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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,

### Easter Service

We are looking forward to seeing you on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March for our Easter Service. The service will be held at Christ Church at 9.30am. Please do remember that day will be our last day of the term. We return on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

### Year 2

Thank you to all the parents, carers, and family members who came along to a brilliant Year 2 Collective Worship. There were so many encouraging words shared, and so many things shared from across the curriculum, that it is hard to say which part was my favourite - I have seen the Chinese Dragons and would recommend the Art Exhibition - they are simply beautiful. They have taken the children a long time and a great deal of care. Well done to Miss Mitchell, Miss Murray and our student Miss Cook. Miss Cook will be returning to her main placement after Easter. She has done so well at our school. We are all sure she will make a wonderful teacher.

### Mr Tsang

Also, in his 'short placement' in another school Mr Tsang continues to work hard and is doing really well. In order that he can stay in an older year group we have arranged for him to stay at his short placement school where he will be teaching in upper Key Stage 2. We will be inviting him to our Summer Garden Party and hope to see him then. We wish him all the very best with the rest of his training time.

### Year 5

We all enjoyed seeing parents, carers, and families at our recent Year 5 Class Collective Worship. The children did really well sharing their Art, writing, Maths, Music and designs. Some of their amazing work will be shown at our Summer Art Exhibition. Toward the end of the week, Year 5 were able to take part in a special Dance workshop led by our Dance colleagues from the Springs Dance Company.

### Year 3

Well done to Year 3 who have just completed their 2-week block of swimming. Thank you to the staff and our volunteers who went along to support. I am pleased to say that they did really well and were complimented on their conduct by one of the staff. Whenever a class gets a special compliment like this we celebrate with a special Ambassadors' playtime. Well done Year 3 - I will be in to surprise you soon!

### Teams

Teams have been meeting over the past week and have done really well. The school's Pupil Parliament met to talk about what they would like to see in our new Deputy Head. Mrs Benjamin and I were really impressed with their thoughtful and creative responses. Some of our older children will be involved in meeting our candidates and possibly get the chance to be part of one of the interview tasks!

### Assessments Year 1 and 2

In order that our Y1 and 2 teachers can plan timetables for Phonics and KS1 SATS please could you avoid taking your child out of school for any appointments. This will help them considerably in making sure these assessments are set for your child at the best time for them.

## Assessments Year 6

The KS2 SATs week will be held on the week commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May until Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Please avoid any absence at all as tests are externally set. Mr Bowen will be sending a letter out soon about SATs breakfasts. If you have any questions for him or want to ask me anything please do feel free. The power point from his SATS meeting held earlier on in the Year 6 'KS2 SATS Parent Presentation 2024 + Video Guides) can be found here <https://nutfieldchurchprimary.co.uk/year-6-classroom/>

## Summer Term Clubs

### Internal Clubs

The programme of internal clubs is attached this week's newsletter. A form is being sent via ParentMail today. Please kindly select club choices using the appropriate voting buttons. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If your child has attended a club previously, we kindly ask that you reapply for the Summer term. For clubs with limited participants, priority will be given to children who have not taken part in the club previously. For Choir, Speech and Drama and Recorder, priority will be given to those children who already attend.

It will not be possible to change club attendance during the Summer term and waiting lists will no longer be held. To that end, the closing date for application to clubs for the Summer term will be **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March** and the School Office will communicate confirmed clubs by **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March**. Please see the attachment for the days on which the clubs will run and what years are able to attend. Also attached is a weekly calendar showing when clubs will start and finish.

### Orchestra Club

You may have noticed that we are offering an Orchestra Club. As part of our drive to develop our Expressive Arts, we have been considering ways to encourage more children to have opportunities to explore playing music in an ensemble. This club is for those who are currently playing instruments or are showing musical skill. Mrs Black has offered to start an after-school Orchestra Club for the Summer term; she will be looking for children who can play an instrument and is particularly looking for strings and woodwind at the moment. If your child would be interested in joining, please email the School Office and let us know. Please also include details of your child's instrument and grading/standard if applicable.

### External Clubs

Our two external clubs, Football and Sweatband Juniors, will continue to run in the Summer term and both are booked directly with the club co-ordinator. Sweatband Juniors: Sam Harding on 07808 268836 or email at [sweatband-fitness@outlook.com](mailto:sweatband-fitness@outlook.com) and Supreme Sports: <https://supreme-sport.class4kids.co.uk/term/36>

## Fire Alarms

Thank you for your patience on Wednesday to our Y1-6 parents and carers in the slight delay to the end of day. Thank you to Mrs Saklatvala for spreading the word - I appreciated the help in the moment. An unannounced fire alarm started just as we were all exiting the classes. YR were already on the playground and so excited as usual. Other classes followed our usual procedures for fire alarms. This was one of 3 alarms this week and so the children have certainly practised enough this half term. Our premises manager, Fred has resolved the issue (a faulty sensor) and we should not expect another one until next half term when one is planned! I am very happy to say that the children and staff were wonderful in each of the evacuations. Well done to them all. I am very reassured our systems are robust for such events; even in the most challenging times.

## The Great Loomie Charity Sale

Well done to Isla, Eliza, Jessica and Aemilia from Year 3 who came to see me last half term. They had an idea to start a small business which would enable them to raise money for Loveworks! The girls came to two or three meetings with me and planned their business. With their Parents help, the girls were able to host 'The Great Loomie Charity Sale' that took place after school on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. The total raised was £138.30!

## St Patrick's Day

A reminder that all those in St Patrick's Team are invited to wear their own green T-Shirt to school on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March, in celebration of their Saint's day.

## **PTFA Update**

### **Fundraising**

Thanks to all the families that supported our recent disco. The event raised a fabulous £908 profit across Key Stage 1 and 2. We also had a huge pile of items donated at the recent Bag2school collection. We will update in due course how much we made but thanks again to those who were able to support us.

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

Our annual Easter Egg hunt will take place on Thursday 28th March at 3:15pm. Please join us for a fun event. Tickets are £4 per child and siblings are welcome to join in too. You can buy tickets at [www.pta-events.co.uk/nutfield](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/nutfield).

### **Other ways you can help**

We also continue to run our school lottery but ticket numbers are dwindling. The school lottery is all online so it's really easy to join. It's also a really easy way for us to earn money for the PTFA. Please take a look and consider buying a ticket this week. We earn 40p for every ticket sold and 36p goes straight into the weekly winnings. You can also contribute via Easy Fundraising, which is another very easy way to raise funds. You can find out more at [www.EasyFundraising.org.uk](http://www.EasyFundraising.org.uk). Please see attached leaflets which explain more about each method of giving.

### **A message from St Peter & St Paul Church, Nutfield**

All are welcome to join our Lent and Easter Services - please see the attached pdf for full details. On Saturday 30th March (Easter Saturday) we are holding our annual Easter Trail in the Churchyard, where all participants will receive a Chocolate Easter Egg. Drop in between 4pm and 5pm. All are invited into the Church over the Easter period to view the spectacular Easter Gardens made by Nutfield Church Primary School children. We look forward to seeing you!

### **Tip from the Eco team**

What is Earth Hour on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 8.30pm? Each year, Earth Hour encourages individuals, businesses, and governments around the world to take positive actions for the environment by switching off their lights for one designated hour. Concerned with tackling issues such as global warming, climate change, and the loss of biodiversity and natural habitats, Earth Hour is a non-profit organisation that operates out of Singapore to address these issues worldwide. The annual Earth Hour blackout is just a small part of the work that they do, and all of their efforts are aimed at creating wider environmental change and legislative action on issues that matter to the planet. This year, the Worldwide Fund for Nature (WWF) is hosting the first 'virtual spotlight' event, which is a video that you can watch and share to help spread awareness as much as possible. For more information on Earth Hour or this 'virtual spotlight', check out the [Earth Hour website](#), or read our [Earth Hour blog](#) to learn more.

### **Job Opportunities at Nutfield Church Primary School**

Please see the attached link for our current job vacancies <https://nutfieldchurchprimary.co.uk/job-vacancies/>

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

Miss Woods

## DIARY DATES

PTFA Year 4 Cake Sale	Friday 15th 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
Year 5 Easter Experience	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March
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 28th 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
Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call Thanksgiving Service (Yr 4)	Tuesday 30 <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 3rd 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
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
SDBE Year 6 Leavers' Service	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