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NUTFIELD CHURCH (C OF E) PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

How good and pleasant it is
when God's people live together in unity!

Psalm 133:1

Dear Parents and Carers

Year 1 Phonics evening

The Year 1 Phonics meeting was very well attended last week by parents and we all practised reading and using our phonemes. Thank you to Miss Cook, Miss Morris and Mrs Cordey who led the meeting. This was a valuable opportunity for our Year 1 Parents to hear about how we apply phonics throughout the year, how we prepare the children for their phonics test in June and how we teach these methods in class. There is a power point of the meeting on the school's website in the Year One page: <http://nutfieldprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/Introduction-to-Phonics-and-the-Phonics-Screening-Check-2017.pdf>

PTFA news

As some of you will know Sam Beake, our PTFA Chair will be leaving us to relocate with her family to America. We wish them all the very best in their adventure together. In her time with us, Sam has become an excellent Chair and has, with Nicky and Maxine and the rest of our very committed PTFA, helped raise over £11,000. She has met with me regularly throughout the year. She has been so kind and enthusiastic; we will all miss her here very much! In her place though we welcome Mrs Jenkins and Mrs Russell. All three met with me this year to discuss fundraising ideas for this term and ideas for the rest of the year too. Thank you ladies for stepping in to this role. We all know you will both do a superb job. The Nutfield Angels for each class help coordinate the fundraising of each class each year. We would like to thank Jane Dunn who has stood down from her role this year and welcome Sarah Abellan, Sarah Robson, Penny Hickey and Simone Duncan who are angels for the first time. We are still looking for a Year 5 angel so please do let us know if you feel you could take on this role.

PTFA Co-Chairs	Sophie Russell/ Louise Jenkins
Year R	Simone Duncan
Year 1	Charlotte Holborn
Year 2	Sarah Robson, Penny Hickey
Year 3	Julie Barwick
Year 4	Trina Pearse, Lyndsey Lyon, Nicola Arnold
Year 5	None
Year 6	Sarah Abellan, Carlene Fleming

Governors

Our governor quiz night is this Friday. If you would like to come along and support this event you can contact Serena Fowler through the school office. Tickets cost £10 per head and include food.

Our class Governors are:

Year R	Sam Nicholls
Year 1	Michael Hill
Year 2	Kristy Armer
Year 3	Serena Fowler
Year 4	Simon Mould
Year 5	Chris Pearse
Year 6	Diane Martin

Fireworks

Last year, the Fireworks Association generously donated £1,700 to the PTFA, which is an enormous contribution towards the £10,000 target. Your Class Angels will be in touch with you soon, requesting help and support in organising and running this event. It really does make a difference to the money raised for enrichment of activities at the school. Please do your best to help and if you can spare just 30 minutes or one hour we would be very grateful.

Residential – Year 4

Our residential group of Y4's are on their way back from The Countryside Educational Trust, Beaulieu tomorrow. They've had lots of fun! I am looking forward to hearing all the details of their exciting activities.

Dress Up Days

Our first Dress Up day is on Monday and we are really excited to see what the children will come as! Please send your child to school dressed up as their favourite job or as someone who works in a job that they are interested in. Our Working week aims to help the children begin to think about economic well-being and all the myriad of roles that they might be interested in exploring in the future. If you know of anyone with an interesting job or indeed you yourself would be willing to come in and talk about your job please contact your child's class teacher at the end of the school day. I know the teachers are hoping to make their week's learning as interesting as possible.

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. Their mission is to provide children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster, and famine. They send shoeboxes. These are usually wrapped with Christmas gift paper and filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. If you would like to support this project, please could your child bring a shoe box filled with gifts into school by Monday 6th November.

For more information about how to fill a shoe box and to see the impact a simple shoebox gift packed and sent with love, has on a child and how it reaches into a community please visit www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk.

Science

On Friday 6th October Year 6 were visited by Mrs Jones (mother of Harriet Jones) who is a science teacher from Charles Darwin School in Kent. She came in to help our oldest children have a go at a year 7 Science lesson. They examined the functions of the heart and kidneys and they all really enjoyed themselves and were very sensible with such a challenging Science lesson. Many thanks to Mrs Boyle who teaches Science across the school who organised this session. I know the children really enjoyed it and from parent feedback it seems they have been talking about it a lot since.

School Office Hours

The school office is open from 8.30am until 3.45pm every day. During the morning rush, the answering machine remains on until 9.00am while the office staff are dealing with queries at the office window. The messages left on the answering machine are dealt with as soon as the last parent has left the school office. If you are going to be late picking your child up from an after school club, please let the office know as early as possible so they can pass on the message to the appropriate teacher. Please do not worry that your child will be left. All staff have access to the data information for each child so they will be able to use contact numbers to reach parents.

School Meals

Thank you to all those parents who pay their dinner money promptly at the start of the week or each half term. This does save the school office from having to send out reminder invoices. Dinner money for the next half term remains at £11.25 per week. The total if you wish to pay for the 2nd half of the term is £87.75. Cheques should be made payable to Surrey County Council. If you would like details of how to pay online, please contact the school office. All payments for school meals should be received in the first week of term.

School Shop Price List

Please make sure your children are well stocked with their stationery for the new year. The shop is open every Tuesday lunchtime at 12.30pm

Berol writing pen (blue)	28p
Pencil	20p
Ruler	17p
Glue Stick	75p
Rubber	10p
Pencil Sharpener	48p
Whiteboard Pens	38p

Imogen Woods - Headteacher

DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT
Wednesday 11 th – Friday 13 th Oct	Year 4 – The Countryside Educational Trust (Beaulieu) residential visit
Thursday 12 th October	Yr 5 & 6 – Ancient Greek day
Friday 13 th October	Governors' Quiz Night (7.30pm – 10pm)
Monday 16 th October	Dress Up Day – Working Week – Dress as your favourite job
Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October	HALF TERM
Monday 30 th October	PTFA Cinema (3.15 – 5.15pm)
Friday 3 rd November	Yr 2 - Cake Sale (3.15pm)
Monday 6 th November	Operation Christmas Child - Shoeboxes need to be in by this date
Monday 6 th November	Tag Rugby Yr 5 & 6 - Oxted School (3.30 – 5pm)
Thursday 16 th November	School Photographer – Pre-school (8.30am start) siblings and individual
Wednesday 22 nd November	Flu vaccination programme (Years R,1,2,3,4 – paperwork to follow)
Wednesday 22 nd November	Girls Football – Yr 5 & 6 – Oxted School (3.30 – 5pm)
Friday 24 th November	Yr 3 – Cake Sale (3.15pm)
Tuesday 28 th November	Parents' Evening (3.30 – 5.30 pm)
Wednesday 29 th November	Headteacher's Tour – Prospective new parents for September 2018 (9.15 – 10.15am)
Wednesday 29 th November	Headteacher's Tour – Prospective new parents for September 2018 (2 – 3pm)
Wednesday 29 th November	Parents' Evening (3.30 – 5.30 pm)
Thursday 30 th November	Dress Up Day – St. Andrew's day Team - Dress in blue or purple
Thursday 30 th November	Parents' Evening (3.30 – 5.30 pm)
Tuesday 5 th December	Handball Festival – Oxted School Yr 3 & 4 – no spectators (3.15 – 5pm)
Tuesday 12 th December	KS1 Nativity – Dress Rehearsal (parents with small children welcome)
Wednesday 13 th December	KS1 Nativity (2 – 3pm)
Thursday 14 th December	KS1 Nativity (2 – 3pm)
Tuesday 19 th December	PTFA Christmas event (3.30pm)
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas service at Christ Church (9.30am)
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas lunch
4 th & 5 th January 2018	INSET DAYS
23 rd July 2018	INSET DAY