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NUTFIELD CHURCH (C OF E) PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Love never fails

1 Corinthians 13:8

Dear Parents and Carers,

Easter Service

I can hardly believe we are already nearly in Easter! Our hopes this season are that new life is breathed in to our school, our community and of course our world. Our Easter service will be held this year at Christchurch on Tuesday 24th March. The service will begin at 9.30am prompt.

New Curriculum

As you know we are developing our New Curriculum. As part of this we are looking for businesses who may like to partner us by sponsoring new initiatives or offering their expertise to help us improve our school. If you would like to recommend a business or indeed are involved in a business, please read the letter which has come home in your child's book bag.

Playtimes

After our 'big playground sort out' all the adults and the children have been talking about how to make our playtimes more engaging. Our children have come up with lots of ideas, which we are now implementing. School Council have been instrumental in this and I would like to say a big thank you and well done to all the children who have been part of this. Mrs Rodd, one of our Governors, is coming to our next school council meeting to discuss creating an Anti-Bullying Children's Charter. I am very keen that the culture in this school is that no bullying is tolerated. Nutfield needs to be a place where everyone is welcomed and allowed to be themselves.

Litter Picking Week

Next week is our Eco Week which Miss Bath, in her role as Humanities Leader will be organising. We will be having special assemblies, activities and talks. As part of Eco Week, we will be working with the Nutfield Conservation Society. They are committed to helping our children learn how to look after their community. I am delighted that everyone in school will be involved in the 'litter pick' which will take place on Friday 20th March. It will be held in various places, both around the school and the village. We will be holding a poster competition where the children will be asked to design and draw/paint/make a poster to encourage others to look after our world. Teachers will select the three best posters from each key stage and then judges from the Conservation Society will be awarding prizes for winning entries on Monday 23rd March.

Safeguarding

As you all know, we are regularly improving our safeguarding procedures. In order to tighten up morning routines I would like Breakfast Club to come in through the front door from 23rd March. The gate from the playground will be opened at 8.40am. This will stop anyone being able to enter the school grounds before a member of staff is in the playground.

Library

We are so excited that our new library is really coming together now. Following our very successful author visit and some reorganising of books as well as your many generous offerings over the past month, we are nearly ready to officially open! In the interim we are incredibly pleased to welcome a new member of our volunteering team. Mrs Sylvia Jarvis, whom many of you know having had children go through the Nutfield Pre-School, when she owned and ran it, is going to work with us on a Friday to help us set up a regular library timetable. Each Friday she will help our children browse and select quality books and really learn to love reading. Our reading results have been very good in this school and we aim to maintain these high standards for years to come. Do say hello to Mrs Jarvis as you see her around the school. Her first day will be 20th March.

World War 2 day – 11th March 2015 Years 5 and 6

On Wednesday, 11th March, Years 5 and 6 had a thrilling World War 2 experience. We were able to wear our own clothes to dress up as an evacuee. Firstly, there was a play by The Hobgoblin acting group (who hosted the morning). They performed a play called Thompson's War and it was about an awesome family. They had a son who was away in the war and a younger son who looked up to him. The oldest son (Richard) had to come home because he was terribly ill. The family during this time were preparing for his visit and had many adventures along the way with friends.

We had a break and after that we got started on the exciting workshop. Firstly we warmed up by exercising our imaginations and bodies. We then got to work on modelling our partners into characters from the play. Then we got into groups and were modelled by pairs and made scenes that would be found in World War 2. After that we went back to our classrooms and made realistic looking gas masks that we could actually wear. Next there was gardening involved and we planted lots of different vegetables that would have been eaten in the war. Soon after we tried fried jam sandwiches called 'poor Knight's fingers' which is a war time recipe. Then we acted out plays we had written ourselves and it was a great end to the day. We all loved the day and hoped we could do something like that again soon.

By Holly Saunders (Y5) and Guy Strain (Y6)

Parents' Evenings

As you know we are holding our Parents' Evenings on Tuesday 17th March 4pm – 7pm and Thursday 19th March 3.30pm – 5.30pm. Please do sign up if you haven't already. If you have any problems meeting at the time given due to work or if you have a child at St Bede's and are also going to the Year 7 meeting and would like an alternative appointment, please contact the class teachers who will be happy to help you.

Football Update

With the first round of games in a three week football tournament now completed, Nutfield sit in a very positive second place. Nutfield have only played two games so far, defeating both Dormansland and Godstone 1-0, with goals from Sam Luard and Harvey Lewis. Two games, two goals, two clean sheets and two wins is a fantastic start for the year 5/6 boys football team, leaving them one of only two unbeaten teams in the league. Our next matches are St Catherine's, St Stephen's and St Mary's, to be played next Wednesday at Nutfield.

Nutfield Village Road Races - Monday 6th April 2015

Are you a good runner? Do you like to run in races? Would you like the chance to win a trophy and a Crème Egg?

On Easter Monday, the Nutfield Village Road Races will take place in South Nutfield. There are four competitions in all – the junior race, the 5 mile adult handicapped race, the 3½ mile fun run and the 5 mile walk.

All children at Nutfield Church Primary School in years 3 to 6 can enter for the junior race. The junior race is about 800m long, the route starting at The Station Pub, going along The Copse, into Kingsmead and back along Morris Road to the Pub. It is fully marshalled and starts at 10.30am from outside the Station Pub. Please turn up 30 minutes

before the race to register or fill out an entry form in advance for a cheaper entry fee and faster registration on the day.

Entry forms and full details of the event are available from Holborns Shop or online at http://www.nutfieldlink.co.uk/page_494489.asp.

Road Race day is a family event and there will be lots going on from 10 in the morning, including a barbeque in the garden, and the pub will be serving a usual Sunday menu. There will be a 'Bling Your Bike' competition at 12 noon, so decorate your bike and make sure it looks fantastic for a chance to win a prize, kindly donated by Keiron and Jeanette from the Station Pub.

They will also be raising money for the Motor Neurone Disease Association on the day, helping local resident Howard Fine, and his friend Andy Cook, who are cycling 1700 miles to the south of Spain in April to raise £10,000 for MNDA in support of their friend Dave Setters who is living with the disease. You can find details of the Cycling to Spain for MNDA fundraising project at <https://cycletospain.wordpress.com/>.

Looking forward to seeing lots of you there.

Bags 2 School

The Bags 2 School collection will be made on 27th April. Bags will be distributed a week before. Please fill the bags with good quality items, the details of which will be printed on the bag. Once the bags are collected they will be weighed and the school will be given some money for the total weight made.

Midday Meals Supervisor

We have been advertising in the newsletter for some time now and unfortunately have had no luck. We appreciate the hours are right in the middle of the day but would love to have one or two people on the team who would support our very dedicated team of ladies. The Midday Meals Supervisor team help the children come in to the hall, eat their dinner happily and importantly play well outside. If you would like to come and support our hard working team please do make yourself known to the School Office. Please see the advert below:

We are looking to employ an enthusiastic person for 5 days a week, term time only, to work with our team of Midday Meals Supervisors with responsibility for ensuring the safety of our children during the lunchtime break.

The post of Midday Meals Supervisor will be for 6.25 hours per week, from 12.00 to 1.15pm. Pay is under the Surrey Pay Scale Grade 1/2, from £14,739 to £15,399 pa (pro rata to £2,125 to £2,220 for 6.25 hours per week, term time only).

No experience is necessary, other than a desire to work with children. Training will be provided.

The school is strongly committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS (Disclosure and Barring Scheme) Check. Any appointment will be subject to DBS enhanced clearance and satisfactory references.

Application forms and further details are available from the School Office.

Walking Bus Supervisor

We would like to reintroduce the Walking Bus and are looking to employ an enthusiastic person for 5 days a week, term time only, as our Walking Bus Supervisor with responsibility for ensuring the safety of our children from the Station Hotel pub to school.

The post of Walking Bus Supervisor will be for 2.5 hours per week, from 8.25am to 8.55am every morning, term time only. Pay is under the Surrey Pay Scale, SP1/2, from £14,989 to £15,649 (pro rata to £864 to £902 for 2.5 hours per week).

No experience is necessary, although experience of working with children would be preferable, and a desire to work with children. Training will be provided. If you are interested in this position please come to the School Office for more details. Any appointment will be subject to DBS enhanced clearance and satisfactory references.

Catering Assistant

We have a vacancy in the school kitchen for a Catering Assistant. Term time only. Hours 11.30am – 1.30pm. For further details please go onto the Surrey County Council website and look under jobs.

Lollypop person

Does anyone know a member of the community who may like to become our lollypop person? We would love to see a friendly face for an hour each morning and another hour each afternoon to help our children cross the road safely each day. We have a lollypop ready to go.

Flute, Recorder, Violin, Drums and Piano Lessons

We currently have vacancies for flute, recorder, violin, drums and piano lessons. If you are interested, please ask at the School Office or apply to Surrey Arts direct. The piano lessons are given to children from age 8 years upwards.

Imogen Woods
Headteacher

Dates

We have added new dates to our newsletter including upcoming tournaments and Class Assemblies. Please add these to your diary.

DATE	EVENT
Friday 13 th March	Red Nose Day
16 th – 20 th March	Eco Week
Tuesday 17 th March	Parents' Evening 4pm – 7pm
Wednesday 18 th March	Years 5 & 6 Football at St Marys
Thursday 19 th March	Parents' Evening 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Friday 20 th March	Year 5 to Warwick School for Chemistry Day
Friday 20 th March	Litter Pick
Friday 20 th March	PTFA Quiz Night 7.30pm
Monday 23 rd March	Years 5 & 6 Netball at Oxted School 4pm
Tuesday 24 th March	Easter Service 9.30am
Tuesday 24 th March	PTFA Cinema 3.30pm – 5.15pm
Thursday 26 th March	Years 5 & 6 Boys' Football RESERVE, St Mary's
Friday 27 th March	Year 1 Class Assembly 9am
Friday 27 th March	Year 3 Cake Sale
Friday 27 th March	Break up for Easter
Monday 13 th April	INSET DAY
Tuesday 14 th April	School Opens