

## **ISSUE No.3 AUTUMN TERM 2025**

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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,

#### **School Uniform**

At Nutfield Church Primary School, our uniform plays a vital role in creating a sense of community and equality at school. When our children wear their uniform, they are a visible part of our school team, building a sense of pride. Please do visit the school website here for a list of the correct school uniform requirements.

We thank you for your continued support in ensuring your child is properly dressed for the school day.

#### **Packed Lunches**

As part of our commitment to fostering a healthy school community, we would like to provide our expectations for those children that have packed lunches. A nutritionally-balanced lunch is vital for a child's health and concentration, and it significantly supports their physical development and learning. For guidance on what to include and for some healthy lunch box recipes, please click <a href="here">here</a>. Please also be reminded that the school is **nut free**. Thank you for your support.

#### **Attendance and Punctuality**

The number of children coming into school on time and independently has noticeably improved and I would like to thank parents and carers for their continued support. Our school is a safe and welcoming space where together, we can help our children grow into independent, responsible learners who value their education and take pride in their progress.

#### **SEN Coffee Mornings**

Following on from our involvement in the PINS project last academic year, we are putting in place a number of initiatives as part of our ongoing commitment to this project. We have been working closely with Woodlands School which is part of Autism Outreach, see more information below.

Woodlands School is an outstanding special school for pupils aged 2 to 19 years of age with Severe or Profound Learning Difficulties. In addition, some pupils have complex medical needs or autism. All of our pupils need the support of a specialised curriculum to enable them to reach their full potential. We have a highly skilled and dedicated group of staff who support the pupils to develop holistically in all areas. We believe that education for our pupils is about preparation for life. Communication and literacy are very high priority for all pupils along with a broad and balanced curriculum, including learning to be independent, accessing the community and learning about the world we live in.

As well as staff training, we are planning a couple of coffee mornings. Nicola Vivian, from the Outreach Team, will present to parents. Afterwards, there will be an opportunity for parents to meet each other, Nicola, myself and Mrs Farray-Green over coffee. The dates are as follows:

Monday 10th November 2025 9am to 10.15am - Autism top tips

Monday 12th January 2026 9am to 10.15am - Autism - masking and self-regulation

## **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 five 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: <a href="https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox/">https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/what-goes-in-my-shoebox/</a> All items need to be brought into school by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October. 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.

## **Ark Wraparound Provision**

The children in Ark love to play outside on our scooters, and we are on the lookout for more. If you have any scooters or helmets that you no longer need, Ark would be very grateful to have them.

We are currently looking for additional staff for our wraparound before and after school club, Ark. If you are interested or know anyone that may be interested in joining the team, please do click here for further details. <a href="https://nutfieldchurchprimary.co.uk/job-vacancies/">https://nutfieldchurchprimary.co.uk/job-vacancies/</a>

### **Amazon Wish List**

Thank you very much to everyone who has purchased and donated items to the school in the past. If you are new to the school, we have an Amazon wish list to communicate our various needs. Should you wish to purchase something for the school, our wish list can be found by scanning the QR code.



## **Headteacher Coffee Morning**

I am pleased to confirm that there will be two Headteacher's coffee mornings and I am looking forward to meeting many of your there. The dates will be as follows:

Tuesday 21st October, 9-9.30am: KS1 Parents (Year R, Year 1 & Year 2)

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 9-9.30am: KS2 Parents (Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6)

## Message from the PTFA

### **PTFA AGM**

The PTFA are holding their AGM on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October and all parents are invited. We will share the details of how much we raised in the last academic year and discuss plans for how those funds will be spent this year as well as reelecting our committee members. Please speak to your Class Fundraiser with any questions or for other details.

## **PTFA Cinema Night**

On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October we will kick off this year's fundraising with our first Cinema Night. We will be showing Encanto in the Hall straight after school. For those of you that are new to the school, tickets can be purchased for your child via <a href="https://www.pta-events.co.uk/nutfield">www.pta-events.co.uk/nutfield</a>. This will entitle them to go straight to the hall from school at 3:15 where they will watch the film. We will provide popcorn, a hotdog and a sweet treat as well as drinks - all included in the price.

Collection will then be from the school playground at 5:15pm. We are still looking for volunteers to help us run this event so please contact your Class Fundraiser if you can help with set up, set down or during the event.

## **South East Surrey Dyslexia Association**

The South East Surrey Dyslexia Association are running a support evening for parents on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Further details can be found on the attached poster.

#### **Barnardo's Surrey Paediatrics Parenting Support Group**

Please see the attached flyers for Barnardo's Surrey Paediatric Parenting Support Service for families with children aged 5 and under who may be showing signs of neurodiversity, have a diagnosis, or are simply experiencing challenges at home. They are offering coffee morning/afternoon sessions to provide practical strategies, emotional support, and a space for parents and carers to connect. While they specialise in neurodiversity, all families navigating early parenting challenges are welcome.

## **Light Party at St Mary's Church**

Father Paul invites children and their families to a very special Light Party held at St Mary's Church in Bletchingley on Saturday 1st November, 3-5pm. This is a free event but you will need to book tickets via eventbrite. Further information can be found on the attached poster.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend with your families.

### Mrs Farray-Green

#### **DIARY DATES**

Autumn Term	
Year 1 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October
Harvest Service at Christ Church	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October – 9.05am
PTFA AGM	Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October – 6.00pm-7.00pm Hall
PTFA Cinema Night	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October -3.15pm-5.15pm Hall
Headteacher Coffee Morning – KS1	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October
Headteacher Coffee Morning – KS2	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October
Year 6 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October
Year 2 Trip to Nower Wood	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</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	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November
odd socks all week)	
Autism and Top Tips Coffee Morning	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> November – 9.00am – 10.15am
Remembrance Service	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November – 10.50am
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
PTFA Year 5 Cake Sale	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November – 3.15pm-3.45pm
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 4 Trip to Polka Theatre	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 2 Sparkfish Christmas Journey	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 9.30
Happy School Bag Collection	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November
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 5 Trip to Tate Modern	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December

Year 1 Wellbeing Wednesday	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December
PTFA Non-uniform Day – Sweets for	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Fair	
Nativity Dress Rehearsal	Monday 8th 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 10th December – 2.00pm-3.00pm
Whole School Nasal Flu Vaccination/Yr R	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 9.00am-11.30am
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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-11.00am
PTFA Christmas Fair	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 3.15pm -5.30pm