Drayton Community Infant School

Weekly Newsletter

05/05/25



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

I have some honest serving men, they help in all I do,
Their names are: What and Why and When
and How and Where and Who.
Then there are two others, whose names are Can and Will,
They often whirl round in my head, my brain is never still.
I learn by asking questions, it helps me as I grow.
Working to give me knowledge, answering things I need to know.

Dear Families

We hope you all had a lovely bank holiday weekend.

We have had ongoing concerns regarding the safety of children entering and exiting the school site across the carpark. There are a number of families entering the school site via the green gate which is primarily for access to our neighbouring buildings and wrap around club. When accessing the school through these gates it means adults and children are walking, biking and scootering across a busy car park. We appreciate the location of the bike shed is not ideal and within the next few weeks, a new bike and scooter shed for the children will be built inside the school grounds.

Please could we ask that all adults and children enter and exit the school site via the pedestrian gate (opposite the wooden fencing and gate onto the playground), walking along the path on school road rather than cutting through. If children are coming to school on bikes and scooters, these should be walked to the shed via the main path at the front of the school. Please could adults remind children to come off their bikes and scooters when entering the school site and escort them to the shed to ensure full supervision.

On more positive news, Myself and Mrs Boyce had the pleasure of seeing so many children with amazing work last week. All the children have come back from Easter recharged and are working extremely hard. As a school we have been working hard on improving the teaching of writing and what we're seeing in the children's books is incredible!

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 02.05.25)
96.8%	96.06%

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

Parking outside of school

Please could we remind families to be considerate when parking in and around the school. It has been noticed that cars have been parking opposite the main school gates. This is causing enormous problems with the flow of traffic on the road as well as access to the school carpark.

Long term, we have been informed yellow lines will be added to this area. While we wait for these to be completed, please could we ask that you refrain from parking here.

Trips

Reception – Banham Zoo Thursday 19th June 2025
Yr 1 – Blicking Hall Thursday 12th June 2025
Yr 2 – Sheringham Park – Otter Monday 9th June, Fox Tuesday 10th June, Squirrel Thursday 12th June

Letters regarding all trips along with consent forms have been sent out to parents/carers via Weduc. Payments for trips requiring contributions need to be made via Pupil Asset, along with lunch selections by deadlines stated in the letter.

Parent Forum

The minutes from the last meeting have been added to the website and will be sent out by WEDUC

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

EHCP REVIEW



Dear Families If your child has an EHCP we need to meet for the annual review. The meeting will last for about 90mins. If we are applying for an EHCP for your child, please could I arrange to meet with you Meetings can be booked via the office of either school or with me on the gate. I am on one of the school sites every day as I work full time. I can be contacted via either school office or for SEND needs only I can be contacted on partnershipsenco@istnorfolk.co.uk. All other contact through the school office please.
Best wishes Mrs Lou Boyce Deputy Head Drayton Infants/ SENCO at Drayton and Nightingale Infant and Nursery

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 for this term, contact Nicky on spotoncoaching1@gmail.com

Boogie Bouncy – Tuesdays 3.00 – 3.45pm – currently full.

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 – Space still available.

Singing Club – Monday 3.00- 3.45pm – Book via school office.

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

Dates for the diary

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

May		
5th		School Closed May Bank Holiday
15th		Invitation only – High level needs Cafe
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 park trip
12th		Yr 1 Trip to Blickling Hall
19th		Reception Trip to Banham Zoo
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.

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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.