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NUTFIELD CHURCH (C OF E) PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

“Now if any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God,
who gives to all generously and without criticizing,
and it will be given to him.” James 1:5

Dear Parents and Carers,

Curriculum – Maths

This week I have been working with Mrs Cox in her role as Maths lead across all the classes to review teaching and learning. We have been very pleased to see that children report Maths is a positive experience!

I thought you may enjoy some of the quotes I heard:

‘I love Maths, we do it everyday and I am getting better at it’.

‘I don’t know how to solve it but my teacher does’.

‘Maths is only hard if you don’t know how to do it’!

‘I’ve got better at Maths and now I can have a go when I’m not sure’.

‘I find Maths quite easy but I get given really hard challenges’.

Well done to all the teachers and TAs for enthusing our children and supporting them so well.

Governors

The Governors, the clerk (Mrs Fowler), our Business Manager (Mr Walker-Cheetham) and I, had a really useful training and reflection day last week. We discussed on Governor roles, responsibilities and skills. We took time to consider some of the key areas of our school's development. After their successful completion of the Southwark Diocese Bishops Certificate last year, we remain in an excellent position in terms of our leadership. My thanks to them all for their hard work and commitment in supporting the clear and ambitious targets for all children, staff, parents and carers and of course, our wider community. They are a great support to me and the team here at the school.

Ark

I am pleased to announce that from next week, we welcome Mrs Bityk to the staff team. She will be working each day in both morning and afternoon sessions.

We are now able to extend Ark provision for any of you who would appreciate am Ark sessions. Mrs Russell has been doing a super job working alongside me to develop strong links to our school curriculum.

Chinese New Year

This week, the children enjoyed a themed Chinese lunch. Many thanks to our kitchen team Mrs Gesese and Ms Formosa. We aim to celebrate a range of cultures across the year. On Monday Year 2 will be enjoying a special 'Chinese Day'. If your child is in Year 2, do read the letter from Mrs Cordey which was sent out last week.

PTFA Chair

Our PTFA Chair Sophie has stepped down from her role this past week and we would like to say thank you to her for all her enthusiasm over the years. She continues as our Year 3 TA and so we will still see her, I am sure at the many events planned for the year. I will be meeting with our treasurer and our Angels over the next few weeks and will make sure any changes are communicated in my next newsletter. The evening event planned for 27th January has been taken off the events list for PTFA.

Wellbeing Newsletter

Please take a moment to read through our termly Wellbeing Newsletter, which is attached to this newsletter. This newsletter is a celebration of all that is happening in our Wellbeing Strand. At the core of the Wellbeing Curriculum is outdoor learning due to its proven ability to raise attainment, support social, emotional and personal development and contribute to the health and wellbeing of our children. We believe that outdoor learning is an essential part of learning and it should not be restricted to the summer or as an 'add-on' after core or foundation subjects have been taught. We are blessed with an abundance of land and through our Wellbeing + lessons we enable our children to have frequent access to continuous and progressive experiences in the school grounds, whether it be tending to the chickens, guinea pigs and our rabbit, making bug hotels, bird watching or planting and weeding in Trinity gardens. Having access to the outside also teaches the theological belief of stewardship. At Nutfield Church School children live out the Christian belief that God created the universe and all that is within it therefore that they must take of creation and look after it. Psalm 24:1 — King James Version (KJV 1900) 1 The Earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

Trinity Farm - Volunteers – we need you!

As you know, we are actively developing our Wellbeing curriculum as we focus on providing an outstanding Quality of Education for all children and the animals are a bold step towards that. The success of our Wellbeing curriculum is very much dependent on the generosity of our parents. We already have a thriving volunteer programme who help care for our animals at weekends and during the holidays. We are always looking for new volunteers, so if you think this is something you would like to be involved in, please contact the school office: info@nutfield.surrey.sch.uk. If you are unable to come into school at weekends or during the holidays there are other ways you can help. We have set up a tab on Sco-Pay and are asking parents and carers to donate £3 a month to help feed and care for our animals. Alternatively, attached to our termly Wellbeing+ newsletter is a list of essential items we need to care for our animals, just purchasing one of these items would help us to secure the future of our outdoor learning curriculum. These items are usually sourced from Pets at Home. Thank you so much in advance.

Ambassador's Book Sale

Chloe would like to say a very big thank you to everyone who donated books for her Stripey Stalk fundraising book sale. The sale raised a wonderful £119! There were lots of books left over and so Chloe will be holding another sale on Friday 27th January. This time, the sale will be in the playground at 3.15pm.

Parent Mental Health Day

Stem4's Parent Mental Health Day on 27th January (PMHD) encourages understanding and awareness of the importance of parents' mental health and its impact on the whole family system. With this year's theme being 'balance', the day aims to get parents and carers to take a moment to reflect on the balance they have in their lives and to take positive steps to make change.

Stem4 are inviting parents to join their webinar on Thursday 27th January at

7pm (<https://stem4.org.uk/event/webinar-for-parents-carers-building-resilience-in-parents-carers/>) where they will discuss how improved parent mental health benefits the whole family, and practical ways in which parents and carers can regain equilibrium in their lives and tip the balance towards positive mental health.

They have also produced a Balance pack, which is attached. You can visit their website here: *Parent Mental Health Day*

Supreme Sport

Mr Fletcher has asked us to promote Supreme Sport Football Academy. The academy offers a fun, energetic and unique approach to football coaching. Sessions are skills-based and are designed to enhance players' dribbling, shooting and passing techniques. The team consists of professional FA qualified and UEFA A Licenced coaches, who are experienced in children's coaching and are first-aid and DBS certified, offering the best quality children's football coaching around! Please see attached flyer.

Have a good weekend everybody, we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Imogen Woods
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

Year R Heights/Weights/Vision/Hearing	Thursday 26 th January
Welcome Project Meeting	Friday 27 th January 2.00pm-3.00pm
Year 4 Cake sale	Friday 27 th January
Charity Ambassador's Book Sale	Friday 27 th January 3.15pm
Boys Football Tournament Year 5 and 6	Monday 6 th February
Year 6 Class Collective Worship	Wednesday 8 th February
PTFA School Disco	Thursday 9 th February
Book Week	W/C 20 th February
Bishop's Lent Appeal Launch	W/C 20 th February
Bags 2 School	Wednesday 22 nd February
Year 5 Cake Sale	Friday 24 th February
Girls Football Tournament Year 5 and 6	Monday 27 th February
KS2 SATS meeting	Tuesday 28 th February 3.15pm – 4.15pm (Y6 classroom)
St. David's Day – yellow shirt	Wednesday 1 st March
Year 3 Class Collective Worship	Wednesday 1 st March
Year 5 Springs Dance Company	Friday 3 rd March
Year 5 Class Collective Worship	Wednesday 8 th March
PTFA Cinema Night	Wednesday 8 th March
St. Patrick's Day – green shirt	Friday 17 th March
SSA Parent and Carer Evenings	W/C 20 th March
World Poetry Day	Tuesday 21 st March
Dodgeball Tournament – Year 3 and 4	Tuesday 21 st March
Year 4 Class Collective Worship	Wednesday 22 nd March
Dodgeball Tournament – Year 5 and 6	Thursday 23 rd March
PTFA Easter Colour Run	Friday 24 th March
Parent and Carer Evening (Years 1-6)	Monday 27 th March
Parent and Carer Evening (Years R-6)	Tuesday 28 th March
Parent and Carer Evening (Years R-6)	Wednesday 29 th March
Parent and Carer Evening (Year R)	Thursday 30 th March
Easter Service Christ Church	Friday 31 st March – 9.30am
Year 6 Cake Sale	Friday 21 st April
St. George's day – red shirt (23 rd April)	Monday 24 th April
PTFA Bags 2 School	Friday 5 th May
Bank holiday for King's Coronation	Monday 8 th May (School closed)
KS2 SATS - English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)	Tuesday 9 th May
KS2 SATS – English Reading Paper	Wednesday 10 th May
KS2 SATS – Mathematics Paper 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)	Thursday 11 th May
KS2 SATS - Mathematics Paper 3 (reasoning)	Friday 12 th May
Year 1 Class Collective Worship	Wednesday 17 th May
Rounders Tournament Years 5 and 6	Tuesday 23 rd May
Non-Uniform Day for bottles for the Summer Garden Party	Friday 26 th May
INSET Day	Monday 5 th June
INSET Day	Tuesday 6 th June
Rounders Tournament Year 3 and 4	Thursday 8 th June
Year 1 Cake Sale	Friday 9 th June
Year R Class Collective Worship	Wednesday 14 th June
Year 6 (2022/23) residential meeting	Thursday 15 th June 3.15pm – 4pm (Y6 classroom)
PTFA Wear trainers for sweets for the Summer Garden Party	Friday 16 th June

Sparkfish Think Space	W/C 19 th June
Year 2 Class Collective Worship	Wednesday 21 st June
Year 3 and 4 Indian Dance Workshop	Thursday 22 nd June
PTFA Summer Garden Party	Saturday 24 th June
Trinity Farm Blessing and Hopathon	Thursday 29 th June (9.30am blessing)
Sports Day	Friday 30 th June
Reports to Parents and Carers	Friday 30 th June
Reserve Sports Day	Monday 3 rd July
District Sports Field	Monday 3 rd July
Art Exhibition	Tuesday 4 th July – 3.30pm -5.00pm
Art Exhibition	Wednesday 5 th July – 1.30pm-5.00pm
Open Evening	Wednesday 5 th July – 3.15pm-5.00pm
Music Concert	Friday 7 th July 2023 – 6.00pm -7.00pm
District Sports Track	Monday 10 th July
Year R Cake Sale	Friday 14 th July
Year 6 Production – dress rehearsal	Friday 14 th July 2023 – 2.00pm-3.00pm
Year 6 Production	Monday 17 th July 2023 – 6.00pm-7.00pm
Year 6 Production	Tuesday 18 th July 2023 – 6.00pm-7.00pm
Year 6 Leavers' Party	Wednesday 19 th July
Leavers' Service Christchurch	Friday 21 st July – 9.30am