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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,

Since joining Nutfield Church Primary School, I have been immersing myself in our vibrant community. My aim is to work in partnership with our families, parish, and local community to foster an environment where children grow academically, spiritually, and socially.

Our dedicated staff are committed to providing a rich and balanced curriculum, high-quality teaching, and a caring, Christian school where every child's wellbeing is a priority. I believe that by working closely with you, we can create the best possible experience for your child; one filled with curiosity, kindness, and a love of learning.

I encourage you to get involved in school life, whether through events, the PTFA, or simply by keeping in touch with us about your child's progress.

I am pleased to share some fantastic news regarding attendance. Today, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September, we have achieved 100% attendance. We celebrate this achievement and hope it continues throughout the year. Our first day back, last Friday, Year 6 achieved 100% attendance. This is a credit to their parents and highlights the importance of every school day. At the other end of the school, our youngest pupils in Reception also deserve a round of applause for arriving on time. For a handful of Reception children, the start of school proved challenging. I acknowledge how hard this can be, and I applaud the perseverance of parents who coaxed their children to stay. It is never easy to leave your child when they are upset and surrounded by unfamiliar adults.

As Nutfield Church Primary School's Headteacher, I am here to make only the essential changes required to improve pupil outcomes.

Thank you for your kind words of support and your smiles. I will endeavour to be present in the playground at drop-off and collection times, so please feel free to come over and introduce yourself. If you would like to arrange a longer conversation or have a sensitive issue, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

Thank you for choosing Nutfield Church Primary School for your child's education. I look forward to getting to know you and your family as we begin this exciting journey together.

### Our Value this term

Our key Christian value this half term is Community. We will be talking to the children about our school community and the communities around us. Our Bible verse for the half term is pertinent for our children in these times. Loving our neighbour as ourselves is a principle for us all. Whether we are Christian, from another faith, have no religious affiliation we can all recognise the need to 'love our neighbours'. We encourage the children to play together, explore differences, celebrate diversity and be as accepting of others' beliefs. We recognise the need to stand up against unfairness and explore with them how to disagree peacefully.

### Welcome Reception

Parents and Carers of Reception have now been added to the Arbor Parent Portal; do look out for our regular class and school updates. You can also look on the learning section of the school's website to see information and photos of your class as the year progresses.

This year we welcome: Erin, Antonia, Albert, Florence, Harley, Reuben, Adeline, Ada, Elliot, Matthew, Emmeline, Lana, Ida, Rosie, Imogen, Joanna, Ianto, Niamh, Jack, Matas, Aurora, Tobias, Mya, Henry, Forest, Jude, Zack, Jude, Evelyn and Blake.

### Welcome older children

Welcome to the older children who have joined us this term. You have all done so well fitting in and managing changing schools. You and your families are very welcome here.

### Welcome staff

We are delighted to welcome Miss Pyle (Year 1), Mrs Constantin (various classes), Mrs Newman (Year 3), and Miss Best (Year 6). Each of them went through a rigorous selection process to support the high standards at our school. Since joining us, they have already demonstrated their commitment to achieving the best possible outcomes for your children.

### Wellbeing Wednesdays

This year we will continue with Wellbeing Wednesdays. As part of our Wellbeing Curriculum, once a half term, each class has a Wellbeing Wednesday. These dates will be communicated via the newsletters and on our website. On the relevant Wednesday, the Class Teacher is given the morning out of class to use as they wish, while the children enjoy a whole morning of PE with Coaches Pete and Luke from Supreme Sports. The coaches will focus on a particular sport or skill that the children are learning in PE and also teach them some fun games for their playtime and lunchtime.

### Autumn Term Clubs

We are fortunate to have a wide range of both 'internal' and 'external' after school clubs here at Nutfield Church. Internal clubs are run by teachers and external are run by outside providers.

#### Internal Clubs

Please find attached a programme of internal clubs. A form will be sent via email on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September**. Please 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 ask that you reapply for the Autumn term as a place on the club is no longer automatically carried over to the next term. For Choir, Speech & Drama and Orchestra, priority will be given to those children who already attend.

It will not be possible to change club attendance during the Autumn term and waiting lists will not be held. The closing date for application to clubs for the Autumn term will be **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September** and the School Office will communicate confirmed clubs by **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**.

Internal clubs will commence **w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> September** and end **w/c 17<sup>th</sup> November**. Please see the attachment for the days on which the clubs will run and what year groups are able to attend. Please ensure that your child is committed to attending a club for the whole term before signing them up.

#### External Clubs

Our two external clubs (Football and Sweatband Juniors) will continue to run in the Autumn term and both are booked directly with the club co-ordinator. Please see the attachment for the days on which these clubs will run.

For more information or to sign your child/children up to Sweatband Juniors, please contact Sam Harding on 07808 268836 or email at [sweatband-fitness@outlook.com](mailto:sweatband-fitness@outlook.com).

To book directly with Supreme Sports for Football Club, please use the following link: <https://supreme-sport.classforkids.io/term/137>

Please feel free to get in touch with the School Office should you have any questions.

### SENCO Update – a message from Mrs Cordey

Welcome back to a new academic year. I just wanted to let parents know what is happening in the world of SEND at NCPS. I am going to continue my role as SENCO and I will be covering that role on a Thursday and Friday every week.

We have an exciting new whole school initiative happening this academic year. We are implementing a new emotional literacy programme at school which incorporates a few new additions to the children's day.

1. Morning Check-ins:

Children will begin each morning and afternoon with a brief check-in where students can share how they are feeling using the visual aid of a feeling's thermometer.

## 2. Emotion Vocabulary Building:

Teachers will introduce new emotion words each week and discuss their meanings and expressions.

## 3. Mindfulness Activities:

Every morning and afternoon, there will be a short mindfulness exercise like deep breathing or guided imagery to help children manage stress and anxiety.

## 4. Calming Down Strategies:

Children will be taught specific techniques for calming down when they are feeling overwhelmed, such as counting to ten or taking a break, and each class will have a calm corner or a safe space.

Each class has a visual timetable and the children are encouraged to take ownership of this so that daily routines are embedded. This is something that will happen gradually throughout this half term as the children will require some input from their teacher. We are also in the process of setting up a sensory room in the Aquarium. Details to follow.

If you have any questions, or if you would like to talk to me about your child, please email me at [senco@nutfield.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:senco@nutfield.surrey.sch.uk).

## Ark

For those children attending our Ark wraparound care before school, children can be dropped off in the school playground between 7.45am and 8.00am. In the afternoons, the school gate is open for collections at 5.15pm. An early pick-up at 4.15pm is available and should be arranged with Ark in advance. If you are delayed for whatever reason, please call Ark on its dedicated number [07901000485](tel:07901000485). A late collection fee of £15 per 15 minutes will be charged if children are collected after 5.35pm.

## School Class Vacancies

We currently have spaces in Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6. If you know of anyone who has perhaps moved in to the area please could you share this with them.

## Farm Update

Thank you so much everyone who helped over the summer with the animals. Over the Summer one of our newest Guinea Pigs, Elsie, gave birth to three pups. Two boys and one girl. We have decided to keep the girl pup with her fellow female Guinea's and the two boys have gone to a new, safe and loving home.

Our new Year 6 Farm Managers have enjoyed helping out at the farm this week and it is great to see so much enthusiasm towards the farm and the animals.

## Harvest Service at Christ Church

We are very much looking forward to being able to hold our Harvest Service at Christ Church once again. The service will take place at 9.30 on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October and we warmly invite parents to worship with us. Every year during Harvest we collect specific food items. These food items are given to Christ Church in order to support their mission to help those less fortunate in our community. This year Christ Church is collecting for the foodbank 'Open Hands, Reigate'. 'Open Hands, Reigate' is explicitly Christian but supports all those who need their services and is run by the founders of the Renewed Hope Trust.

We are asking each year group to collect specific items which 'Open Hands, Reigate' has specified as being in high demand. EYFS: Multi-packs of crisps, Year 1: Children's cereals, Year 2: Biscuits (both sweet and savoury), Year 3: Long life milk, jars of coffee, squash, Year 4: Tinned meat meals, tins of tuna, Year 5: Jars of curry, Chinese and sweet and sour sauce, Year 6: Jars of pasta sauce.

Please could you start bringing in your donations from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025. The deadline for donations is Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025. Thank you so much in advance for your support.

## Supporting Your Community

Arts Takeover, back for its third year, is a week-long celebration of art, comedy, drama, fashion, music, and more, in multiple venues across Redhill and the surrounding area.

Bookings are now open for Arts Takeover 25 - a week-long celebration of art, comedy, drama, fashion, music and more - taking place in and around Redhill from 4 to 11 October. This will be an inclusive, creative festival with plenty of low-



cost activities and free performances to enjoy. With 11 venues taking part so far, and dozens of events to choose from, this year's Arts Takeover is going to be bigger and better than ever.

[https://www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/events/event/1190/arts\\_takeover\\_25](https://www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk/events/event/1190/arts_takeover_25)

I am delighted to have seen all of our children settle in so well this week. We have much to look forward to in the term. I hope you have a lovely weekend with your family and look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Mrs Farray-Green

## DIARY DATES

Autumn Term	
Year 6 – Residential Trip – High Ashurst	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> September – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 5 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September
Start of Year Eucharist - Southwark	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 7.00pm
Year R - Phonics training	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September – 3.30pm – 4.15pm Year R Classroom
Year 4 – Activity Days High Ashurst	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September – Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 3 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September
Year 4 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October
Love Project Launch week	W/C 6 <sup>th</sup> October
Year 2 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October
Year 1 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October
Harvest Service at Christ Church	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October – 9.30am
Year 6 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October
Year 5 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November
Buddy Collective Worship (Yr R and Year 6)	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> November 9.05am
Anti Bullying week - Choose Respect (Wear odd socks all week)	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November
Year One Phonics training	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November 3.30pm – 4.15pm – Classroom
Year 4 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November
School Photographer – Individual	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> November -9.00am-11.30am
Year 3 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November
Parent and Carer Evenings	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> November -3.30pm - 6.00pm
Parent and Carer Evenings	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> November -3.30pm - 6.00pm
Parent and Carer Evenings	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November -3.30pm - 6.00pm
Year 2 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 2 Sparkfish Christmas Journey	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 9.30
St. Andrew's Day	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December– blue shirt (Sunday 30th November)
SSA Parent and Carer Evenings	W/C Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> December
Year 1 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December
Nativity Dress Rehearsal	Monday 8th December– 2.00pm-3.00pm
Nativity Performance	Tuesday 9th December – 2.00pm-3.00pm
Year R Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December
Nativity Performance	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December – 2.00pm-3.00pm
Whole School Nasal Flu Vaccination/Yr R and 6 Heights and Weights	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 9.00am-11.30am
Christmas Concert	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 6.00-7.00pm
Year 6 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Lunch	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December – 12.00pm
Christmas Service at Christ Church	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December – 9.30am