

# Diamond Class Weekly News Wb:3.10.22



School website: [www.sprowstonsparhawk.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.sprowstonsparhawk.norfolk.gov.uk)

Class email: [diamond@sparhawk.school](mailto:diamond@sparhawk.school)

We check emails daily but not during class teaching time.



This week we have used the books 'We are Family' by Todd Parr and 'Our class is a family' by Shannon Olsen to help us to think about ourselves and how we work together in Diamonds like a family.

Dates for the Diary:

Fri 7<sup>th</sup> October – sponsored school fun run- details to follow- dress in comfortable clothes and good walking/running shoes

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> Oct- individual photos- all welcome- please bring any children who are not in session to the school entrance at 9.00am and we will try to get them done first- adults will need to wait in the entrance area

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> October – parents workshop- childrens mental health, 2pm in school hall

Th 13<sup>th</sup> Oct – parent/carer meetings - sign up sheets on fence

Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Oct – parent carer meetings- sign up sheets on fence

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Oct- parent/carer meetings- sign up sheets on fence

Fr 21<sup>st</sup> Oct- Show racism the red card- details to follow

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Oct- Last day of term

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Oct- 28<sup>th</sup> Oct- HALF TERM holidays

Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Oct – school re-opens

Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Nov - Sparhawk Open evening for prospective Reception

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> November – Children In Need (details to follow)

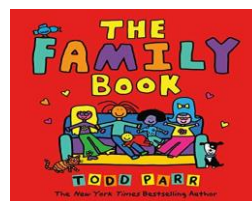
Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Nov- Reception tours, 10am

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec, 9.30am- Nursery Christmas songs (details to follow)

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> Dec Wear a Christmas jumper to Nursery day

Th 16<sup>th</sup> Dec- last day of term

We have been drawing pencil drawings of our families this week - our photo books have really helped some children with their thinking. Remember if you need us to print any photos off for this then email the class 😊



We have also completed some printed cards that will be sent home for you to look at soon- all of these jobs are teaching the children to take turns, try their best at new things and begin to take responsibility for learning – well done Diamonds!



**School Values – These are woven into our school week:**

Respect Collaboration Inquiry Inclusion Achievement Safety Confidence Independence

## DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP

Thank you for your patience and understanding in this first week where there are lots of new things for us all to learn-the process can take a little time especially at the start of the year.

In the morning it is lovely that you are able to come into Nursery again but if you prefer to drop in the cloakroom and go this is also fine.

At pick up we try to get the children ready in the order of the queue which can be tricky at times-please try to let us see your faces! **We ask just be one parent/carer to come up to the door and only one family at a time please-in the long run we have found this to be a safer, quicker way to do things.**

If anyone new is picking up please let us know in the morning or via the school office – a password can be set if it is someone new or if they have not picked up for a long while.

## BIRTHDAYS(as per school newsletter)

In the past many families have liked to celebrate with their class by bringing in small sweets to share. Due to an increase in allergies and for healthy bodies we will no longer do this as a school. If you would like to celebrate with the class we would love a book donation(new or pre-loved) and we will share this with the class on the day and add a book plate to celebrate. This is, of course, entirely optional 😊

## TAPESTRY ONLINE LEARNING JOURNEY

As discussed at the home visit this is a safe and secure way of seeing how your children are learning in class in Nursery – we aim to update this each day from now on but do not want to over-use the Ipad during learning time when our focus is learning and playing with your child.

Parents/Carers with siblings- you should be able to access all siblings via your log in-if not then please email the class email or Mrs Goldsworthy(see below)

Parents/Carers new to school – you will receive an email which will prompt you to set up a Tapestry account. If you do not receive one then please email class email or Mrs Goldsworthy(see below)

This year we aim to keep you informed(in addition to the class newsletter) by:

1. Talking to you, where possible at drop off/pick up.
2. Posting class activities relevant to learning – this may involve whole class times that your child has been part of(even if they are not in any photos) to help to give you a flavor of what we have been doing and could provide a talking point at home.
3. Offering an Autumn and Spring term parents meeting and either a Summer term ‘report’ or another meeting(TBC)
4. Informal chats requested by you or us to support the learning while your child is in Nursery.

## Why Tapestry ?

These links may be useful to help you to learn about how and why play is important and how to add your own observations from home.

To learn about why play is so important now and at any age!

<https://tapestry.info/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2020/08/Why-do-we-play.pdf>

To help you add an observation of fun and learning at home

<https://tapestry.info/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2020/07/Adding-Observations.pdf>

Please email Mrs Goldsworthy who is our administrator of Tapestry on: [KGoldsworthy@sparhawk.school](mailto:KGoldsworthy@sparhawk.school) if you have any issues with logging in to Tapestry.