Drayton Community Infant School

Weekly Newsletter

16/11/2026

Dear Families,

Please be reminded that next week is parents evening. This year's arrangements will look slightly different, with Year 1 and 2 meetings happening in the hall, and reception classes in their classrooms. This is to ensure the safety of everyone, including children who are still on site after school.

If your child is in Year 1 or Year 2, please wait in the library where the teacher will come to collect you. The waiting area for reception classes will be in the area outside their classrooms in the corridor. We're aware time is limited and teachers try to keep to time as best as they can. We recommend you don't arrive more than 5 minutes before your appointment.

We look forward to welcoming you into school to discuss your child's progress and next steps.

Have a good 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 13.11.26)
94.86%	95.76%

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

After School Club collection

We have had a period of staff absence at After School Club and we appreciate your patience. In future, if you are collecting your child at the end of the day and they are not going into their booked after schoolclub session please collect from the office and sign them out there. This is how we sign children out in the school day and if the child should be attending club, then this is not the end of their day. This is to keep everyone safe. Class teachers will not release your child to you at the end of the school day if they are marked as going to after school club. The class staff will bring them to the office to meet you.

Reception Nativity – Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th December

Tickets for Receptions Christmas Performance will be coming home next Monday 23rd November. Each child will receive one ticket for each performance, tickets may be exchanged with other parents if required.

EYFS Our Local Community



The children in reception will be learning all about their local community this half term. We would love for the children to get involved at home by taking photographs of places in their community and adding them to Tapestry. This will create a wonderful opportunity for the children to share their own experiences of their community with us.

Where do you go shopping? What park do you play at? Do you have a favourite takeaway shop? What library do you visit?

We would love to see some of the places you visit in the local community. We look forward to sharing your photographs next week.

Year 1 Christingle Church Visit

Year 1 will be visiting St Margaret's Church on **Friday the 4th of December** to learn about Christingle and how this traditional symbol represents Christmas and the story of the Nativity. We will be leaving school at approximately **9am** and returning to school by **11am**. Each class will need some parent volunteers to accompany us on the walk to and from St Margaret's.

Please fill in the form if you are available to support on the day: Helper Form



Curriculum Information and Home Learning

We are pleased to let you know that you can find out all about what your child will be learning throughout the year by viewing our curriculum long-term plans on the school website.

KS1 Parents/carers (Years 1 and 2)
Our long-term plans provide an overview of learning across the year. Each term, we will adding hyperlinks so that you can click on individual subjects to find out more detailed information about what your child will be learning. These pages will also link directly to home learning activities for each half term.

You can access the KS1 curriculum here:

KS1 Curriculum

Please note that on some devices you may need to download the document for all hyperlinks to work correctly.

EYFS Parents/carers (Nursery and Reception)
You will continue to receive regular updates about your child's learning through Tapestry. However, you can also find more information about our EYFS curriculum on the website here:

EYFS Curriculum

We always welcome feedback and are continually striving to provide families with clear, informative and up-to-date information about their child's learning. Please bear with us while some areas of the website are being updated and enhanced over the coming weeks.

Thank you for your continued support.

Events



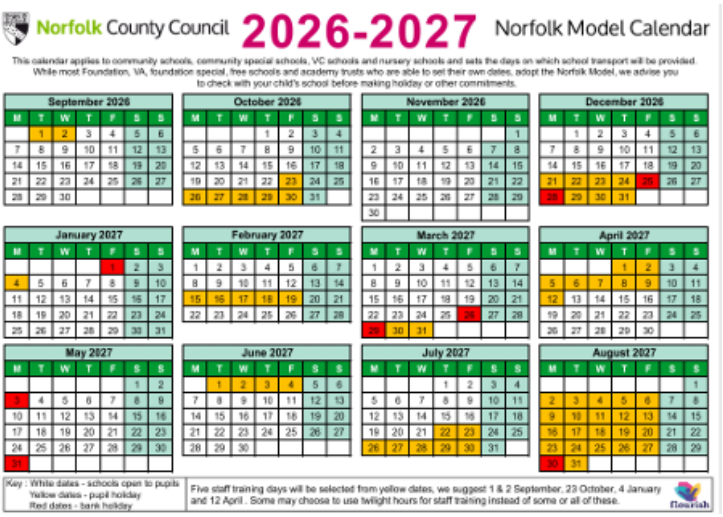


Dates for the diary

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

November		
24th & 26th Nov		Parents Evening
December		
4th Dec		Year 1 Christingle Church Visit
7th Dec	am	Santa Visit
8th Dec	am	Santa Visit
8th Dec	2.00-3.00pm	Yr R Nativity to parents
9th Dec	9.15-10.15am	Yr R Nativity to parents
11th Dec	9.15am	Rocksteady Concert – performance to parents of Rocksteady children.
15th Dec		Xmas Lunch – wear your Xmas jumper
16th Dec	am	Santa Visit
16th Dec	2.00-3.00pm	Squirrel Class Xmas Crafts
17th Dec	2.00-3.00pm	Rabbit Class Xmas Crafts
18th Dec	10.00-11.00am	Yr 2 Carol Concert
18th Dec	2.00-3.00pm	Yr 2 Carol Concert

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

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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 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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