

# Diamond Class Weekly News Wb: 9.5.22



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We check emails daily but not during class teaching time. If it is not answered in 24hours then please telephone the school



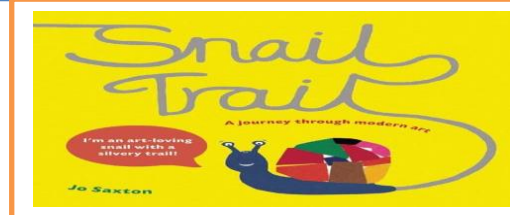
This week we have been thinking about Snails with the books 'Snail Trail' by Jo Saxton and 'Matisse's Magical Trail' by Tim Hopgood.

Dates for the Diary:

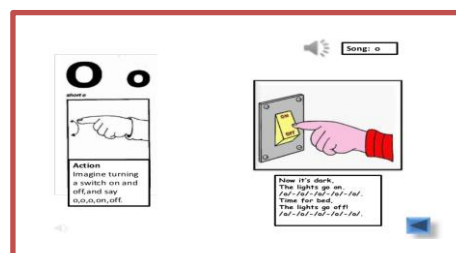
Mon 9<sup>th</sup> May – Mental Health Awareness Week-some links are at the end of the newsletter but feel free to talk with us anytime  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May- last day of term-Jubilee hat parade. Any children not in session can come to the parade and stay with their families-they cannot join the Diamond class due to staff ratios/safety-thank you  
30<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> May-HALF TERM HOLIDAY  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June– Back to school  
17<sup>th</sup> June-Sports Day  
Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> June- Sparhawk new Reception parent/carer meeting, 5.30pm  
Fri 24<sup>th</sup> June – Diamond trip-Ringsfield Hall  
Fri 8<sup>th</sup> July – FOSSA BBQ  
Wed 20<sup>th</sup> July-Diamond Celebration for children leaving for Reception, 2pm  
Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> July- last day of school  
Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Sept-School re-opens-Diamond class CLOSED as doing Home Visits for new children  
Mon 12<sup>th</sup> September – Diamonds re-open  
If you are not receiving emails/text messages from the office/pupil asset then please let them know – thank you 😊

We began by thinking about what we know about snails already and then found out more facts. We have also drawn pencil snails by following instructions.

We have focused on lots of spirals in our learning too as well as continued to look after our growing beds outside.



We have been focusing on the number 9 and how it can be made in different ways as well as talking about the other Numberblocks that make a square(1 and 4) Our letter of the week was Oo for 'on' and 'off'.



School Values - These are woven into our school week:

Respect Collaboration Inquiry Inclusion Achievement Safety Confidence Independence

### **Phonic sounds**

Here is a link for how to say each sound purely-this avoids the children picking up bad habits in the future which can be harder to undo-it may be worth letting all relatives who support your child take a look-I know that my own parents, as grandparents benefitted from this!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UCI2mu7URBc>

### **Party Invitations**

We will no longer be giving out party invitations in Diamond class as the children are too young to be responsible for collecting them safely and staff cannot monitor this regularly. We hope that you will be able to give any out in the queue before/after sessions – thank you for your understanding 😊

### **Family traditions**

If your families have celebrations/traditions that your children get involved in then please let us know and we will try to include them in our Nursery year. Please post on Tapestry or tell us about them via the class email.

### **Useful contacts**

Here are some useful contacts and sites for families that many of our own school staff have used for advice/ideas for their children. Some have services that you can request and some have ideas for play and communication within the family. They all have social media pages as well if this is preferred.

Just One Number <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/>  
0300 300 0123

Early Childhood and Family Service <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/children-and-families/early-childhood-and-family-service>

0344 800 8020

Tiny Happy People from the BBC website  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

If you ever need any support in accessing these then please let us know and we can help.

### **Mental Health Awareness Week**

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/mental-health-awareness-week>

**Young Minds**-personally I find this helpful as an adult also  
<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/>

### **Mind**

<https://www.mind.org.uk/>

### **Suncream and sunhats**

After the Easter holidays it will, at some point, get hotter(!) so please put sun cream on your child **BEFORE** they come to their Nursery session. If they are in all day then it is advisable to put 8 hour sun cream on. Nursery staff will not be able to apply sun cream but we will make 8 hour cream available to you at drop off in case you have forgotten : )

Please send a sun hat in to Nursery after the holidays and make sure that it is **NAMED**