Drayton CofE VC Junior School

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NEWSLETTER 2nd May 2025

Please go to: www.draytonjunior.norfolk.sch.uk

Headteacher's Note:

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

The begining of term has started well and the children were very quickly back in the swing of things. This is a very short half-term and we have a lot to pack into it.

This week in our Collective Worships we have been thinking about the value of making mistakes and how we can learn from them. Understanding that none of us are perfect and learning is a life long skill.

We wish all of our Year 6 pupils the best of luck with their SATS in the coming weeks.

Thank you to the Friends of Drayton Juniors School for organising the Year 6 Leavers Hoodies and for contributing to the cost of school trips, this is much appreciated. They will also be supporting us with some additional/upgraded play equipment for the children to enjoy at lunch times.

Please remember: *School Road is going to be closed at the Doctor's Surgery from the 6th to the 21st of May. To ease congestion slightly we are having a soft start to the day -Year 6 please arrive between 8.30 and 8.45. Everyone else can arrive between 8.30 and 9.00 am, thank you.*

John Neenan

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit"- Romans 15:13

DJS Information Update



THE COMMUNITY – 3B welcomed a resident from Brooklands Care home into the Class for an Art and Craft Activity. We hope to be able to invite more residents in again soon. It was lovely to see two different generation share time together and share stories.

SPORTING EVENTS – A massive well done to the Girl's football Team for doing so well and getting to the Final and playing a cracking game! We are all very proud of you and your teamwork! Well done to the children who took part in the BEE Netball Competition this week Mrs Finch was really impressed with your perseverance and resilience!

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MATHEMATIC CHALLENGES - Well done to all the children who have taken part over the past few weeks. You have represented the school well and shown what fantastic mathmaticians you are.





SCHOOL UNIFORM – Children should always come to school in school uniform. If you are struggling to find uniform we have a selection of clothing which needs rehoming. Please speak with Mrs Terrington or Mrs Hastings in the office. Please note that children should **not** be wearing make up and jewellery to school as this is not part of the school uniform, watches and studded earrings are fine.

VE DAY – To celebrate VE Day we are going to have a mini-picnic on Thursday the 8th of May. The children can bring a blanket and a snack to eat out on the field with their friends. This has been organised by the school council. Children can come to school in non-uniform wearing red, white and blue.

SCHOOL DINNERS - please continue to book school lunches via the School Money System. Please note: the new menu is online for you to see.

PASTORAL STAFF - Drayton is very proud of the pastoral support we provide. If you would like to speak to Mrs Lane, our Pastoral staff member, then please contact the office – admin@draytonjunior.norfolk.sch.uk

ATTENDANCE - Our current attendance rate this school year is 95.14%. If your child's individual attendance drops below 90%, we will send out letters to offer support and see how we can help improve this. Please ensure your child is at school for 8.45 am to start their learning.

We understand that illness happens and can't be helped, but it is vitally important that children attend as soon as they can. We are happy to support with medication; please speak to Mrs. Terrington or Mrs. Hastings in the office.

For the school's Attendance Policy, please follow this link: DJS Attendance Policy

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April	
Fri 4th	End of term
Wed 23rd	School back first day of term
May	
Thur 8th May	VE Day – Afternoon Picnic
w/c 12th – 16th	KS2 SATS Week for Y6
Mon 19th	Y4 bikeability
Tues 20th	Y4 bikeability
June	
Mon 2nd – 13th	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
Mon 9th – 11th	Year 6 residential
Wed 11th	Year 3 Trip to Banham Zoo
Tue 17th	Sports Day – Years 3 and 4
Wed 18th	Sports Day – Years 5 and 6
Fri 20th	Year 4 World War Two day
w/c 23rd – 26th	City Sports Week
Mon 30th	Year 6 trip to Gressenhall
July	
Tue 8th	Summer Concert – School Hall – 3.30 to 4.30
Mon 14th	School Reports Out to Parents/Carers
Tue 22nd	Last day of term

Please see the Norfolk County Council 2024/25 School Calendar for further details.