance. We feel that this will alleviate some of the anxiety felt by the children at this early stage in their education. We want the Nativity to be a fun and enjoyable experience for all!

Letters will be sent home this week detailing what group your child is in and costume ideas.

Year 1 Performance

There will be two Christmas performances in Year 1.

Monday 16th December 13:45pm
Tuesday 17th December 09:15am

Though we cannot offer exact starting/finishing times, we estimate the play will be 45 minutes long.

This week your child will come home with a slip of paper in their bags with their part and costume ideas. We hope to see you there and Drama Club are excited to show you what they have been working on!

Year 2 Performance

There will be two Christmas performances in Year 2.

Monday 16th December 9.00am

Wednesday 18th December 1.45pm

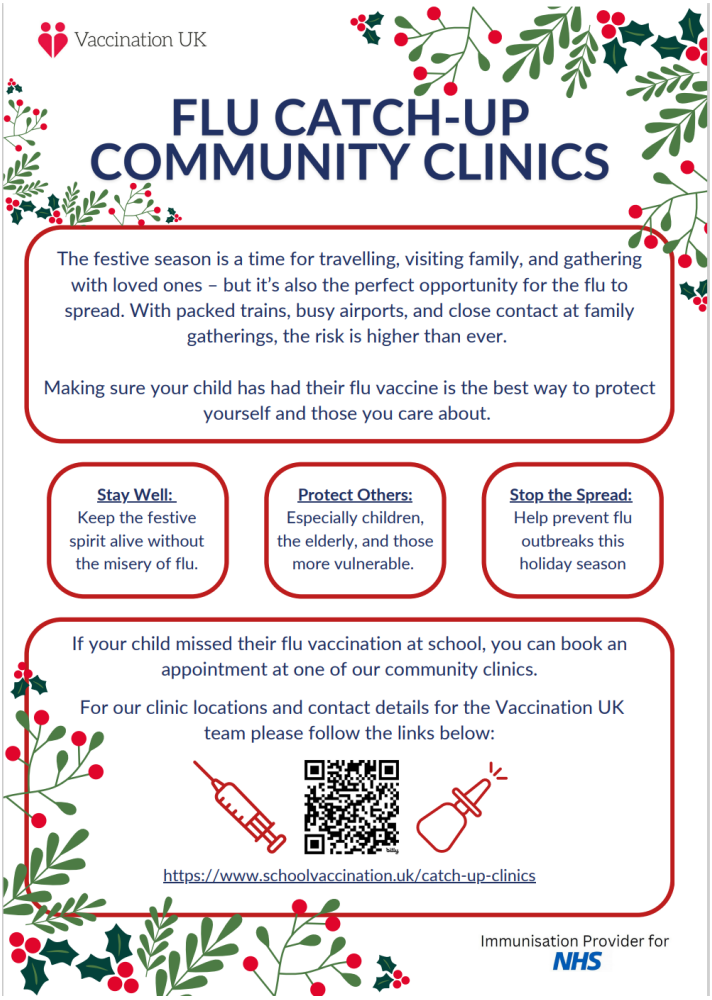
Please note that children can wear **Christmas themed outfits/a Christmas jumper/Christmas hats or headbands or red** clothing for the performance. Children with nativity roles will receive a separate text and a slip with some suggested outfits.

Please can clothes for the year 2 performances be brought in to class in a named bag by the 9th of December.

Christmas Crafts at Drayton

19TH	2-3pm	Year 2 Christmas Crafts
20th	2-3pm	Year R and Year 1 Christmas Crafts

Flu Catch-Up Community Clinics



Clubs

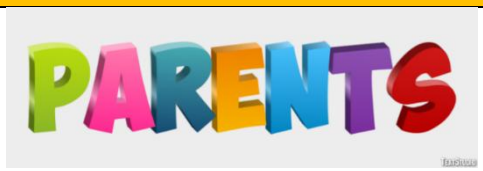
Staff run clubs have started, spaces still available in running club on a Tuesday morning, please contact the office to join, this is a 8:05 meet ready for the children to be on the field at 8:10 and will run till the bell ring at 8:30. Children can stay in school pe kit for the day after running club.

Fun Sports Club - Fun Sports Club continues after Christmas follow the link below to book your place for the new year:

Fun Sports Sign Up Sheet

Boogie Bouncy - This weeks Boogie Bouncy session will be the last one before the end of term. There will be a sign up sheet in the office for any year 1s who would like to sign up for after Christmas.

Parent Forum



Thank you so much to the parents/carers who have come forward to be on the Forum
Rob Lee – Otter and Fox
Hannah Howard – Mouse
Francesca Allen – Hedgehog
Fiona Taylor – Otter
Abigail Etchells – Rabbit
Holly Ireson - Starling
Clare Tavernor – Starling
Sophie Siddall - Squirrel
Thank you all so much for volunteering
Lou Boyce – Deputy and Senco
Mole Class – we are still looking for a parent from your class!

Christmas Dinner



Christmas Dinner is Wednesday 18th December, the kitchen have asked for orders to be made via Pupil Asset by 11th December so they are aware of numbers. Only Christmas Dinner including vegetarian and special dietary needs menus will be available on this day, home pack lunches need to be supplied from home.

Christmas Jumpers may also be worn on this day instead of the normal school jumper, this is to be worn with the rest of your child's normal uniform.

Story with Santa



Monday 9th December - Year 1

Thursday 12th December – Reception and Year 2

Santa is coming to visit the DCIS Children very soon. This year the Children will enjoy a story with Santa and will be singing him a song. Santa will be taking questions before giving the children a gift. We are asking for a voluntary donation to help cover the cost of the gift. Donations can be made by scanning the QR code on the posters at the school gate or by clicking the following link:

https://www.pta-events.co.uk/dcisfriends/#.YVLW6yV4XDu

Thank you for supporting The Friends of DCIS, all donations go towards the cost of hosting this event.

Year 2 Bookvent

Year 2 are planning to count down the days to Christmas with a Bookvent. Please send your child to school with a wrapped Christmas/Winter book. Each day we will choose a story to read. The books will be returned once we have read them in class.

Thank you, the Year 2 Team.



Holiday Clubs







Dates for the diary

Reception – Yellow	Year 1 – Blue	Year 2 – Green	Whole school –NO COLOUR	KS1(Y1&Y2) - Grey

December		
9th	9AM	Height and weight checks
10th	PM	Reception Nativity
11th	AM	Reception Nativity
9TH	AM	Story with Santa
12TH	AM	Story with Santa Reception and Year 2
16th	AM	Year 2 Christmas Performance
16th	PM	Year 1 Christmas Performance
17th	AM	Year 1 Christmas Performance
18th	PM	Year 2 Christmas Performance
18th		Christmas Dinner Day
		Christmas Jumper Day
19TH	2-3	Year 2 Christmas Crafts
20th	2-3	Year R and Year 1 Christmas Crafts
20th	3:00	SCHOOL FINISHES FOR CHRISTMAS
		January
7th	8:30	School opens for Spring Term
15th	TBC	Yr 1 Book Look

School day times from September 2024

8.20am	**Gates Open**
8.30am	**Classroom doors open**
8.40am	**Gates Closed** **Classroom doors close**
3pm	**End of the school day.**

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.

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Key : White dates - schools open to pupils Yellow dates - pupil holiday Red dates - bank holiday	Five staff training days will be selected from yellow dates, we suggest 2 & 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.