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NUTFIELD CHURCH (C OF E) PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29: 11

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you - 'Tin a Week' Project a Huge Success!

Thank you so much to everyone who contributed to our 'Tin a Week' project. You all brought in a grand total of 243 items (at last count). We were all so pleased to help the children see how they could work together as a community to make a significant difference to the lives of many. I am delighted to share a letter of thanks from Love Works.

"I just wanted to say thank you to your school, children and parents for the wonderful donation of food. There was a fantastic total of 91.4kg, all of which will be used to feed people in need in the local community through our food banks. It was lovely to meet Mrs Cordey and the 4 members of the school council. They were a credit to the school. They weighed and sorted all of the food then helped us to carry it over to our stores. We also had some interesting discussions about the food, how it is used and some ideas to feed back to the school about what items we are most in need of and why. Graham and I really enjoyed our time with them and are delighted with the food we received. Later this week we will put a full news story on our website and will send you a more detailed thank you, with pictures and a breakdown of how the food has been used.

You should now have plenty of wristbands from Graham, please let us know if we can do anything else to support your love projects. Thank you to you and your wonderful school for your support and food donations, it is very appreciated."

Please do remember that as we are now partners with Love Works we are able to give food vouchers which you can use to be given up to six weeks of provisions. We know from time to time we all need help and this is on offer for anyone who is finding it difficult at the moment. Please contact the office and ask to see Miss Woods. All requests are treated confidentially. Please do use us if you need this help at the moment or simply bare this in mind should the need arise in the future.

Easter

On Tuesday we celebrated Easter at Christ Church and it was wonderful to see our children, staff and many of our parents gathered at such a special time. Many thanks to all those involved who made it such a wonderful service. As part of the service the KS1 Faith Team presented a selection of the decorated 'Silver Saver' Lent boxes to the altar, which will be donated for hospital equipment at St. Patricks Mission in Zimbabwe. The KS2 Faith Team read Bible readings from Holy week and said prayers. Well done to everyone,

Thank you to all those who brought in their Easter Gardens to school on Wednesday, these will be taken later today to St Peter & St Pauls Church for Easter. All the gardens look wonderful and have been such a high standard this year. It was the Faith Teams job to judge them yesterday and congratulations to the winners of each class. Yr R: Grace, Yr 1: Chloe, Yr 2: Evie, Yr 3: Owen, Yr 4: William & Annabelle, Yr 5: Bobi, Yr 6: Lola & Lucy E

Love Project – Year 2

Our class Love Projects have continued with Year 2 hosting the South Nutfield Pre School children and their key workers. The children decided to invite their young neighbours to give them a taste of life at Nutfield Church School. They worked really hard to design a carousel of activities and those with siblings at the pre-school gave their opinions about which activities would best suit the 3 and 4 years olds. Year 2 helped to 'man the café', ensure health and safety standards on the obstacle course were maintained and read stories. The pre-school children had a fantastic time and Year 2 loved hosting them.

PTFA

A huge thank you to the PTFA for putting on our extra film night. This term the children saw Paddington 2 on its release date which added to the excitement. It was lovely to see so many children at the event. I'm sure you will join with me to say a big thank you to the PTFA angels and the rest of the PTFA volunteers from the classes who helped out. If you would like to come along and help out at any of the events please do come along or if you would like to find out more contact Louise or Sophie our PTFA chairs or speak to your class Angel. Angels are key communicators for all things fundraising but remember you are all automatically part of our PTFA and you are always welcome to come along and help out! The latest cinema night raised a wonderful £543.79 whilst our Spelling Bee raised an impressive £1412.65. The PTFA met last week to talk about which school projects they will be supporting and to discuss the Nutfield Church Primary School Summer Garden Party. It's going to be a fabulous event. Do put it in your diaries and come along. Its always a great day!

Spelling Bee Results!

This year's Spelling Bee was another success! At last count we have raised an amazing £1412.65. I am happy to say that Year 4 were the class who had the best overall results! This year, we decided that all children who got all of their spellings right (100%) would receive a spelling bee pencil. All children took part including Reception, and everyone who participated received a Spelling Bee sticker and teachers were asked to give team points at their discretion. As this is a fundraising event, prizes of gold, silver and bronze certificates were awarded to the children and were handed out on the last day of term. Winners were Gold – Alfie (Yr 1) Silver - Charlotte (Yr 2) Bronze - Orla (Yr 1) Owen (Yr 3)

Easter Art Competition

Huge congratulations to all the children who entered our Easter Art Competition. The entries were really impressive and were so hard to judge! All the children who entered won 5 team points and a Golden Sticker of Greatness. The Art Team judges (Miss Cook, Miss Mitchell and Miss Johnston) were so hard pressed to find just one winner that they awarded class winners who were each given a chocolate Easter bunny and our overall winner won a large Easter Egg. All the prizes were kindly donated by the Link and presented by our special VIP judge Mrs Vennard, who helps at the Link.

The overall winner was Sophie (Y6). Her picture will be featured on the Easter edition of the Link which will be on sale in shops and local post offices soon! Congratulations Sophie (Y6)

Class winners were in YR: Darcie, Y1: Alfie, Y2: Hannah, Y3: Lyra, Y4: Albie, Y5: Claudia, Y6: Lottie

African Activities

As we had to cancel our African Activities day on the 2nd March owing to the school being closed due to bad weather, we have now managed to re-book for Monday 4th June. The format of the day will be the same with all the children taking part in Storytelling through drumming, dance and singing. We had previously asked for a £2 contribution towards this event. We would like to thank those parents who have already sent in their contribution which we will keep hold of until the new date. If you have not yet sent in your contribution please forward it to the school office in a named sealed envelope. We are looking forward to a very exciting and noisy day.

Parent Questionnaire 2017/18 and our Section 48 Church School Inspection

We will soon be inspected for our Section 48 (church school inspection) which we are expecting any time after Easter. This means that our last few questions which relate to church schools and our Christian values will be used as part of the inspector's judgment. I would greatly appreciate your responses on these questions in particular. Please do also add any comments or share stories you have for me to pass on to the inspector when he/she visits us.

In terms of your comments last year, we are under way with several plans..

Front Fences

Our plan is to update our front fences. As part of this I have asked for quotes for a widening of our current access gate. This will mean that there will be better flow in and out of the playground for you all. We haven't gone with two gates (one out one in as some suggested as there were some concerns about the increased possibilities of keeping everyone safe. We will also be able to get rid of the chicken wire fencing and update the look and aesthetic of the front of the school. We will of course be speaking with our neighbours about this work.

Evening Workshops

We have continued our evening workshops as suggested and have added in two new workshops. Miss Johnston led the Phonics workshops for Year R Parents and Mrs Cordey led a KS2 grammar workshop. In addition, Mrs Fine ran two internet safety workshops. Our Phonics, KS1 and KS2 SATS ran again for the second and third years respectively.

Dates

Our 'two week' rule continues where we advise parents of events no later than two weeks ahead. However our normal practice of giving dates a term in advance has also continued. We have additionally given parents INSET dates well ahead of time to allow for holiday and family planning. We currently have the INSETS for 18/19 on the website. We have also reiterated events on the teachers' weekly homework letters.

Dress up days

We had a significant amount of feedback about dress up days and so planned these ahead and published them for you so parents could be as prepared as possible for events.

School meals – Full Time

School meals next half term remain at £2.25 per day. The cost is £11.25 or if you would like to pay to the May half term, the total cost will be £65.25. Payments can be made by cash or cheque made payable to Surrey County Council. Please forward your payment to the office in a named, sealed envelope via your child's class or you can post the payment in the secure locked letter box adjacent to the front entrance. We do encourage parents to make use of our online payment system which is available for school meals. If you would like details of how to use this facility, please contact Mrs. Bowen at the school office.

Online payments – School Fund

We have now set up our system for the School Fund that allows parents/carers to pay online for residential visits/swimming/school trips. If you are already using Tucasi online payments to pay for school meals you can use the same login details but if you would like to use this way of making payments into the School Fund please contact the school office for details.

Nutfield Village Road Races - Monday 2nd April 2018 – A message from the committee

Are you a good runner? Do you like to run in races? Would you like the chance to win a trophy and a Creme 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 timed mile walk. All children in school Years 3 to 8 that currently attend Nutfield Church School or a village club/organisation are invited to take part. 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 arrive 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, The Station Pub or online at <http://www.nutfieldlink.co.uk/roadrace>.

Looking forward to seeing lots of you there!

Do take a look at the summer term dates. If you need any help or need something changed do speak to your class teacher, catch me in the playground or drop a note or email anytime.

The staff team and I would like to wish you all an enjoyable Easter holiday together with your families.

Imogen Woods (Headteacher)

DIARY DATES

30 th March – 15 th April	EASTER HOLIDAYS
Monday 23 rd April	St. George's Day team – dress in red
Tuesday 24 th April	Yr 3 & 4 Tag Rugby Festival (3.30 – 5.30pm)
Monday 30 th April	After School Clubs start this week
Wednesday 2 nd May	Yr 4 visit to Southwark Cathedral (Lent Thanksgiving Service)
Friday 4 th May	PTFA Cake Sale (Yr 6)
Monday 7 th May	BANK HOLIDAY (School closed)
Wednesday 9 th May	PTFA Bags2school (9am)
Wednesday 9 th May	Yr 1 class – Class Collective Worship (9.00am) – Year 1 parents welcome
Thursday 10 th May	Cricket Day with coaches from SNCC
Thursday 10 th May	Yr 5 & 6 Rounders – Oxted school (3.30 – 5.30pm)
w/c Monday 14 th May	SATs week
Friday 18 th May	Dress up Day – wear your own trainers (bring a bottle for the PTFA Summer Garden Party)
w/c Monday 21 st May	RE Week – 'Life in all its Fullness' (John 10:10)
w/c Monday 21 st May	Tennis Week with coaches from Boom Tennis
Monday 21 st May	Yr 3 & 4 Rounders Tournament – Oxted school (3.30 – 5pm)
Tuesday 22 nd May	Springs Dance Company (Yr 3-6)
Monday 28 th May – Friday 1 st June	HALF TERM
Monday 4 th June	African Activities day
Wednesday 6 th June	Yr 6 Tandridge Schools' Cricket Tournament (3.30-5.30pm)
Wednesday 6 th June	Yr 5 Girls – Tandridge Schools' Cricket Tournament (3.30-5.30pm)
Friday 8 th June	Dress up Day – wear your own trousers (bring sweets for the PTFA Summer Garden Party)
Friday 8 th June	School Teams' Athletics Competition
Friday 8 th June	PTFA Cake Sale (Yr R)
Tuesday 12 th June	School Photographer – Class groups and Yr 6 Leavers
Wednesday 13 th June	Yr 3 – 6 Tandridge Schools' District Sports – Oxted school (3.30 – 5.30pm)
Saturday 16 th June	PTFA Summer Fair (12 – 3pm)
Wednesday 20 th June	Yr R class – Class Collective Worship (9.00am) – Year R parents welcome
Wednesday 20 th June	Yr 6 visit to Southwark Cathedral (Leavers' service)
Thursday 21 st June	Yr 1 & 2 Amberley Working Museum

Monday 25 th June	Yr 5 Boys Tandridge Schools' Cricket Tournament
Tuesday 26 th June	Yr 6 – Sparkfish Transition Day Workshop (1.15 – 3pm)
Thursday 28 th June	Sports Day
Friday 29 th June	Welcome to Foundation Stage meeting No 1 - new parents – curriculum meeting (2 – 3pm)
Monday 2 nd July	Last week of after school clubs
Tuesday 3 rd July	Yr 6 – Secondary School Induction Day
Thursday 5 th July	Reserve Sports Day
Friday 6 th July	Welcome to School meeting No.2 – new parents (2 – 3pm)
Thursday 5 th July	Yr 3-6 Tandridge Schools' District Sports (Field events) – Lingfield 3.30 – 5.30pm)
Monday 9 th July	KS 2 Production – Dress Rehearsal (2 – 3pm)
Tuesday 10 th July	KS 2 Production (6 – 7pm)
Wednesday 11 th July	KS 2 Production (6 – 7pm)
Thursday 12 th July	Open Evening (3.15 – 17.45pm)
Friday 13 th July	Yr 6 – Pilgrimage around village
Monday 16 th July	Music Concert (6 – 7pm)
Tuesday 17 th July	Leavers' Service – Christ Church (9.30am)
Wednesday 18 th July	Art Exhibition (1.15 – 17.45pm)
Thursday 19 th July	Yr 6 Leavers' Party
Friday 20 th July	Last day of term
Monday 23 rd July 2018	INSET DAY
INSET Days 2018/19	
Tuesday 4 th September 2018	
Thursday 3 rd January 2019	
Friday 4 th January 2019	
Monday 3 rd June 2019	
Tuesday 4 th June 2019	

Please be reminded that all the calendar dates are on the school website for your information and can be found on the home page under Forthcoming Events. Parents can click on Calendar for dates and future events.