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

For I have plans for you says the Lord, Plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans to give you **hope** and a future. (Jeremiah Ch29 v11-13)

Dear Parents and Carers,

### English

Our English EPGS (grammar) meeting was well received a few weeks ago. Mrs Roper explained changes in the English curriculum, shared EPGS sample tests and some of us even had a go at a sample test which our Year 2's will undertake later on in May this year. Changes to grammar and the expectations of technical language in schools are significant. To help parents get more familiar with the terminology, Mrs Roper has uploaded her presentation notes on to our website. Please navigate to the 'LEARNING' section on the front page, click on 'English' then select 'KEY VOCABULARY'. We do hope you find this useful. There is also information in the English section on KS1 Phonics tests, SATS for KS1 and 2 and EPGS.

### Science Week – 8<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2016

As part of our drive to continue to improve the profile of Science in our school, we have decided to hold our very own Science Week. This will take place on the dates above. We have many exciting activities planned for the week and these include a special Science Dress Up Day, a Science Quiz and a visit from Sublime Science who will carry out a number of workshops with every class. This is a great opportunity from a company that originally began its roots on Dragon's Den. They have even had an accolade from 10 Downing Street! In addition each class will be learning about a different British Scientist. We will also be holding a special Science Fair which will be held at the end of the week, where the children can showcase what they have learnt and produced. Mrs Crocker will be sending out a letter tomorrow with more details about the event.

### Class Collective Worship

This morning we saw Year 3's lead a wonderful Class Collective Worship. Thank you to Miss Morris and Mrs Fine and Mrs Wilkinson for all your hard work and of course to the children who started our Spring Term Collective Worship off so well. Year 5's Collective Worship will be tomorrow at 9am. Years 2, 4 and 6's Collective Worship will also be held this term. Years R and 1's Collective Worship will be held later on in the year in the Summer Term. Please look on the website and at the end of this newsletter for times and dates.

### Family Friday

Thank you to all the parents who left such positive comments about our Family Friday which was held last week. The aim was to give parents a taster of some of the activities your child/children undertake in their day to day learning. We were delighted to see so many of you there! I think next year we may run them in the hall! Years 3 and 4 will be having their Family Friday soon, we are looking forward to seeing you all there – please check the website and diary dates at the end of this newsletter for dates and times.

### Outdoor Learning

On Saturday 27th February we will be holding a special wildlife area/hedge clearing event. This will enable us to work with the children in these areas safely. We need an army of volunteers to help us on the day. Miss Bath has asked for any volunteers to sign up with her or to add their names to the list in the office. You are of course able to bring your children but unfortunately no dogs are able to be on site. If you are able to help we would be very grateful. Please could you bring along any spades, loppers, secateurs you may have that we could borrow on the day.

## **Lego Club**

We are proposing to have a new club on a Monday after school. This will be lead and organised by Surrey Young Engineers. The club will involve giving children in Years 2-6 the opportunity to learn about mechanical engineering, physics and maths while having fun building Lego motorised machines. The club will start in April after Easter. A flyer for this club is attached to our newsletter. If you would like to know more please contact [jyoti@young-engineers.co.uk](mailto: jyoti@young-engineers.co.uk) tel: 07875 599474. If we have enough interest for the club we will offer it on a Monday after school from 3.15pm – 4.15pm. The club will be held in the school hall.

## **Library**

Mrs Abellan and Mrs Cooper have been very hard at work over the past few weeks! They are using their considerable artistic skills to create a beautiful mural in the entrance to our library. What was a small idea has turned in to a veritable work of art! We are very, very grateful to the parents who sanded down our doors and walls, the PTFA who have contributed to the paints and also to parents who have contributed in personal ways. There are parts of the mural that remember the children who are no longer with us, but are remembered in our prayers. If you or your family has anyone who you would like to remember in this way please do feel free to contact me. To finish the library mural we would like to carpet the area just outside the library. We would like to hear from anyone who would be willing to fit some carpet for us (free of charge) in this small area.

## **PTFA**

The PTFA run superb events throughout the year. We are very grateful for their hard work and enthusiasm. A big thank you to our team who are at the moment of writing this newsletter doing a big 'garage sort out'! This week's quiz night promises to be a wonderful event. It starts at 7.30pm and goes through until 10pm. This is a fun filled event for adults only. It's a wonderful way to connect to new people. We look forward to seeing you all there.

## **Years 3 and 4 visit to Redhill**

The Years 3 and 4 visit to Redhill has been moved to Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> February to give both classes more time to be in Redhill before returning by train. A letter was sent out yesterday. If you have any questions about the trip, please contact the class teachers.

## **Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call – Caring for the whole person – 2016**

This year, the Bishop of Southwark's Lent Call will be supporting projects in the Diocese of Southwark, the Holy Land and in our link Dioceses in Zimbabwe. In order to raise money for these important causes, we will be holding a sponsored walk. This will take place during school time on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March. Each class will be allocated a time in the day to complete a number of laps of the school field within a set time (according to age and year group). We will be sending home sponsor forms with the children over February half term; we hope to raise lots of money! Thank you in advance for your support. As you may know, last year we raised money for St Patrick's Hospital in Zimbabwe. The hospital is now open but not yet fit for purpose. Our colleagues at the hospital would appreciate donations which will pay towards basic equipment such as curtains, beds and lockers. The hospital has a direct impact on the health care of the children at our link school St Patrick's and so we are keen to offer support. On Ash Wednesday (Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February) we will give all the children one pint of milk in a bottle and will ask them to use the milk up, wash the milk bottle and fill it with money. As soon as the bottle is filled you may send it in to the school. Ideally all bottles will be with us no later than Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March. At our Easter service at Christchurch the money collected will be blessed and added to any monies raised by the congregation at the church.

You can support this Lenten fundraising effort and have fun with your family by coming along to the 'Fit for Purpose' family pancake breakfast. This will be held on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February from 9.30am – 10.25am at Christchurch. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to come along. Tel: 01737 821371 or [parish.office@cc-nutfield.org.uk](mailto: parish.office@cc-nutfield.org.uk).

## **Mrs Cook**

Very sadly we are to say goodbye to our wonderful Mrs Cook. Mrs Cook has been at the school for 6 years. She is currently our Year 6 Teaching Assistant, Senior Midday Meals supervisor and one of our Governors. She is taking on a role outside of education which fits around her family life better. We will all miss her very much and I know you will want to thank her for all her time, commitment and energy. In the last few years, she has been a great support in our journey to 'Good'. The children and staff here will miss her very much.

**DAIRY DATES**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	PTFA Quiz Night 7.30pm – 10.30pm (parents only)
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Saxons and Vikings – Years 5 & 6 Workshop (in school)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	PTFA Cinema (3.15pm – 5.15pm)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 4 Collective Worship – (9am)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Key Stage 2 SATS meeting – 3.15 – 4pm – Year 6 classroom
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Year 3 Cake Sale &amp; Second-hand Uniform Sale (3.15pm) Break up for Half Term</b>
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 3 and 4 visit to Redhill
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Years 3 & 4 Family Friday (2.15pm - 3pm)
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	World Book Day (dress as your favourite book character donate £1 to Reading Rocks)
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Collective Worship – (9am)
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 Collective Worship – (9am)
w/c Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	SPRING TERM CLUBS END
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Cake Sale & Second-hand Uniform Sale (3.15pm)
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Parents Evening 1 (3.30pm – 5.45pm)
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Parents Evening 2 (3.30pm – 5.45pm)
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Easter Service at Christ Church (9.30am)
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parents Evening 3 (3.30pm – 5.45pm)
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Years 5 & 6 Samba Workshop (1.30pm – 3.05pm)
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>BREAK UP FOR EASTER</b>
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>INSET DAY</b>
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>School Opens</b>
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 5 Cake Sale & Second-hand Uniform Sale (3.15pm)
9 <sup>th</sup> May – 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Key Stage 2 SATS– Year 6
9 <sup>th</sup> May – 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 residential trip to Beaulieu
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 Cake Sale & Second-hand Uniform Sale (3.15pm)
23 <sup>rd</sup> May – 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 residential trip to Barton Hall
15 <sup>th</sup> - 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 residential trip to Hindleap Warren
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Collective Worship – (9am)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Year R Cake Sale & Second-hand Uniform Sale (3.15pm)
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Years 5 & 6 Family Friday (2.15pm - 3pm)
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	PTFA Summer Fair (12noon - 3pm)
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Year R Collective Worship – (9am)
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	SPORTS DAY (SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE MARK DAY) (1pm – 3.15pm)
11 <sup>th</sup> July – 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Expressive Arts Week
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Music Event Years 5 and 6 showcasing samba drumming
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Dress Rehearsal for KS2 Production (1.30pm – 3pm)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Production (6pm – 7.45pm)
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Production (6pm – 7.45pm)
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Arts/Music Exhibition
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's Service at Christ Church (9.30am)
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Reserve Sports Day (1pm – 3.15pm)
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	<b>BREAK UP FOR SUMMER (3.15pm)</b>