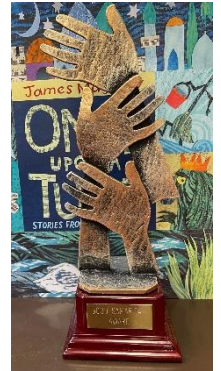


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Dear Parents/Carers,

This term we launched the 'Good Samaritan Award' and reading the children's nominations has quickly become one of the highlights of the week. It has been a real pleasure to share so many of the children's kind, thoughtful, appreciative comments in Friday's Achievement Assembly. The important friends who are always there for us has been shared, plus those who reach out to others at playtimes and those who look after children who are hurt. Nominators are asked to give reasons for their nominations. It is proving to be a great way to learn all about the many Good Samaritans at Drayton.

Very best wishes, Mrs Alison Read



What has been happening at Drayton Juniors?



YEAR 6: Thank you to all of our amazing Year 6 pupils, their families and the awesome Year 6 teaching team. The children's behaviour and approach to KS2 SATS last week was commendable, being testament to the fantastic preparation and support they have around them. Their Rocket Project during SATS week created a great deal of fun, as well as some brilliant designs and staggering fliers! This was followed up with a very successful residential at Eaton Vale. A special thank you to Mrs Finch who led this trip, as well as Mrs Gill who led the activities for the Year 6 in school – their pizza making looked like a scrummy

afternoon's work! Today Year 6 welcomed a final year medical student to round off their Science topic on the Heart and Circulatory System by learning all about the stethoscope and posing some great questions.

HOOT WITH ME IN YEAR 3: 'Tonya from 'Hoot With Me' came with her three owls: Arthur, the Tawny Owl, Ethel the Little Owl and Jonny the Barn Owl. She told us all about what they eat such as: mice, worms and bugs, but voles are their favourite food. They have special feathers because if one feather gets damaged, they have to live with it until they moult again and grow again. The Barn Owl has asymmetrical ear. If an owl has black or dark brown eyes, it hunts at night, but if its eyes are light green or yellow, they hunt in the day. When the owls eat voles, the bones, the fur and the skin are made into an egg shape called a pellet.'



Thank you for the information 3H, just goes to show much you learnt from the visit.

DJS GARDENING NEWS: Mrs Plane has been very busy in the DJS garden: the Year 3 Eco Group have planted potatoes; 3H have planted Purple French Beans; 4B have planted Runner Beans and when Mr Smith has repaired the beds, courgettes and Butternut Squash will be going in. We await the worms to arrive for our wormery, as well as the guttering for the sheds, kindly donated by P.N Installations. Please do contact the school if you would like to support gardening at DJS. It is a brilliant outdoor activity to support children's well-being, resulting (fingers crossed) in some tasty, nutritious vegetables.

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION: When we return to school after half-term, the children from each class will be spending some time looking at modern architecture and learning about some of the architects who are responsible for designing some of our most iconic buildings. The exact dates for this have not yet been arranged, but we hope that it will be something that all year groups will enjoy.



In preparation for this, we are inviting you all to take part in a photography competition. This competition is entirely optional but it could be something fun to do over the half-term.

The theme of the competition will be Looking Up and we hope to encourage children to look up and observe some of the amazing buildings and structures that are around us.

All entries will be displayed in school and the winners will be announced on Wednesday 15th June. Entries can be emailed to the school office: admin@draytonjunior.norfolk.sch.uk

YEAR 3 JUBILEE FUNDRAISER: With the Year 3 trips to Thrigby and Hautbois Activity Centre taking place this term, the Year 3 team are keen to subsidise the cost of these trips if at all possible. (There is a planned Year 3 Cake Sale on Friday 8th July.) For just £2 you are invited to enter the Platinum Jubilee Quiz (attached to the email) and you could win a Jubilee prize! Your support is appreciated as we endeavour to continue to provide great outdoor learning experiences for the children which are memorable and special.

PLATINUM JUBILEE: Next Friday afternoon (27th) there will be a whole school picnic to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Children are invited to bring in a plastic/paper plate, cup, blanket and a small picnic style snack (they will have eaten lunch as normal). Everyone can wear red, white and blue to add to occasion. We plan on celebrating together with some music, games, maybe a crown parade and lots of singing.

During the week each year group will be researching part of the Queen's 70 year reign - **Year 3 - 2002-2022; Year 4 - 1992 -2002; Year 5 - 1972-1992; Year 6 - 1952-1972** – as well as other activities such as designing a new royal stamp, making a regal crown for the picnic parade. We hope to create an enjoyable, memorable experience for the school community to come together.



DJS Information Update

COLLECTING CHILDREN: With discos returning and children often being collected by other parents/carers from these events, please be reminded that for safeguarding reasons the school is unable to hand over a child to someone that has not been given permission by their parent/s. We are keen to avoid delays to pick ups (especially in the evening) by being required to telephone parents, so please give the

office advance notice if you are giving permission for someone else to collect your child. We really do appreciate your support.

3H PARENT CONSULTATIONS: Next half term Mrs Hone will be available for 3H Parent Consultations on Tuesday 7th June, 1:30 -5pm, and Thursday 9th July, 4-6pm. Appointments will take place in school, however telephone consultations can be arranged if this is more convenient. Booking arrangements will be shared early next week.

STAFF VACANCY: After half term we have a vacancy for a Lunchbreak Supervisor to join the DJS team. Please just follow the link if you are interested - <https://www.educationjobfinder.org.uk/vfjobs/lunchbreak-supervisor/?fromSearchPage=true> – Occasionally additional hours are available supporting swimming and other activities in the school.

FOODBANK APPEAL: Next week, from Monday – Wednesday, food donations for Taverham, Thorpe Marriott and Drayton Foodbank Help Group can be left in the school hall. These will then be collected by Foodbank volunteers. The following items have been requested:

Dry Foods = Rice, Pasta, Cereals, Sugar, Crackers, Dried Instant Noodles, Cup'a'Soup

Treats = Biscuits, Cakes, Sweets, Chocolate

Tinned Foods = Meat of any kind (Meatballs, Hot Dogs, Mince, Ham, Corned Beef etc.), Tuna Fish, Spaghetti Hoops/Rings, Ravioli, Soup, Baked Beans, Baked Beans with Sausages, Rice Pudding, Fruit (peaches, fruit cocktail, pears etc), Tomatoes, Peas, Carrots, Potatoes.

Drinks = Tea, Coffee, Orange Squash or Blackcurrant Squash

Toiletries = Shower Gel, Soap, Toothpaste

Cleaning products = washing up liquid, bleach, toilet cleaner, bathroom cleaner, kitchen cleaner, Toilet rolls.

FRIENDS OF DRAYTON JUNIOR:

Have you joined the Facebook group called 'Parents of Drayton Junior School' where school events and information about fundraising, etc... is shared? Anyone can join, and it is the place where announcements are made. A number of events have been planned for the summer term, including a welcome return to the Summer Social on Friday 1st July. Historically it is a really enjoyable occasion, as well as great fundraiser for the school.

Thank you to all who supported the Y4 Cake Sale today. What better way to end the week than with a scrummy cake!



SPORTS EQUIPMENT: Please help us to collect tokens to be in with a chance of winning £20,000 to spend on sports equipment. The token box can be found in the School Reception Area or maybe send them into school with your child in an envelope.

Each day tokens will be in the Eastern Daily Press (two on Saturday), Norwich Evening News (two on Saturday) and weekly in the North Norfolk News, Dereham Times, Fakenham Times, Beccles & Bungay Journal, Lowestoft Journal and Great Yarmouth Mercury. The two schools with the most tokens (as an average per pupil) will win the main two prizes meaning that all schools have a chance, both big and small.

DATES LIST 2021/22

May	
Fri 20 th	Friends Y4 Cake Sale
Mon 23 rd	Class Photographs; Foodbank donations can be brought to school Monday – Wednesday
Wed 25 th	Journeys for Learning Drama based Assemblies - Platinum Jubilee celebration of the Queen
Thu 26 th	Y3 Thrigby Hall
Fri 27 th	Whole school Jubilee Celebration: wear red, white & blue; jubilee picnic; a.m Y6 Crucial Crew trip (wear school sweatshirt)
Mon 30 th – Fri 3 rd	Half Term
Thur 2 nd	From 6:30 Drayton Parish Council celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee – Beacon lighting ceremony 9:15pm
June	
Sun 5 th	10:30 St Margaret's Jubilee Service
w/c Mon 6 th	Year 4 Times Table Check (3 weeks)
Fri 10 th	Y4 Roman visitor in school FRIENDS' DISCO 6 – 7:30
Thu 16 th	'Year 5 Scrapbook' performances, one per class TBC
Fri 17 th	Day of Welcome (School of Sanctuary) – wear Yellow & Blue, colours of Ukraine
Mon 20 th	Foodbank donations can be brought to school Monday – Wednesday

Mon 27 th	City Sports 15:30-18:00 TBC
Tues 28 th	City Sports 13:00-17:30 TBC
Thu 30 th	City Sports 13:30-17:30 TBC
July	
Fri 1 st	FRIENDS' Summer Social evening 6:30 -8:30
Mon 4 th	RE Day; Y3 trip to Hautbois Activity Centre
Wed 6 th	New Year 3 Information Evening in school; 3:15 – 4:15 Open Classrooms for parents/carers to visit school to look at children's work, displays, etc...
Thu 7 th	Y5 Pleasurewood Hills; New Year 3s transition day; Y6 high school transition day
Fri 8 th	Y6 high school transition day; FRIENDS Y3 cake sale after school
Mon 11 th & Tues 12 th	Sports Days TBC – more information to follow
Tues 12 th	3:30pm Samba band, choir and instrumentalists performing outside for summer concert/picnic
Thu 14 th	p.m Ukulele band playing with Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain
Fri 15 th	End of year reports go home; Year 6 Disco & Chips
Mon 18 th	Foodbank donations can be brought to school Monday – Wednesday
Fri 22 nd	End of Term – Summer Holidays Begin
2022/23	Terms starts Tuesday 6th September

Please see the Norfolk County Council 2021/22 School Calendar for further details.