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## NUTFIELD CHURCH (C OF E) PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Mark Chapter 12 verse 33

And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Year 6 Residential

Well done to Year 6 who over the past few weeks were away on their annual residential. The residential forms part of our longer-term commitment to our Outdoor Learning provision. The trip was organised and led by our teachers and support staff; Mr Bowen, Mrs Ross and Mrs Cox. We are blessed to have so many committed staff who give up their time with their own families to support the children so well. Thank you everyone who went along, organised and moved your timetables around to make the whole event go so well. The children were wonderful throughout. During their week away, the children engaged in activities such as kayaking, raft building, archery, orienteering, night walks, camp fires, quizzes and team building activities. I was particularly pleased to hear the children's experiences when they returned. Here are a few quotes from the children.

*"The thought of camping outside in the rain was scary at first, but sleeping in a tepee with your friends is so much fun!"*

*"Jumping off the dock into the water was awesome! Getting to push Mr Bowen in was even better."*

*"Getting to mountain bike through the High Ashurst woodland splashing through muddy puddles was great! I would do it again in a heartbeat."*

*"Getting to improve on my Kayaking and Paddle boarding skills from the Year 5 Mercers lake trip made me so happy."*

### Year 4 Activity Days

Well done to our Year 4 class who, as part of our Outdoor Learning Curriculum, went for three consecutive day trips to High Ashurst. Their teachers, support staff and volunteers; Mrs Rutter, Mrs Oastler, Miss Lindsay, Mrs Grogan, Mrs Meyer and Mr Jones braved the rain and organised the days so well. We were very proud to hear that the Year 4's received a compliment from their bus driver who commented that the children were exceptionally well behaved and 'the best-behaved class I've ever had - so polite and considerate'. As they received an unsolicited comment they were awarded an Ambassadors' playtime last Monday! Well done Year 4. Here are a few quotes from the children.

*"I really enjoyed the archery as I could tell I was getting better and better each time I shot an arrow!"*

*"My favourite activity was the climbing wall as it really took me out of my comfort zone."*

*"I was very proud of myself when learning how to build a campfire as the instructor said I was doing it really well."*

### INSET day

A reminder that there is an INSET day Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

### Harvest Festival

Please keep bringing in your donations for the foodbank 'Open Hands, Reigate'. The deadline for donations is Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October. The produce will be blessed in our upcoming Harvest Service at Christ Church on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 9.30am. Please do come along! All are welcome.

## Operation Christmas Child

As part of our 'Love Project' for the Autumn term we are asking families to support Operation Christmas Child. Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, a Christian international relief organisation. After sharing the story of the Good Samaritan, Jesus said "go and do likewise." This is the mission of Samaritan's Purse – to follow the example of Christ by helping those in need and proclaiming the hope of the Gospel. Through Operation Christmas Child, Samaritan's Purse aims to provide children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster or famine with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. This year, in conjunction with Christ Church, we have provided each class with three Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes. We are asking for children to bring in a couple of items suitable for boys or girls between the ages of 5 and 9 to fill these boxes. Please find a list of gift suggestions below or alternatively look on the Samaritan's Purse website: <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox/> All items need to be brought into school by Friday 15th November. Thank you in advance for your support.

### Gift Suggestions:

**Toys:** dolls, stuffed animal or toy, small musical instrument (such as a harmonica or recorder), small foam football or tennis ball, finger puppets, slinky, etch a sketch, skipping rope, play-doh, small puzzles, costume items to play dress-up, such as crowns and costume jewellery, plastic toys and toy figures, yo-yo, small frisbee, small kite.

**Hygiene Items:** comb, hairbrush, toothbrush, flannel, bar soap, reusable plastic containers: cup, water bottle, plate, bowl, blunt-edged utensils, hair bows, bracelets, sunglasses, non-liquid lip balm, solar powered torch, compact mirror.

**School Supplies:** pencils, small manual pencil sharpener, ruler, eraser, coloured pencils, pencil case, crayons, felt pens, colouring pads, colouring books, picture book, notebooks, glue sticks (not liquid glue), small adhesive tape, watercolour paint set (Finger paint palette, paint brushes, paper), chalkboard and chalk, geometry set, pre-inked stampers.

**Other:** hat/scarf/mittens, small bag/purse, friendship bracelets (woven with yarn or embroidery thread), make-it-yourself craft items or kit, binoculars.

**PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE:** Toothpaste, sweets, lotions and liquids; used or damaged items; war-related items; seeds, gum, chocolate or food items; religious or political literature; medicines, aerosol cans, sharp or fragile items.

## Flu Vaccination

The Surrey Immunisation team will be visiting the school on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2024 to deliver flu vaccinations via nasal spray. If you have not done so already, please can you consent or otherwise, no later than 12 noon on 15<sup>th</sup> October by clicking on the link in the attached letter.

## Update from PTFA

### Cinema Night - Friday 18th October

The PTFA are pleased to announce the return of our ever popular Cinema Night where we will be showing the Disney film "Wish". The tickets are £7 per child and include a hot dog, a drink and a sweet treat. Please make sure you include dietary requirements on the booking form. Tickets are purchased in advance at [www.pta-events.co.uk/nutfield](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/nutfield) If you can volunteer to help us run the event please let your class fundraiser know.

### South Nutfield Bonfire Spectacular

The village will once again come together and run this fabulous community event on Saturday 9th November. Tickets will soon be available to purchase from Holborns. As you know this event is run by a group of volunteers in our community and all profits are returned to the various clubs who provide those volunteers. The school PTFA always benefits well from the event so please look out for ways you can support from your class fundraiser. Raffle tickets will be coming home with the children very soon so please sell as many as you can - we have some amazing prizes.

Wishing you and your families a wonderful weekend!

Miss Woods

## DIARY DATES

Wellbeing Wednesday Yr 1	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October
Harvest Service at Christ Church	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October - 9.30am
PTFA Cinema Night	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October -3.15pm-5.15pm
Whole School Nasal Flu Vaccination	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October – 9.00am-11.30am - Hall
Wellbeing Wednesday Yr R	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October
Happy School Bag Collection	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October
INSET Day	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October
Wellbeing Wednesday Yr 6	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November
Buddy Collective Worship (Yr R and Year 6)	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 9.15am
Anti Bullying week - Choose Respect (Wear odd socks all week)	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November
Year One Phonics training	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm – 4.15pm – Classroom
Wellbeing Wednesday Yr 5	Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 2 assessment meeting for Parents and Carers	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm – 4.15pm - Classroom
EYFS Polka Theatre	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 10.00am-11.00am - Hall
PTFA Year 5 Cake Sale	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November – 3.15pm-3.45pm
School Photographer – Individual	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November -9.00am-11.30am
PTFA Non-uniform Day – Sweets for Christmas Fair	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November
Wellbeing Wednesday Yr 4	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November
Anti-bullying Workshop – KS2	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November
Parent and Carer Evenings	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November -3.30pm - 6.00pm
Parent and Carer Evenings	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November -3.30pm - 6.00pm
Parent and Carer Evenings	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November -3.30pm - 6.00pm
Wellbeing Wednesday Yr 3	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 2 Sparkfish Christmas Journey	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November
St. Andrew's Day	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November– blue shirt (Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> November)
SSA Parent and Carer Evenings	W/C Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December
Nativity Dress Rehearsal	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December – 2.00pm-3.00pm
Wellbeing Wednesday Yr 2	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December
Nativity Performance	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December – 2.00pm-3.00pm
Nativity Performance	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December – 2.00pm-3.00pm
Wellbeing Wednesday Yr 1	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Concert	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 6.00-7.00pm
Wellbeing Wednesday Yr R	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Lunch	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December – 12.00pm
Christmas Service at Christ Church	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December – 9.30am-11.00am
PTFA Christmas Fair	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 3.15pm -5.30pm
INSET Day 2024-25	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025
INSET Day 2024-25	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2025
INSET Day 2025-26	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025
INSET Day 2025-26	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2025
INSET Day 2025-26	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
INSET Day 2025-26	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026
INSET Day 2025-26	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026

