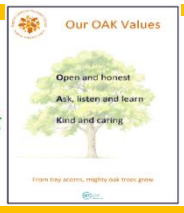
# Drayton Community Infant School

## Weekly Newsletter

17/11/25








Open and honest
Ask Listen and Learn
Kind and Caring

Have you ever been too worried to ask a question?? Concerned you will make a fool of yourself? We talked about this in our Assembly this morning. There are no silly questions. The children are going to use their Superpower of question asking this week .....




OAK VALUE this week is **ASK**

Dear Families,

Parents Evenings this week. Please be mindful of other families and keep to your time slot. Teachers are very time conscious, and it can be hard sometimes to bring the meeting to a close. You are welcome to ask for another meeting if there is more to discuss. Thank you for your understanding.

Christmas is coming and all our events are on the poster that accompanies this newsletter. We are looking forward to the festive season and hope the elves don't cause too much chaos for you all!

Mrs Hutt, Mrs Boyce & The DCIS Team

## Attendance

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

| Attendance last week | Attendance this term (up to 14.11.25) |
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| 95.98% | 95.80% |

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

## Safeguarding

**Anti-Bullying Week 2025**

Last week, it was Anti-Bullying week 2025.

At Drayton Community Infant School, we have a zero-tolerance approach to bullying, and we continue to work together to ensure every child feels safe, valued, and respected.

You can find out more about bullying and how to support children by following the link provided here. NSPCC bullying

**Healthy adult relationships.**

Healthy adult relationships help children feel secure and supported. Taking time to communicate openly, share responsibilities, and seek help when needed can make a significant difference to family life.

If you or someone you know is feeling isolated, at risk, vulnerable, or experiencing any form of abuse, support is available. You can find advice and guidance through the **SupportLine** website: **www.supportline.org.uk**

## Phonics & SPAG Workshops

Come along to watch a phonics lesson with your child. This is a great opportunity to see how phonics is taught and how your child learns new phonemes. In Year 2 they continue from Little Wandle phonics to a Little Wandle Bridge to Spelling lesson.

**Reception: Thursday 27th November 2025**

Mole – 9.00 - 9.30am

Hedgehog – 2.15-2.45pm

**Year 1: Tuesday 25th November 2025**

9.00 - 9.30am

**Year 2: Monday 24th November 2025**

SPAG session – 9.00-9.30am

## Hair and earrings at school

It is our preference that children with shoulder or longer length hair have their hair tied up, especially if the hair is a distraction or barrier to learning (i.e. over the child's eyes) or if they have Art or PE that day. If longer hair is down at school, please ensure the child has a hair band with them should they need to put their hair up during the day. Sometimes there can be a change in the day's activities.

It is also more hygienic at lunch time to have hair up and it prevents the spread of headlice.

Earrings. Please take out earrings for PE days if possible. Children with earrings will have them covered with tape to participate in PE.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## Reception: Our Community

This term Reception are learning about the different people who live and work in our community. We will look at lots of different jobs that grown-ups do; police, paramedics, shopkeepers, refuse workers, vets, nurses, dentists, doctors, farmers etc... (just to name a few!)

If you would like to come into your child's class to talk about what you do when you go to work, please let us know! We really value your involvement in our curriculum, and the children love hearing about what they could be when they grow up!

## Parent Forum

Please consider being the Forum representative for your class. We currently have parents from Fox Class and Hedgehog Class, and now Squirrel but we really need more parents on the Forum. We have one meeting every half term for one hour. This half term our meeting will focus on 'What would parents like to see change?'

If you were on the Forum before and would like to continue or are a new parent to the forum, please speak to Claire in the office.

## Yr1 Church Visit

On Thursday 4th December our year 1 children will visit St Margaret's Church to learn all about Christingle. They will leave school at 9.30am and return at 11.00am.

If anyone would like to volunteer to help with the outing the year 1 team would be very grateful. Please fill in the form below if you would like to help.

Parent Helper Form

## Christmas Toy Donation Appeal

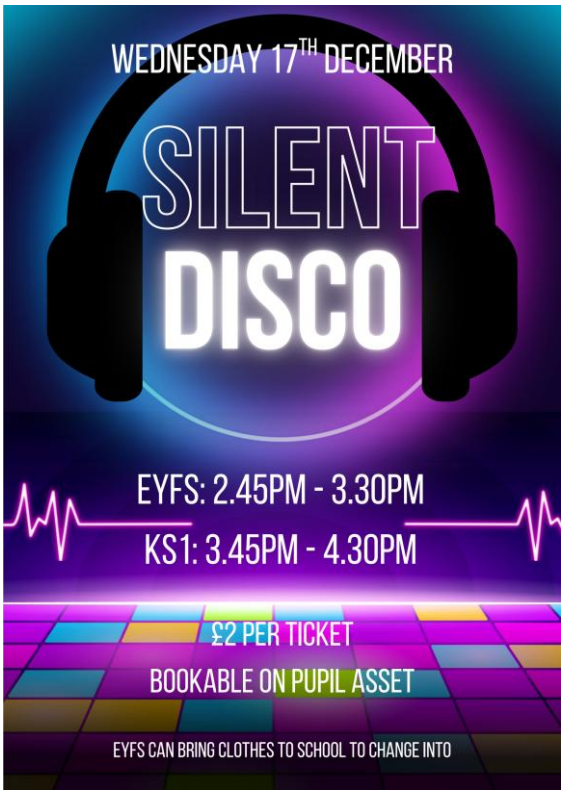



Broadland and South Norfolk District Councils are launching their annual toy donation drive, collecting new toys donated by residents and businesses across the area. Please follow the link for further information and drop off points in the area.

https://www.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/christmas-toy-donation-appeal

# Christmas at Drayton



# Festive Events at Drayton Infants

Thursday 4th December - 9.30 - 11.00am Year 1 Church Visit

Monday 8th December - 9.00-10.00 - Reception Classes - Story with Santa
Monday 8th December - Last date for Christmas Raffle tickets to be returned

Tuesday 9th December - 9.00-10.00 - Year 1 Classes - Story with Santa
Tuesday 9th December - 2.00-3.00 - Reception Nativity - Parents Invited - 1 ticket per show, details to follow

Wednesday 10th December - 9.00-10.00 - Year 2 Classes - Story with Santa
Wednesday 10th December - 10.00-11.00 - Reception Nativity - Parents Invited - 1 ticket per show, details to follow.

Friday 12th December - Rev Mark visiting to lead a Christmas Assembly for the children
Friday 12th December - Christmas Raffle to be drawn (school will contact winners to arrange collection)

Monday 15th December - 2.30-3.30 - Drama Club Performance - Parents Invited, details to follow

Tuesday 16th December - 2.00 - 3.00pm Year 1 Christmas Story Café and Carols - Parents Invited to join

Wednesday 17th December - Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 17th December - Christmas Dinner Day - (Roast option available only)
Wednesday 17th December 2.45-3.30 (Reception Classes) - Christmas Silent Disco
Wednesday 17th December 3.45-4.30 (Year 1 and Year 2 Classes) - Christmas Silent Disco

Thursday 18th December 9.30-10.00 - Year 2 Carol Concert - Parents Invited - 1 ticket per show, details to follow.

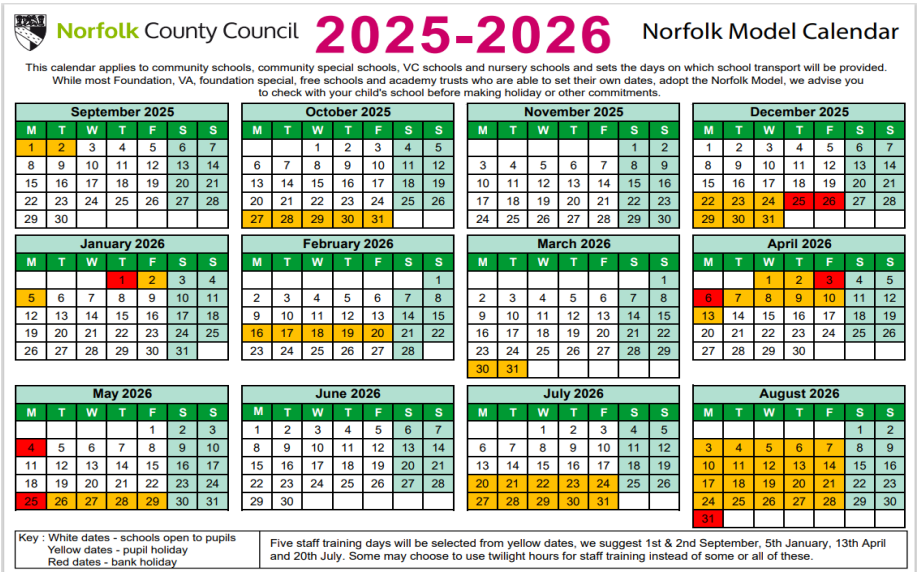
Friday 19th December 2.30-3.00 - Year 2 Carol Concert - Parents Invited - 1 ticket per show, details to follow.

# Dates for the diary

| Reception – Yellow | Year 1 – Blue | Year 2 – Green | Whole school –NO COLOUR | KS1(Y1&Y2) - Grey |
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| **November** | | |
| 18th | 3.30 – 6.00pm | Parents Evening (Booking closed) |
| 20th | 3.30 – 6.00pm | Parents Evening (Booking closed) |
| 24th | 9.00 – 9.30am | Year 2 Phonics and SPAG Workshop |
| 25th | 9.00 – 9.30am | Year 1 Phonics and SPAG Workshop |
| 27th | 9.00 – 9.30pm | Mole - Phonics and SPAG Workshop |
| | 2.15 - 2.45pm | Hedgehog – Phonics and SPAG Workshop |
| **December** | | |
| 4th | 9.30-11.00am | Yr 1 Church Visit |
| 8th | 9.00am | Reception Story with Santa |
| 9th | | Reception Height and Weight Checks |
| 9th | 9.00am | Yr1 Story with Santa |
| 9th | 2.00 – 3.00pm | EYFS Nativity Show to Parents - Show 1 |
| 10th | 9.00am | Yr2 Story with Santa |
| 10th | 10.00 – 11.00am | EYFS Nativity Show to Parents – Show 2 |
| 15th | 2.30 – 3.00pm | Drama Club Performance to Parents |
| 16th | 2.00-3.00pm | Yr1 Christmas Story Café and Songs |
| 17th | | Christmas Dinner |
| 17th | 2.45-3.30pm | EYFS Xmas Disco (Silent Disco) |
| 17th | 3.45-4.30pm | KS1 Xmas Disco (Silent Disco) |
| 18th | 9.30 - 10.00am | Yr2 Christmas Carol Service |
| 19th | 2.30 – 3.00pm | Yr2 Christmas Carol Service |
| 19th | | Last day of term – Christmas Holidays |
| **January** | | |
| 6th | | School Reopens for Spring Term 1 |
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# Term dates



Norfolk County Council **2025-2026** 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 1st & 2nd September, 5th January, 13th April and 20th July. Some may choose to use twilight hours for staff training instead of some or all of these.