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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 criticising,  
and it will be given to him.” James 1:5

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Visions and Values

Welcome back to a new year and a wonderful new term. Our value this term is Wisdom. We will be speaking to the children about wisdom in class, in collective worship and throughout their learning.

### Applications for Reception September 2024

A reminder that the closing date for applications for Reception 2024 is the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Applications should be made online to Surrey County Council at [surreycc.gov.uk/admissions](https://surreycc.gov.uk/admissions).

### Thank you

The staff and I would like to thank you all for our kind words in emails, cards and letters and for the gifts many of you gave over the Christmas period. We had such a lovely few weeks at the end of term with really fantastic highlights which are detailed below.

**The Expressive Arts Concert** was a triumph with children playing and singing so beautifully. Thank you to the parents, carers, friends and family for supporting. We are very grateful to you all for helping the children raise £128.10. This money will be used specifically for our Expressive Arts Curriculum. We also enjoyed a really special **Christmas Service** at Christ Church. The choir sang beautifully, Faith Team led prayers and Reception and KS1 sang a song from their recent Nativity ‘Lights Camel Action’ which was a real treat. I am always so moved at the end of term by how well our children do and was so proud of the whole school on that day.

**Christmas lunch** went really well too! Thank you to our PTFA who organised crackers for the tables and the Christmas Fayre the following day.

### La Posada

In the week leading up to Christmas the children at Nutfield Church School re-enacted their own La Posada celebration. La Posada, which in Spanish means “The Inn” is a religious festival celebrated in Mexico between 16 and 24 December. La Posada commemorates the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of safe refuge, where Mary could give birth to the baby Jesus. A small basket containing two knitted figurines of Mary and Joseph began in Reception class and made the ‘journey’ from classroom to classroom each day. Children learnt from La Posada that by welcoming the poor and the needy, they are welcoming Jesus into their hearts (See Matthew 25:40). La Posada is a beautiful way to focus the celebrations of Christmas on the incarnation of Christ, to learn hospitality and to become mindful of those who are seeking shelter. This is particularly poignant this term, as we have been raising money for ‘Open Hands Reigate’ through our Autumn term ‘Love Project’.

### Love Works – Tin a Week

Our ‘Love Project’ this term focuses on supporting families who are in need. We recognise that times can be tough for families and the children have once again nominated Love Works as their Spring Term charity. On Wednesday last Wednesday, we were visited by Graham Humphries from Love Works. One function that is particularly useful to many people is their food bank. The idea this term is that we ask each family to bring a tin or packet of food each week to school. Each class’ collection will then be taken to the food bank.

### Equality Ambassadors

The Equality Ambassadors have made a strong start to the year by continuing to analyse their research around authors in our school library. They will be sharing the information they found out and their next steps in our meeting

soon. They have been awarded Equality Ambassadors' badges in recognition of their excellent service to our Welcome project. Our hope is that through their work our children will be directly involved in making sure our school is welcoming for everyone. Their maturity as a group is impressive. Thank you to Year 6, Mr Bowen, Mrs Ross and our Equality Ambassador Governors for your support in this. Mrs Castleman shared her university level skills with the children and supported them in preparing their research. To see the minutes from the groups' last meeting please click on the link: <https://nutfieldchurchprimary.co.uk/equality-objectives/>

### **A message from the PTFA**

#### **Christmas Fair**

The PTFA would like to extend our thanks to all Parents and Carers for supporting our Christmas Fair at the end of 2023. We raised a fabulous £1446.15. Thank you very much to everyone who donated, helped out at the event and attended to spend their money at the Fair.

#### **School Cinema Night**

The PTFA would like to invite your children to our next school cinema night. We will be screening Super Mario Bros Movie on Monday 22nd January. This is a PG rated film so by purchasing your ticket you acknowledge this rating. Tickets will be £7 per child and include a drink, popcorn, a hotdog and a sweet treat. Children who attend will go straight from their class to the event and will need collecting from the playground at 5:30pm. To book tickets please go to the PTA website. [www.pta-events.co.uk/nutfield](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/nutfield)

### **Wellbeing Wednesdays**

A schedule of Wellbeing Wednesdays has been incorporated in to the diary dates below. We hope you find this to be a useful reminder of when your child's class is participating in these additional PE sessions. Please ensure that their PE kit is in school for these times.

### **Eco Club – A reminder**

We would like to extend Eco Club in the Summer term and have more children come along. In order to do this, Mrs Matthews would need an adult volunteer to support her. If you are interested in being her extra adult and feel you could commit to a weekly club, please email the school office and let Mrs Matthews know.

### **Parent Governor**

One of our Parent Governors' term of office is ending. We are therefore opening up nominations for Parents/Carers to stand for election as a Parent/Carer Governor. The Governor (Mr Hill) has indicated that he is willing to be considered for re-election. Nomination forms must be returned (either electronically or paper) by 12.00pm on the 29th January 2024. If you would like to stand for election, please complete the attached nomination form which must be returned to me, in my role as Returning Officer, by 12.00pm on the 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024

### **Twelve Fifteen Menu and Food Facts**

In a change to the published menu, our cook Mrs Gesese will also be serving a special New year Celebration menu. The celebration menu will be offered on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January. This menu is attached along with a Food Facts poster from Twelve Fifteen.

### **School Meals**

Thank you to all those Parents and Carers who make their school dinner payments promptly. If you do not have an online account set up for your child, please contact the school office on [info@nutfield.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@nutfield.surrey.sch.uk) and they will send you details of how to set an account up. The cost is £13.50 per week or £78.30 for the 1<sup>st</sup> half of the Spring term. We look forward to receiving your payments.

### **Supreme Sport**

Supreme Sport Football Academy offers a fun and energetic approach to football coaching. The sessions are skills-based and are designed to enhance players' dribbling, shooting and passing techniques. Please see the attached letter for further details, including a free trial offer.

I hope that you all have a peaceful weekend with your families.

Miss Woods

## DIARY DATES

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| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr R)                            | Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> January                               |
| PTFA Cinema Night                                     | Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January – 3.15pm-5.30pm                  |
| Year 6 Collective Worship                             | Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January – 9.05am                      |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 3)                            | Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January                               |
| Year 3 Collective Worship                             | Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January – 9.05am                      |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 4)                            | Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January                               |
| Year 4 Collective Worship                             | Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February - 9.05am                      |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 5)                            | Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February                               |
| KS2 SATS meeting                                      | Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 3.30pm – 4.15pm (Y6 classroom) |
| PTFA Bags2School Collection                           | Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February                              |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 6)                            | Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February                              |
| PTFA KS1 Disco (Yrs R-2)                              | Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February – 16.00pm-17.00pm               |
| PTFA KS2 Disco (Yrs 3-6)                              | Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February – 17.15pm-18.15pm               |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr R)                            | Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February                              |
| St. David's Day – yellow shirt                        | Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> March                                     |
| Year 3 - Swimming                                     | Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March     |
| Year 5 Collective Worship                             | Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March – 9.05am                         |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 6)                            | Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March                                  |
| Springs Dance Company (Yr 5)                          | Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March – 9.00am-3.00pm                     |
| Year 2 Collective Worship                             | Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March – 9.05am                        |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 1)                            | Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March                                 |
| PTFA Year 4 Cake Sale                                 | Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March – 15.15pm-15.45pm                  |
| St. Patrick's Day – green shirt                       | Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March (Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> March)    |
| SSA Parent and Carer Evenings                         | W/C 18 <sup>th</sup> March                                       |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 2)                            | Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March                                 |
| Easter Concert  | Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 6.00pm-7.00pm                    |
| Parent and Carer Evening                              | Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March -3.30pm - 6.00pm                   |
| Parent and Carer Evening                              | Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March -3.30pm - 6.00pm                  |
| Parent and Carer Evening                              | Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March -3.30pm - 6.00pm                |
| Easter Service Christ Church                          | Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March – 9.30am                         |
| PTFA Easter Egg Hunt                                  | Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March – 3.15pm-4.00pm                  |
| PTFA Bags2School Collection                           | Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April                                 |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 3)                            | Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April                                 |
| Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check Meeting            | Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 3.15pm-4.15pm (Yr 4 classroom)   |
| PTFA Year 3 Cake Sale                                 | Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April – 3.15pm-4.45pm                    |
| St. George's day – red shirt                          | Tuesday 23 <sup>th</sup> April                                   |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 4)                            | Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April                                 |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 5)                            | Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May                                    |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr R)                            | Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May                                    |
| Key Stage 2 tests                                     | Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May      |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 1)                            | Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May                                   |
| PTFA Year 2 Cake Sale                                 | Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May – 3.15pm-4.45pm                      |
| School Photographer - Group                           | Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May                                      |
| PTFA Cinema Night                                     | Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May – 3.15pm-5.30pm                      |
| Primary Music Festival                                | Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May                                     |
| Year 1 Collective Worship                             | Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May – 9.05am                          |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 6)                            | Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May                                   |
| PTFA Non-Uniform Day – Sweets for Summer Garden Party | Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June                                      |
| Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check                    | Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June-Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June         |
| Phonics Screening Check                               | W/C Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June                                 |
| Year 6 (2024/25) Residential meeting                  | Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June 3.15pm – 4pm (Yr 6 classroom)     |
| PTFA Year 1 Cake Sale                                 | Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June- 3.15pm-4.45pm                      |
| Year 5 – Activity Days - Aqua Sports                  | Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June        |

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| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 2)                                | Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June               |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 3)                                | Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June               |
| PTFA Wear Own Shoes Day – Bottles for Summer Garden Party | Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June                  |
| Indian Dance Workshop (Yr 3 and 4)                        | Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 9.00-11.30am     |
| EYFS Collective Worship                                   | Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June – 9.05am      |
| 'Welcome to EYFS' meeting                                 | Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2.00pm-3.00pm |
| Hopathon  | Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June               |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 4)                                | Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June               |
| Sports Day  | Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June                |
| INSET Day   | Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June                  |
| Art Exhibition  | Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July – 1.30pm-4.30pm   |
| Art Exhibition  | Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July – 3.15pm-4.30pm  |
| Open Evening  | Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July – 3.15pm-4.30pm  |
| 'Welcome to School Meeting'                               | Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2.00pm-3.00pm  |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr 5)                                | Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July                |
| Reserve Sports Day  | Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 1.15pm-3.15pm   |
| PTFA Summer Garden Party                                  | Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> July -12.00pm-3.00pm |
| Summer Concert  | Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 6.00pm-7.00pm    |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr R)                                | Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July               |
| Year 6 Production – dress rehearsal                       | Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July– 2.00pm-3.00pm   |
| Year 6 Production   | Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> July– 6.00pm-7.00pm   |
| Year 6 Production   | Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July– 6.00pm-7.00pm  |
| Wellbeing Wednesday (Yr R)                                | Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July               |
| Leavers' Service Christchurch                             | Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July – 9.30am         |
| INSET Day 2023-24   | Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024             |
| INSET Day 2023-24   | Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2024            |
| INSET Day 2024-25   | Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024         |
| INSET Day 2024-25   | Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2024        |
| INSET Day 2024-25   | Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024          |
| INSET Day 2024-25   | Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025              |
| INSET Day 2024-25   | Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2025              |