# Nightingale Infant and Nursery School
# Weekly Newsletter
# 07.01.2025

Nightingale Families,

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to the new year at Nightingale. We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. We're excited for the spring term in school. It's always very busy with lots of new learning. The staff have put together some useful information outlining the plans for this half term as well as some ideas for home learning. The children love sharing their work with you, so this term we will be inviting you to 'book looks'. This is an opportunity to come into class and give your child the chance to share their books and work from last term. Please check the dates below regularly for updates.

Mrs Kingsley, Mrs Hutt and the Nightingale Team

## Attendance




Should your child/ren be absent from school for a reason which we cannot authorise, we would still appreciate being informed and the truthful reason for the absence provided.

Unfortunately, we have had some instances of parents providing dishonest reasons for their child/ren's absence, and furthermore – some also asking their child/ren to also be dishonest about their absence. This puts them in a very awkward position as all the children here strive to follow our FLOCK value of being Open and Honest.

If we find this is the case, we will subsequently mark the absence as unauthorised (and if the absence meets the criteria for a Penalty Notice Fine - the local authority will be made aware).

We are more than willing to support you in any way that we can with your child/ren's attendance, but we can only do this if parents are honest with us.

We appreciate your support with this and thank the vast majority of you who are Open and Honest.

Please be reminded of the school hours below. Arrivals after 8.55 will be marked as late and children are required to sign in via the school office. Parents/carers will be required to fill in a late form which will be put on your child's file. We continue to monitor attendance and punctuality. You will receive a record of your child's attendance shortly and again after each term.

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| **8.35am** | **Gates Open** |
| **8.45am** | **Classroom doors open** |
| **8.55am** | **Gates Closed**<br>**Classroom doors close** |
| **3.15pm** | **End of the school day** |

Attendance – Reception/Year 1/Year 2

| Attendance w/c 16.12.2024 | Attendance last term |
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| **88.13%** | **93.47%** |

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




## Polite Notice

We appreciate in the run up to Christmas with everything being so busy, but please can we remind you that school gates close at 8:55am in the morning and school ends at 3:15pm.

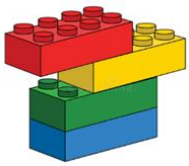
We are seeing an increasing number of children being dropped off late and being picked up late, especially in nursery. Unless there is a pre-arranged agreement, please ensure children are on time. Children being on time means they do not miss important parts of their day- every minute counts!

## Lego Club

Miss. Rayner is running Lego Club on a **Wednesday** in Spring Term 1 for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children.

Sessions:

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| **Dates** | **15th Jan, 22nd Jan, 29th Jan, 5th Feb, 12th Feb** |
| **Time** | **3.15pm-3.45pm** |



If you would like to sign up your child, please email via Weduc, 'Lego Club' in subject line. Please include your child's name and class in a content box. Mrs. Quinn will reply to confirm your child's place. Thank you.

## Thank you



**Cake sales**

We raised **£125.35** from the Cake Sale in December.

A big thank you to everyone who donated lovely cakes and parents/carers who made generous donations. The money will go towards to fund the coming school trips for all children.



**The Friends Christmas Fair**

The Friends raised in total **£734.68**! Thank you very much for the Friends for their hard work organising the event and parent helpers who came and helped on the day.

## Parents Overviews and Home Learning

Parents Overviews and Home Learning information were sent via Weduc before Christmas holidays. Just in case you have missed it, it can be also viewed on our website.

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| Nursery | https://www.nightingaleinfant.co.uk/nursery/ |
| Year 1 & Year 2 | https://www.nightingaleinfant.co.uk/information/curriculum/ks1-curriculum/ |
| Reception | https://www.nightingaleinfant.co.uk/information/curriculum/eyfs-curriculum/ |

## NHS Pharmacy First Service

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that can help children feel better and back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service.

There is no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local Boots pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service.

Support for the following conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply):

| **Common condition** | **Patient eligibility** |
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| Earache | 1 to 17 years |
| Impetigo | 1 year and over |
| Infected insect bites and stings | 1 year and over |
| Sore throats | 5 years and over |
| Sinusitis | 12 years and over |
| Uncomplicated urinary tract | Women 16 to 64 years |
| Shingles | 18 years and over |

More information can be found:
**https://www.england.nhs.uk/primary-care/pharmacy/pharmacy-services/pharmacy-first/**

# Dates for the diary

| January 2025 | | |
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| Tuesday | 07.01.2025 | First day of Spring term |
| Wednesday | 15.01.2025 | Lego club starts every Wednesday until 12.02.2025 |

| February2025 | | |
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| Friday | 14.02.2025 | Last day of Spring term 1 |
| Monday | 24.02.2025 | School re-opens after half term |

| March 2025 | | |
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| Thursday | 20.03.2025 | Year 2 Active Maths Festival (10 children) |

# 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.

**September 2024**

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**June 2025**

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**July 2025**

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**August 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 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.