Drayton Community Infant School

Weekly Newsletter

16/03/2026





Open and Honest

Ask Listen and Learn

Kind and Confident

In assembly this morning we read the story On the Way Home. In the story Claire has hurt her knee and she tells her friends many fantastical ways that she hurt it. We then talked about how it is very important to tell the truth even if that is hard. We talked about how telling a grown up exactly what happened is very important so we can help the situation.
When we talk to the children, we always use the language of 'remember our OAK value of being open and honest'. The children are often heard using this phrase too.

Dear Families,

We continually review our safety measures in place and in light of the events at a local high school last week, we are bringing the review of our lockdown and evacuation procedures forward.

The safety of our pupils and staff is always our top priority. Procedures we have in place are consistent with national practice across schools and incorporate the requirements of Martyn's Law. We continually practice our evacuation procedures with the children, with the most recent taking place in February. The children evacuated the building quickly and quietly.

With such young children, there is a fine balance needed in regard to ensuring they know what to do in an event of needing to lockdown while not creating worry and panic. We speak with the children in an age appropriate way regarding why we might need to stay in the school and what we should do. Some examples may be an animal on the loose or a stranger onsite. Following a further review this week we will ensure information is sent to you, outlining all of the procedures in place. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the senior leadership team.

Have a great week.

Sarah Hutt and Lou Boyce and 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 13.03.26)
97.04%	95.82%

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

Safeguarding

Safeguarding Information for Parents

At our school, the safety and wellbeing of all children is our highest priority. If you ever have a safeguarding concern about a child outside of school hours, it is important that this is reported so the right support can be provided.

If you believe a child is at immediate risk of harm, please call **999**.

If you have a concern about the safety or wellbeing of a child, you can contact **Norfolk Children's Advice and Duty Service (CADS)** on **0344 800 8020**. A member of the team will listen to your concerns and advise on the next steps.

If the concern relates to a pupil at our school, you can also inform the school so that we can support where appropriate.

Thank you for helping us to keep children safe.

School SEND register

If you know your child is on the school SEND register but you have not yet signed an acknowledgement slip please see Lou Boyce (partnershipsenco@istnorfolk.co.uk - to be used for SEND queries only) or the school office. They will then be able to issue you with one.

What is a school SEND register -

So, what is the SEN Register/SEN Support?

There are some school-age children who require additional teaching and support alongside the standard curriculum and schedule. These children, if they are making less than expected, are added to the SEN register and identified as requiring SEN Support. This is a dynamic list that children can be added to or removed from at any time, depending on how appropriate it is to their needs. The SEN Register must be managed following guidance from the SEND Code of Practice but it is not a guarantee of specific provision for your child.

The staff are currently updating the targets on the SSPs Student Support Plans. If your child is in on the SEND support register, then the new updated targets should be shared with you.

Olympian Visit Sponsorship

We are delighted to announce total sponsorship raised following our Olympian visit was **£2,113.95**

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in the event.

Parents Evening 21st and 23rd April

Parents evening will take place on Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd April. Booking will open on Thursday 19th April via the link below.

Parents Evening Booking

Red Nose Day – 20th March



The children are invited to come to school dressed in red for the day.

Please donate to Comic Relief either via the QR codes on the posters around the school or via the link below:

Donate to Comic Relief

Snacks in School

As you will know, the government provides each child a piece of fruit daily to enjoy at snack time. We are seeing an increasing number of additional snacks coming into school. Please be reminded that any snacks being brought into school for playtime must be in a named pot, should be separate to their lunch box and should not be in any disposable packaging.

The following snacks are permitted:

- Fruit & vegetables
- Cheese
- Savory crackers or breadsticks
- Savory snack such as a sausage roll or cheese straw

Crisps, sweet, biscuits and chocolate are not permitted.

Year 2 Local Visit to Littlewood – Tuesday 17th March

Year 2 Children will be visiting Littlewood on Tuesday, don't forget:

School uniform will need to be worn with legs covered, school jumper/cardigan and suitable footwear (children will wear welly boots they have at school if it is wet so please ensure these are in school ready).

Your child will need to bring the following:

- A named full bottle of water only
- A named raincoat

School Uniform Swap Shop
Wednesday 25th March
2:45pm-3:15pm in the school hall



Book Fair Rewards

Thank you to everyone who came to our Book Fair. We raised £240 for our school. This money has been spent on new books for each classroom. Every class received 4 new books!

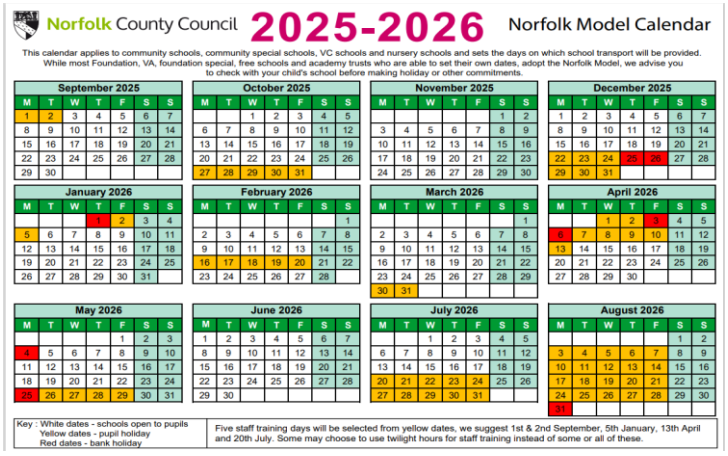


Dates for the diary

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

March		
17th March	pm	Year 2 Littlewood walk
20th March		Red Nose Day
20th March	6.30-7.30	Family Prize Bingo night at school - CANCELLED
27th March	2.40-3.00	Year 1 Book Look
27th March		Last day Spring Term 2
April		
14th April		School re-opens Summer Term 1
21st & 23rd		Parents Evenings (details to follow)
May		
13th May		Class Photos
4th May		School Closed Bank Holiday
22nd May		Last day Summer Term 1
June		
1st June		School re-opens Summer Term 2
8th, 9th, 10th		Reception Vision and Hearing Screenings.
22nd		Sports Day
July		
17th July		Last day Summer Term 2

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.

September 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 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.