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NUTFIELD CHURCH (C OF E) PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

How good and pleasant it is
when God's people live together in unity!

Psalm 133:1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Safeguarding

I am very pleased to share with you that our recent external safeguarding visit went extremely well. We invited a Safeguarding Inspector who has worked in leadership across several counties to complete a thorough audit of our safeguarding processes. The visit included a session with myself as Designated Safeguarding Lead, our Deputy Safeguarding leads Mrs Fowler, Mrs Benjamin, Mrs Brooks and Mr Walker-Cheetham and Miss Mitchell who is responsible for our online safety. He also met with Mr Peluso and Mrs Ross from the wider staff team. He went through many aspects of our policies, processes, buildings and Health and Safety. The visit included a walk through the school where they saw classes and playtimes. A special part of the time spent was an impromptu 'interview' with a sample of children. The children were wonderful and a real credit to the school and their families. A special thank you go to: Ted, Darcie, Jamie, Delphine, Betsy-Bea, James, Gracie and Jack. The full report can be read on our safeguarding page <https://bitly.ws/XGDk>. I am very proud of the school for doing so well. We continue to put the safety and happiness of the children at the heart of everything we do.

Remembrance

On 10th November we will be marking the 2 minutes' silence to remember those fallen and to support the work of the Royal British Legion. Although our friends from the Royal British Legion won't be with us this year, Rev Len will be leading us in a short service. If you would like to come along please do. We will gather at 10.50am outside the Village Hall. If for any reason the rain comes (we have been very blessed with weather for many years) then the short mark of respect will be held in the school hall. You are welcome to come into school to join us. Poppies will be available on the playground from Monday 30th October.

Fire Drills

Your child may have mentioned that there were a few fire alarms last week. These were unexpected and due to a sensor fault in the system. This system error has been remedied and the system has been checked. Fred checks the system each day as a matter of course. We are blessed to have such a diligent Premises Manager! Well done to the children who managed not one but three fire alarms over 2 days!

Headteacher Tours

The final two Headteacher tours will be taking place on Friday 3rd November (11-12pm) and Friday 10th November (2-3pm). A reminder that these tours are applicable to you if your child was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020. Please be aware that applications must be made by 15th January 2024. If you are thinking of Nutfield Church as your child's school, please do contact the School Office with your preferred dates. I very much value these times and look forward to seeing you.

Pet Blessing

On 6th November Christ Church will be holding a special pet blessing at Christ Church. All animals are most welcome! Please see the flyer attached for more information.

Educational Visits

Thank you to those of you who commented positively on our visits last year. The teachers worked hard to get trips and adventure days planned. In staff meetings and with Mrs Cordey (our Educational Visits lead teacher) championing 'getting out and about', the teachers are planning to make sure classes get out each term.

Parent and Carer Evenings

Parent and Carer Evenings will take place on 27th, 28th and 29th November (3.30pm-6.00pm) for all classes except Year 3. Year 3 Evenings will take place on Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th November. Meetings will take place with your child's class teacher and will be held in their classroom. Sessions will be available for booking via Parentmail. The system will go live for bookings on 13th November 2023 at 7.00am.

For the parents and carers of children currently on our Special Educational Needs register or for whom longer appointments may be beneficial, there is an opportunity to have a 30-minute appointment with their child's class teacher during the week commencing 20th November 2023. Those parents and carers will receive a letter inviting them to book a session via Parentmail, shortly after half term.

Message from the PTFA –Christmas Fund Raising

Earlier this week your child should have brought home a sample Christmas card, showing the artwork they created earlier this term. It also included details of how to look at the artwork online and how to place orders for the Christmas Cards and other items available. For every order placed by our parents (and their friends and families), the PTFA will receive a % commission on the sale. The earlier the orders are placed the higher the commission we receive, with the largest being 26% for any orders placed before Wednesday 26th October, so please order early if at all possible. Once you have ordered and paid for your items online they will be delivered into school and distributed back to you via your children over the next few weeks. We hope you enjoy the artwork your child has created and are able to support the PTFA by making a purchase from the site.

Top tip from the Eco team...

The greater the variety of foods on your plate, the more sustainable your diet. Why? Well, "the wider the range of foods farmers grow, the wider variety of life the planet supports."

Parking

Please could we ask Parents and Carers to park considerately when dropping off and picking up children from school. Please ensure that you do not obstruct our neighbours' drives, or park in a way that restricts the view and flow of traffic through the village.

Winter Menu and School Meals

Our kitchen team are now providing the Winter menu which has just been released by catering company, Twelve 15. This menu is attached so that you can see what the children who have school lunches will be eating each day.

Thank you to all those parents and carers who make their school dinner payments promptly. The cost is £13.50 per week or £94.50 for the 2nd half of the autumn term. We look forward to receiving your payments.

DfE Advice for all Education Settings - Measles

Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease. We are asking education settings to share key messages from the NHS about MMR / measles and how to get vaccinated. The [Back to school MMR Guidance](#) from the NHS includes information to share, as well as example social media posts which can be found here: [NHS Vaccine Poster](#) and [NHS MMR Poster](#).

Wishing you all a lovely half term break!

Kind regards

Imogen Woods
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

PTFA Bags2School Collection	Thursday 2 nd November
Buddy Collective Worship (Yr R and Yr 6)	Thursday 2 nd November – 9.15am
Hobgoblin Theatre Workshop (Yr R, 1, 2)	Thursday 9 th November – 9.00am-11.30am - Hall
Remembrance Service	Friday 10 th 11.00am
Anti Bullying week	Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th November
Year One Phonics training	Tuesday 14 th November 3.30pm – 4.15pm - Hall
Year 2 SATS meeting	Thursday 16 th November 3.30pm – 4.15pm -Hall
PTFA Year 5 Cake Sale	Friday 17 th November – 15.15pm-15.45pm
School Photographer – Individual	Monday 20 th November
SSA Parent and Carer Evenings	w/c 20 th November
Year 2 Sparkfish Christmas Journey	Tuesday 21 st November – 1.30pm-3.00pm
Year 6 Heights and Weights	Wednesday 22 nd November
PTFA Non-uniform Day – Sweets for Christmas Fair	Friday 24 th November
Parent and Carer Evening (Yrs R-6)	Monday 27 th November – 3.30pm-6.00pm
Parent and Carer Evening (Yrs R-6)	Tuesday 28 th November - 3.30pm-6.00pm
Parent and Carer Evening (Yrs R, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6)	Wednesday 29 th November – 3.30pm-6.00pm
St. Andrew's Day	Thursday 30 th November– blue shirt
Polka Theatre – Year 3 and 4	Thursday 30 th November
Nativity Dress Rehearsal	Tuesday 5 th December– 2.00pm-3.00pm
Nativity Performance	Wednesday 6 th December – 2.00pm-3.00pm
Nativity Performance	Thursday 7 th December – 2.00pm-3.00pm
Christmas Concert	Tuesday 12 th December 6.00pm-7.00pm
Christmas Lunch	Wednesday 13 th December – 12.00pm
Christmas Service at Christ Church	Thursday 14 th December – 9.30am
PTFA Christmas Fair	Thursday 14 th December – 3.30pm-5.30pm
PTFA Cinema Night	Monday 22 nd January – 15.15pm-17.30pm
Year 6 Collective Worship	Wednesday 24 th January – 9.05am
Year 3 Collective Worship	Wednesday 31 st January – 9.05am
Year 4 Collective Worship	Wednesday 7 th February - 9.05am
KS2 SATS meeting	Tuesday 20 th February 3.30pm – 4.15pm (Y6 classroom)
PTFA Bags2School Collection	Wednesday 21 st February
PTFA KS1 Disco (Yrs R-2)	Friday 23 rd February – 16.00pm-17.00pm
PTFA KS2 Disco (Yrs 3-6)	Friday 23 rd February – 17.15pm-18.15pm
St. David's Day – yellow shirt	Friday 1 st March
Year 3 - Swimming	Monday 4 th March – Friday 15 th March
Year 5 Collective Worship	Wednesday 6 th March – 9.05am
Springs Dance Company (Yr 5)	Friday 8 th March – 9.00am-3.00pm
Year 2 Collective Worship	Wednesday 13 th March – 9.05am
PTFA Year 4 Cake Sale	Friday 15 th March – 15.15pm-15.45pm
St. Patrick's Day – green shirt	Monday 18 th March (Sunday 17 th March)
SSA Parent and Carer Evenings	W/C 18 th March
Easter Concert	Thursday 21 st March 6.00pm-7.00pm
Parent and Carer Evening	Monday 25 th March -3.30pm - 6.00pm
Parent and Carer Evening	Tuesday 26 th March -3.30pm - 6.00pm
Parent and Carer Evening	Wednesday 27 th March -3.30pm - 6.00pm
Easter Service Christ Church	Thursday 28 th March – 9.30am
PTFA Easter Egg Hunt	Thursday 28 th March – 15.15pm-16.00pm
PTFA Bags2School Collection	Wednesday 17 th April
Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check Meeting	Thursday 18 th April 3.15pm-4.15pm (Yr 4 classroom)
PTFA Year 3 Cake Sale	Friday 19 th April – 15.15pm-15.45pm

St. George's day – red shirt	Tuesday 23 th April
PTFA Year 2 Cake Sale	Friday 17 th May – 15.15pm-15.45pm
School Photographer - Group	Monday 20 th May
PTFA Cinema Night	Monday 20 th May – 15.15pm-17.30pm
Primary Music Festival	Tuesday 21 st May
Year 1 Collective Worship	Wednesday 22 nd May – 9.05am
PTFA Non-Uniform Day – Sweets For Summer Garden Party	Friday 7 th June
Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check	Monday 3 rd June-Friday 14 th June
Year 6 (2024/25) residential meeting	Thursday 13 th June 3.15pm – 4pm (Yr 6 classroom)
PTFA Year 1 Cake Sale	Friday 14 th June- 15.15pm-15.45pm
Year 5 – Activity Days - Aqua Sports	Wednesday 12 th - Friday 14 th June
PTFA Wear Own Shoes Day – Bottles for Summer Garden Party	Friday 21 st June
Indian Dance Workshop (Yr 3 and 4)	Monday 24 th June 9.00-11.30am
EYFS Collective Worship	Wednesday 26 th June – 9.05am
'Welcome to EYFS' meeting	Wednesday 26 th June 2.00pm-3.00pm
Hopathon	Wednesday 26 th June
Sports Day	Thursday 27 th June
INSET Day	Friday 28 th June
Art Exhibition	Monday 1 st July – 1.30pm-4.30pm
Art Exhibition	Tuesday 2 nd July – 3.15pm-4.30pm
Open Evening	Tuesday 2 nd July – 3.15pm-4.30pm
'Welcome to School Meeting'	Wednesday 3 rd July 2.00pm-3.00pm
Reserve Sports Day	Thursday 4 th July 1.15pm-3.15pm
PTFA Summer Garden Party	Saturday 6 th July -12.00pm-15.00pm
Summer Concert	Tuesday 9 th July 6.00pm-7.00pm
Year 6 Production – dress rehearsal	Friday 12 th July 2023 – 2.00pm-3.00pm
Year 6 Production	Monday 15 th July 2023 – 6.00pm-7.00pm
Year 6 Production	Tuesday 16 th July 2023 – 6.00pm-7.00pm
Leavers' Service Christchurch	Friday 19 th July – 9.30am
INSET Day	Monday 22 nd July
INSET Day	Tuesday 23 rd July