Drayton Community Infant School

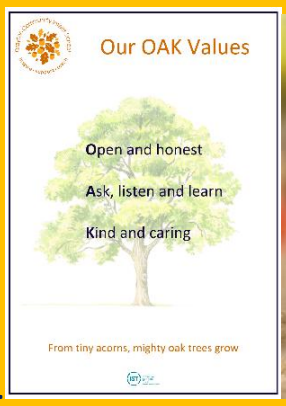
Weekly Newsletter

03/03/25



Open and honest
Ask Listen and Learn
Kind and Caring

OAK VALUE this week is 





This morning during Move It Monday assembly we included a meditation section. After two faster action movement tracks, we slowed it all down and recentred ourselves ready to start the week.
We are focusing on honesty this week.

Dear Families

We had a great first week back in school last week! We've seen some amazing learning, both from the classrooms and from work completed from home...we've been blown away.

We had a lovely visit from Douglas the dog and his owner Elizabeth. Douglas often visits homes for the elderly, and we were so excited for him to visit us. He spent some time with small groups of children in the library, having lots of cuddles and enjoying the fuss. He particularly enjoyed sharing a book with Freddie! We're hopeful they will be able to visit again soon so more children can meet him.

We're looking forward to welcoming you into school this week for parents evening. Please arrive at the school office a few minutes before your appointment time. If you are unable to make your appointment, please let the teacher or office know.

Have a great week!

Mrs Hutt, Mrs Boyce & The DCIS Team

Attendance

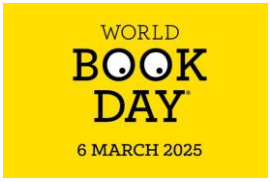
8.20am	**Gates Open**
8.30am	**Classroom doors open**
8.40am	**Gates Closed** **Classroom doors close**
3pm	**End of the school day.**

Attendance last week	Attendance this term (up to 28.02.25)
94.73%	95.11%

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



World Book Day



On Thursday 6th March to celebrate World Book Day the children are in invited to come to school dresses as a character from a book.

79 Easy World Book Day Costume Ideas UK 2025 | Mumsnet

https://www.worldbookday.com/families/

World Book Day Menu

To celebrate World Book Day we have a special book themed menu on Thursday 6th March.



NHS Dental Screenings

Beechcroft Dental Practice are offering dental screenings to our children on Wednesday 26th March 2025.

They will come into school and do a simple mouth screening for consenting children, if any issues are detected during the screening your child will be given a form informing you of this and whether further examination/treatment is required in a dental environment.

Once the screening has taken place you can contact Beechcroft to register your child with Beechcroft Dental Practice as NHS. This is being offered to both children who are not registered and registered with a dental practice, this will not affect your child's current position if they are currently registered at a different practice.

If you would like your child to have the simple screening within the school day, there are two consent forms and a letter from Beechcroft Dental Practice that need to be collected from the school office and returned no later than Wednesday 12th March 2025.

PARTNERSHIP SEND PARENT MEETINGS

Times for meeting with Lou Boyce SENCO. Please call the school office to take one of the time slots.

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Thursday 6th March 2025 Appointments 9 – 6	Wednesday 5th March 2025 Appointments 9 – 5:30

Parent 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
Sophie Hughes – Mole

The parents on the forum are very happy to listen to your thoughts about school. Please find them on the playground.

Next meeting 7th March 9:00

- Year 2 and the blue doors
- Reports what information would parents like?
- Charities and fundraising
- AOB – please raise anything and everything with your Forum members

Home Learning

Home learning for Spring 1 can be accessed via Weduc and our School website using the link below:

https://www.draytoninfantschool.co.uk/curriculum/eyfs-curriculum/

https://www.draytoninfantschool.co.uk/curriculum/ks1-curriculum/

Clubs

Running Club – Tuesday Running Club. Spaces are still available so please contact the office to join. This is an 8:05 meet ready for the children to be on the field at 8:10 and we run till the bell rings at 8:30. Children can stay in school pe kit for the day after running club. The children need one pair of trainers for running and another pair of shoes for the rest of the day. A change of socks is recommended too. Please tell breakfast club staff that your child is attending if you would like them to come and the staff will ensure their safe delivery to us on the field

Fun Sports Club – Thursdays 3.00 – 4.00pm - Fun Sports Club – spaces still available contact Nicky on spotoncoaching1@gmail.com

Boogie Bouncy – Tuesdays 3.00 – 3.45pm - Boogie Bouncy

National Tennis After School Club – Wednesdays 3.05 – 3.50 - The after-school tennis club provides a fun and welcoming environment for all Year 1-2 children. Sessions focus on developing key tennis skills, improving footwork, balance, and coordination, and, most importantly, ensuring everyone has a great time! Places still available please follow link to book: National Tennis Booking

Singing Club – Monday 3.00- 3.45pm – Book via school office, places still available.

Year 2 local walk to Littlewood



Squirrel class Monday 17th March, Otter class Tuesday 18th March and Fox class Thursday 20th March

Year 2 are going on a local walk to Littlewood to support their learning in Geography and Science. The children will be using their observational skills to observe the seasonal changes within the local environment and apply their map reading skills to navigate through and search for local features. We will leave the school site at approximately 1.30pm and arrive back to school before 2.45pm on each of the afternoons.

Your child will need to bring the following:

- A named full bottle of water
- A named raincoat
- Wellies or suitable outdoor footwear

Parent helpers

We will need up to 3 adults per class to join us on the walk to help. If you are able to help please email the school office and we will get back to you.

School Disco Thursday 27th March

FRIENDS of Drayton Community Infant School

Reception & Yr 1 Disco



With Moore Madness –

Children's Entertainment

Thursday 27th March 2025

School Hall 15.00-16.00

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



Dear Parents/Carers

The Reception & Year 1 Disco will be held in the school Hall on:

Thursday 27th March 2025 from 15.00-16.00.

Moore Madness will be hosting the disco with entertainment.

The children will be with their reception and year 1 teams and will head to the hall as soon as school finishes. Squash and water will be available for the children during the disco. If children wish to change their clothes – they will have the opportunity to change in class, please just label their clothes and put them in a labelled bag.

Please collect your child at 16.00 from their classroom.

This event has been organised by the Friends of DCIS. We would like all the children to attend the disco so they can share this experience with their friends. Every child is welcome, and we can't wait to see them all there. A Voluntary Contribution of £2.50, is kindly being asked from the Friends of DCIS to help pay for the event and to support the school.

All monies raised goes back into the school to help with other events/trips and school equipment. We would like to thank you in advance for your contribution.

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Thank you for your support.

DCIS Friends

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Yr2 Disco

With Moore Madness –

Children's Entertainment

Thursday 27th March 2025

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Dear Parents/Carers

The Year 2 Disco will be held in the school Hall on:

Thursday 27th March 2025 from 16.00-17.00.

Moore Madness will be hosting the disco with entertainment.

The children will be with their year 2 team in the hall.

Please arrive at the hall for 16.00, can we ask that you take children's coats with you.

Squash and water will be available for the children during the disco.

Please collect your child at 17.00.

Collection will be from the year 1 classrooms.

(Blue door side that is used in the mornings).

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DCIS Friends

Easter Tech Camp



Exciting Easter Tech Camp – Now with Take-Home Inventions! 🚀🤖

Looking for an **exciting, hands-on Easter activity** for your child? This Easter, **Next Thing Education's Tech Camp** is at **Drayton Junior NR8 6EF** with **brand-new invention workshops!**

🔧 **Kids will build & take home their own STEM creations!** Think **Bubble Blasters, Levitating Balls, Bright Lamps, Hydraulic Diggers**, and more!

Alongside these awesome inventions, children will explore:

✅ **Coding & Robotics** – Learn to program and control real robots
✅ **Minecraft & LEGO Engineering** – Build, design, and problem-solve
✅ **Virtual Reality & Pro DJing** – Get creative with cutting-edge tech

📅 **Dates:** 14th – 17th April
💰 **Price:** £39.99 per day or all 4 days for £144

📍 **Book here:** https://www.nextthing.education/product/drayton-cofe-junior-school-easter-camp/

Dates for the diary

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

March		
4th & 6th		Parents Evening
6th		World Book Day – Children to dress up as book characters
7th		Parents Forum Meeting
10th		British Science Week
14th		Parents in for science meeting and experiments
17th	1.30-2.45	Squirrel class - Local walk to Littlewood
18th	1.30-2.45	Otter class - Local walk to Littlewood
20th	1.30-2.45	Fox class - Local walk to Littlewood
21st		Red Nose Day – Wear red
26th	All day	Dental Screenings (consent required)
27th	3.00 – 4.00	School Disco Rec and Yr 1
	4.00 – 5.00	School Disco Yr 2
April		
4th		Last day of Spring term 2 - Easter Holidays
23rd		School reopens - Start of Summer term 1
25th		Save the Rhino Fundraiser – wear something grey
May		
5th		School Closed May Bank Holiday
23rd		Last day of Summer Term 1 – May Half Term
June		
2nd		School reopens – Start of Summer term 2
9th – 11th		Vision and Hearing Screening for Reception
20th		Class Photos
23rd – 27th		Health and Wellbeing Week
24th		Sports Day
July		
22nd		Last day of Summer Term 2 – Summer Holiday

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.