Drayton Community Infant School

Weekly Newsletter

05/10/2026

Dear Families,

Please could I remind you about parking outside of the school. There should be no parking on the double yellow lines or bumping up on the paths and grass verges. Not only does this cause friction between the school and our neighbours and cause severe traffic jams on School road, more importantly it is putting the children and families at risk who are walking and trying to cross and walk safely. We appreciate like near many schools, parking is difficult so leaving more time to park further away and walk is needed to keep everyone safe. Neighbours and the school have been advised to report any illegal parking to local police. We continue to communicate with Highways and the local police to discuss our concerns about the safety of children travelling to and from school.

We hope you have a lovely 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 02.10.26)
96.48%	94.91%

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

Phonics Morning

Thank you to all the families who attended the phonics morning today. Thank you also to our wonderful English Lead Miss Higgins for hosting. Miss Higgins has led on Phonics for a few years now and your children's phonic knowledge and use is super. Well done and thank you. Miss Higgins will post some links from the presentation this morning.

Classroom Concert



Each year every child at Drayton will take part in a classroom concert. Parents/guardians will be invited into classrooms to watch their child perform something that they have been working on in music. Our first classroom concert is by Fox Class. Fox class parents/guardians are invited to watch their child perform on Tuesday 13th October at 2:50pm. Please enter the school via the gate as usual and make your way into Fox class, the doors will be open for you. We look forward to seeing you then! All children will have a turn at performing this year. Keep an eye on the newsletter for the next performance!

School Values

The Value Voles met last week, and we would like you to let us know what you think of our idea

The ACORN code

A – Always try your best

C – be caring and kind

O – be open and honest

R – be ready to learn

N – never stop trying

These would replace the OAK values – it would be great to hear what you think about our idea of The Acorn Code. The Voles will be asking their classes for their thoughts this week.

Open Evenings



KS1 Christmas Colouring Club



If your child is interest in taking part, please fill in the form below. Spaces are limited and will be offered on a first come basis, the club is open to Year 1 and 2 children. Parents will be informed by 16th October whether their child has been allocated a place.

Christmas Colouring Club Sign Up Form

Lego Education Tokens Here



Help us win £1,000 of LEGO® Education resources!

We're taking part in the LEGO® Education Token Collect Competition and need your help!

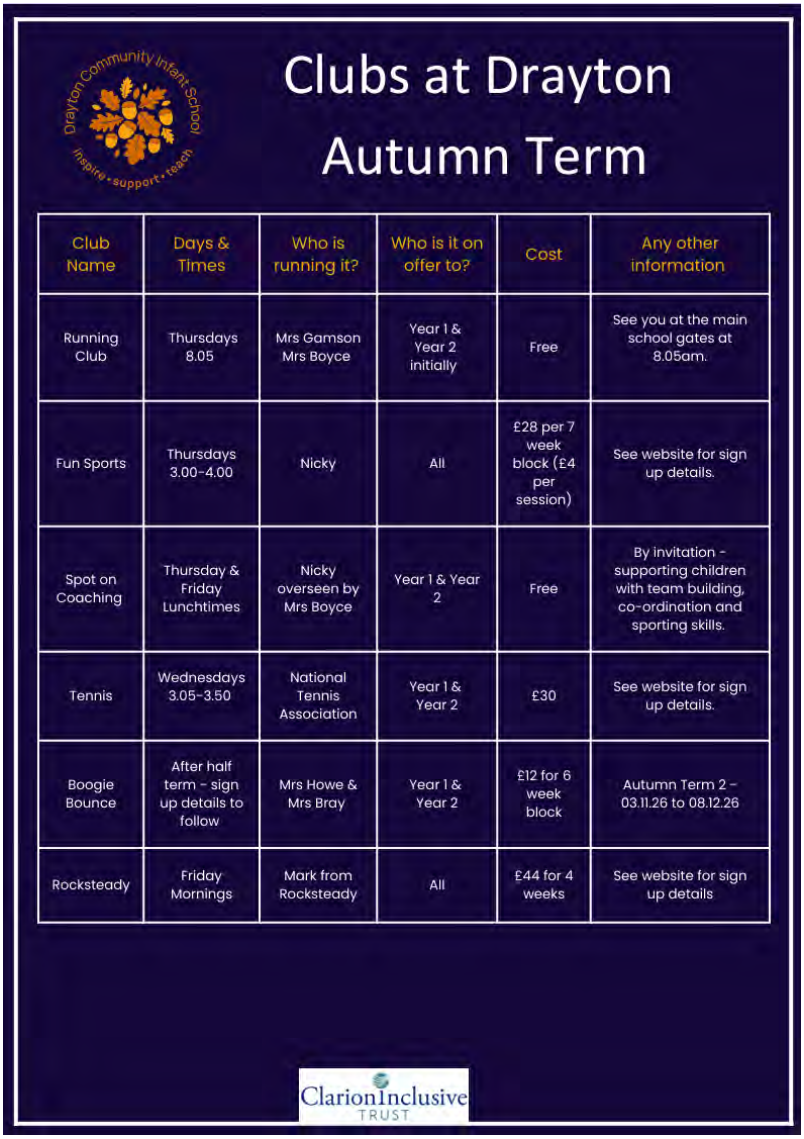
From 26th September to 5th November, tokens will be printed in your local newspaper. The more tokens our school collects, the greater our chance of winning fantastic LEGO® Education resources worth up to £1,000. Tokens will be printed in Eastern Daily Press and Norwich Evening News.

Thank you for supporting our school and helping us bring more LEGO® Education resources into the classroom!

School Photos

Van Cols will be in school this Friday, 9th October, for school photos please ensure your child comes to school in correct school uniform. If your child has PE on Friday, they will need to wear PE kit on the bottom half with school jumper/cardigan and polo shirt on the top.

Clubs at Drayton



Club Name	Days & Times	Who is running it?	Who is it on offer to?	Cost	Any other information
Running Club	Thursdays 8.05	Mrs Gamson Mrs Boyce	Year 1 & Year 2 initially	Free	See you at the main school gates at 8.05am.
Fun Sports	Thursdays 3.00-4.00	Nicky	All	£28 per 7 week block (£4 per session)	See website for sign up details.
Spot on Coaching	Thursday & Friday Lunchtimes	Nicky overseen by Mrs Boyce	Year 1 & Year 2	Free	By invitation - supporting children with team building, co-ordination and sporting skills.
Tennis	Wednesdays 3.05-3.50	National Tennis Association	Year 1 & Year 2	£30	See website for sign up details.
Boogie Bounce	After half term - sign up details to follow	Mrs Howe & Mrs Bray	Year 1 & Year 2	£12 for 6 week block	Autumn Term 2 - 03.11.26 to 08.12.26
Rocksteady	Friday Mornings	Mark from Rocksteady	All	£44 for 4 weeks	See website for sign up details

Events/Clubs



[Tennis Camp Booking Link]









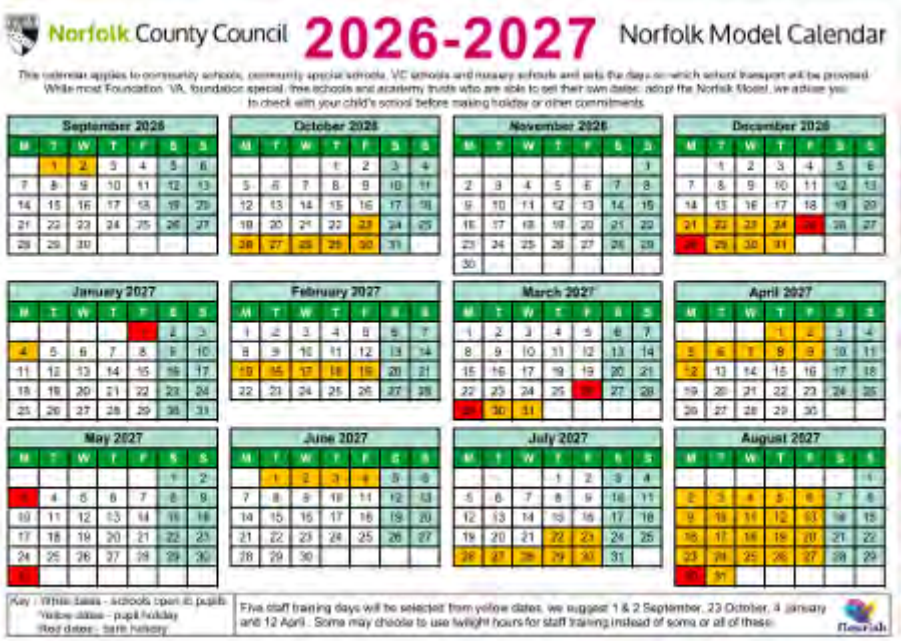
Booking Link

Dates for the diary

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

October		
5th Oct	9.00am	Parents/Carers event – English phonics and reading meeting 9.00am
5th Oct		Catch up Flu Vaccinations
5th Oct	2.30pm	Fundraising Meeting – School Hall
9th Oct		School Photos
13th Oct	2:50pm	Fox Classroom Concert
22nd Oct		Last Day of Term - Autumn 1
November		
2nd Nov		First Day of Term – Autumn 2
2nd Nov		Reception National Child Measurement Programme
10th Nov	9.00am	Reception **Mole** class parents/carer to watch their child's phonics lesson
10th Nov	2.15pm	Reception **Hedgehog** class parents/carers to watch their child's phonics lesson times
12th Nov	9.00am	Year 1 parents/carers to watch their child's phonics lesson at 9.00am
13th Nov		Children in Need – details to follow
24th & 26th Nov		Parents Evening – details to follow

Term dates


Norfolk County Council
2026-2027
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 2026
October 2026
November 2026
December 2026
January 2027
February 2027
March 2027
April 2027
May 2027
June 2027
July 2027
August 2027
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 1 & 2 September, 23 October, 4 January and 12 April . Some may choose to use twilight hours for staff training instead of some or all of these.
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