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NUTFIELD CHURCH (C OF E) PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding,
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:7

Dear Parents and Carers,

Peace

This half term, our value is Peace. We recognise that Peace is integral to our school and its wider community. In a time where the world is affected so much by conflict and uncertainty. Our aim this term is to help the children remember to be Peacemakers. Our lessons in Philosophy and PSHE in particular, help us learn to ask questions (we use Socratic questions) and to approach conflict positively. You may find it interesting to know that the children are taught to challenge ideas 'I disagree with X's idea' or 'I have another idea; it's not the same as X's' without resorting to falling out or being unkind. We want the children to stand up for what is right and make a difference.

Goodbye

We are sorry to say goodbye to Mr Peluso this half term. We would like to say thank you to him for his work across the school and especially for his work with the Anti Bullying Team. We are sorry to see him leave our school but wish him every success in his new job and new home!

We are sorry to hear that Mrs Sandiford has been unwell over half term. She has been working in Ark for the past few months; we have really enjoyed having her back on the team. Unfortunately, she will not be returning to work in Ark as she recovers. We wish her all the best as she recuperates.

Ark

We are grateful to the Governors and staff who are filling staff spaces this term. The alternate plan is going well with everyone adapting each day. Although we have new staff joining the school, we are still on the look out for additional playworkers. Please do encourage anyone you feel may be interested in the role to speak to me or call in to the office.

Anti-Bullying Team

Next week marks the national Anti-Bullying Week. The theme this year is 'Make a Noise'. The Anti Bullying Team would like to ask the children in every class in school to come in wearing odd socks on Monday 13th November. They will use this to launch their week of events which will include special lessons and an Antibullying Team led Collective Worship!

Buddy Collective Worship

What a lovely service our Year R and Year 6 had this week. Our second annual Buddy Service went beautifully where our Year 6 made promises to our Year R children. Prayers were said, songs were sung and parents and families met each other. I was left very moved by how kind and loving our Year 6 children are, their promises were so kind and how wonderfully our Year R children have been over the past few months. I do hope those of you who attended enjoyed meeting each other. Photos have been put up on the website and can be seen here:

<https://nutfieldchurchprimary.co.uk/buddy-collective-worship-3/>

Congratulations Darcie and Bonnie

Bonnie and Darcie asked for a time to meet with me recently. They wanted to take on the co role of Charity Ambassadors. They have a really strong vision for what they would like to do which they have put on the charity ambassadors' page. Thank you to Tony (our website provider) for turning around the children's vision so quickly. They came exceptionally well prepared for their meeting with him, with words already written and ideas for layout

shared. Congratulations to them both for making a strong start and hopefully making a difference in the future. To see them in their own words and to find out more, please click on the link:

<https://nutfieldchurchprimary.co.uk/charity-ambassador-2023/>

Remembrance

It was good to see some of you earlier on in the day today to mark the minute's silence. We recognise all those who have fallen and remember those in our village affected by the ravages of war. If you would like to make a donation to the Royal British Legion please click on this link: <https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/>

Trinity Farm Volunteers

Thank you very much to the families who volunteered to look after our animal friends at Trinity Farm over the October half term. We (and the animals) really appreciate your support. Mrs Benjamin will be putting together a rota over the next few weeks for volunteers during the Christmas holidays. There is also a rota for weekends during term time. Please do let her know via the school office if you would be available to help with either or both!

Hobgoblin Theatre Performance

We continue our focus on Expressive Arts by inviting the Hobgoblin Theatre Company in to school for a performance of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. They were especially invited to perform to Year R, Year 1 and Year 2. We think 'The Expressive Arts' are really important (this is one of our key 'strands' in our school's curriculum) and are looking for ways to further expand our children's opportunities to experience this in all its forms. Thank you to all Parents and Carers who have paid towards the cost of the visit. If you have not yet contributed, please make your payment via Scopy, where you will see 'Key Stage 1 Hobgoblin Theatre Visit'.

Christmas Concert Art Competition

Mrs Rutter and Mrs Cordey are inviting all the children to take part in the Christmas Concert Art Competition, to design a front cover for the programme for our forthcoming Christmas Concert. Over the past few years this has been such a positive competition with the winner and runners up being announced in Collective Worship and the winner being invited to be given a prize at the Concert. Thank you to the teachers involved in organising this and encouraging our children to express their artistic talents! Please see the details in the attached leaflet.

Top tip from the Eco team

Don't hurt That Spider! There are an estimated 40,000 species of spiders, and they all eat insects. They're an important part of the food web and provide natural pest control.

INSET Days 2024-2025

For the academic year 2024-2025, our INSET days will be as follows: Monday 2nd September 2024 - Tuesday 3rd September 2024 - Friday 25th October 2024 - Monday 2nd June 2025 - Friday 4th July 2025

Twelve Fifteen Christmas Menu

I would like to thank our kitchen team for the fantastic job they are doing this term. I was talking to them the other day and told them what a wonderful job they do for our children. I am sure you would agree with me. Our children are eating well and having enjoyable lunches. Our new tables and trays look very smart too! Christmas lunch will be on Wednesday 13th December. Please see the menu attached. If your child normally has a packed lunch and would like to have a Christmas lunch, please do let the school office know. The children will be allowed to wear a festive top, this can be a Christmas jumper of any sort, made or purchased – feel free to be as creative as you like.

There are so many excellent things happening in school at the moment it is hard to choose what to put on the newsletter! We work very much in partnership with our Parents and Carers and so I would like to say thank you to you all for preparing your children so well for school, for sharing your insights and coming in to talk about any concerns or joys you have. We are so incredibly blessed to have deeply committed and gifted staff who are always able to make a time to talk to you should it be needed. The staff team appreciate you all very much!

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and enjoy your time together.

Miss Woods

Dairy Dates

Anti-Bullying week	Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th November
Odd Socks Day	Come in to school in odd socks (or tights)
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 (Ys R-6)	Monday 27 th November – 3.30pm-6.00pm
Parent and Carer Evening (Ys R-6)	Tuesday 28 th November - 3.30pm-6.00pm
Parent and Carer Evening (Ys R, 1,2,4,5 &6)	Wednesday 29 th November – 3.30pm-6.00pm
St. Andrew's Day	Thursday 30th November– blue shirt
Polka Theatre – Year 3 and 4	Thursday 30th 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 15th 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 28th 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
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