Drayton Community Infant School

Weekly Newsletter

24/03/25



Open and honest
Ask Listen and Learn
Kind and Caring
OAK VALUE this week is:

Learn



We learn from failure, not Success
This week we will focus on the learning side of 'getting it wrong' and learning from those mistakes.

Dear Families

Today we have had an author visit our school! The children heard about how he became an author, the ideas behind his stories and were reminded that we have to keep on trying. A huge thank you to Miss Walters for organising the event.

Today we have also had a trainer from Talk 4 Writing in school, a programme we use for the teaching of writing. She has visited classrooms, watched teaching, looked at children's work and given us feedback on next steps. We have seen enormous progress in children's writing since beginning the programme and training 18 months ago and we look forward to continuing this area of development.

We have noticed a number of older children climbing on the equipment, playing football and riding their scooters on the playground and in the EYFS garden. Please could we kindly remind you that play equipment, including balls etc should not be used before and after school. Thank for your support in keeping everyone safe during this time.

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 21.03.25)
94.41%	94.86%

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



Reception Talk for Writing Session

Reception class will be inviting parents/carers to come into school on 4th April at 2.15 for a Tell Me a Story session. The session will take place in your child's classroom.

Year 2 Talk for Writing Session

Year 2 are opening their doors and inviting parents/carers to come and watch or participate with a Talk for Writing lesson on Tuesday 25th March from 08:45 – 09:30. We look forward to you hopefully joining us.

Red Nose Day 2025

So far together we have raised: £183.00 for Red Nose Day 2025, the link will remain open for further donations.

Just Giving Red Nose Day

A huge thank you for all of your support and our amazing school council who helped during the cake sale!

Dental Screenings Wednesday 26th March

Beechcroft Dental Practice are in school on Wednesday to carry out dental screenings for those children who's parent/carers have opted in by completing the relevant paperwork. Forms will be sent home after the screening detailing any follow up examination/treatments required. Parents/carers will then be required to contact Beechcroft to register their child if they would like to continue with the treatment.

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 19th May at 2.00pm

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 – spaces still available contact Nicky on spotoncoaching1@gmail.com

Boogie Bouncy – Tuesdays 3.00 – 3.45pm

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 for after Easter holidays.

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

School Hall 16.00-17.00

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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

My School Fund

My School Fund is an exciting initiative that combines the spending power of parents, guardians and carers in order to boost school and nursery budgets. By registering, individuals can link their spend to their chosen school or nursery, meaning every time they make a purchase with participating retailers, both will benefit through this innovative cashback scheme.

For every £1 spent with participating retailers, 1% will go to the school or nursery (terms and conditions apply) and 2% will go to the individual. Over time, this figure will add up and can be redeemed in the form of e-gift cards that can be spent online or in-store with participating retailers.

Sign up or find out more information via www.myschoolfund.org

Easter Holiday Activities



🎾 **Easter Holiday Tennis Camps at Taverham Tennis Club & Hellesdon Community Tennis!** 🎾

Looking for an exciting activity this Easter? Sign up for our **Easter Holiday Tennis Camps** at **Taverham Tennis Club** and **Hellesdon Community Tennis**! Open to **5-15-year-olds**, these fun-filled sessions are perfect for beginners and young players to **learn tennis skills, stay active, and make new friends**. Don't miss out!

📅 **Dates & Booking:** Click here to sign up

💡 **Pupil Premium Funded Places:** Available via Every Move Norfolk

📎 **Flyer Attached – Please Share!**

Dates for the diary

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

March		
24th		Author Visit
25th	8.45-9.30	Yr2 Parents short burst writing English lesson
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	2.15	Reception Tell Me a Story Parent Session
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
19th	2.00pm	Parents Forum
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
9th		Otter class Sheringham park trip
10th		Fox class Sheringham park trip
12th		Squirrel class Sheringham trip
20th		Class Photos
23rd – 27th		Health and Wellbeing Week
24th		Sports Day
July		
15th	9.00am	Parents Forum
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.

September 2024

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August 2025

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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.