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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 R Phonics Evening

Phonics plays an important role in teaching children to decode words and we are offering a chance for our Year R Parents to find out more about how we teach Phonics throughout the year in Reception class. On Thursday 8th November, at 7:00pm, Miss Johnston will talk to parents about the Phonics learning, key terminology, pronunciation and some of the methods we use in school which you may like to use at home when reading with your child. Parents have responded very positively to these meetings in the past and we do encourage you to come along. While the meeting is aimed at the Reception curriculum, it is open to all parents who may be interested in finding out more about Phonics. There will be a Phonics meeting specifically covering the Year 1 Phonics curriculum on Thursday 24th January 2019, which again, is open to all parents.

Headteacher's Tour

If you have a child who is due to start primary school in September 2019, it is time to apply for their place! We are offering tours of Nutfield Church Primary School:

Friday 2nd November at 9:15 – 10:15am

Friday 2nd November at 2:15 – 3:15 pm

There is no need to make an appointment, just come along! Mrs Benjamin and I look forward to welcoming you and will be on hand to answer any questions you may have.

PTFA News

Thank you to the parents who helped at the PTFA cinema night last Monday. A very big thank you for the extra helpers, clearer uppers, food distributors and register checkers! It was lovely to see so many happy children going off with their parents at the end of the film. I am pleased to let you know that our treasurer Maxine has confirmed that to date, the event has raised an enormous £630.03! Thank you! Our next PTFA meeting is this evening, Thursday 18th October at the Station Pub at 8:00pm. The team will be organising roles for Christmas. If you are willing to help at our Christmas Event, on a stall, setting up or clearing away, this would be a good meeting to attend!

Year 4 Residential – Beaulieu

Our Year 4 children had a wonderful time last week at Beaulieu and came back to school full of tales of their experiences and achievements. They were brilliantly behaved throughout the residential and we are very proud of them.

Governors' Quiz

Our Governors' Quiz night will be held this year on Friday 16th November. Do come along! You can book a whole table or if you are coming alone, just contact the office who will make sure you join an existing table or will help connect you with other parents in the school.

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 or famine with 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 Friday 16th November. For more information about how to fill a shoe box and to see the impact that a simple shoebox gift, packed and sent with love, has on a child please visit www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk.

Dress Up Days

Each year, the school acknowledges special days in our calendar with a 'Dress Up' day. Our first 'Dress Up' day this year will be on Friday 30th November, when all children in St Andrew's Team can come to school wearing a blue T-shirt/top. There will also be a Christmas Mufti Day the following Friday, 7th December, where children are encouraged to wear Christmassy clothes in exchange for bringing in sweets for the PTFA Christmas Event. For a full list of 'Dress Up' days for this academic year, please see the bottom of the newsletter.

ParentMail – Forms

We are soon launching Online Forms within ParentMail. This will enable us to create forms asking for permission requests or surveys from parents and will allow you to reply within minutes. This will reduce the amount of paper copies being sent out. You can also download the free ParentMail App for Android and iOS which will mean you can access school communications on your mobile phone. We propose to use this system for the KS1 Christmas Nativity. This year, as usual, there will be a full 'Dress Rehearsal', which we encourage parents with pre-school age children to attend, and two other performances. Parents will be able to choose the day(s) and how many seats they need. We will be offering a maximum of 4 seats per family.

Parents' Evening

Please note Parents' Evenings will be taking place on Tuesday 27th, Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th November. The booking system, which is available through ParentMail, will open at the start of next half term. Watch this space for further information!

School Meals

Today we will be sending home a copy of the new menu from Surrey Commercial Services for the Autumn/Winter 2018/2019. We hope those children who have school meals will enjoy the options that are being offered. If your child currently has packed lunches but would like to change to school meals, please contact the school office in writing and we will be able to change their choice following the half term. The cost for the 2nd half of the Autumn term remains at £2.30 per day or £11.50 per week. The meals must be paid for in advance. You can pay weekly or for the half term which is £87.40. You can pay by cash or cheque to Surrey County Council. If you would like details of how to pay online please contact the school office for an access letter which gives details of how to set up an online account for your child.

Imogen Woods - Headteacher

DIARY DATES

Monday 22 nd – Friday 26 th October 2018	HALF TERM
Friday 2 nd November 2018	Headteacher's Tours (Admission for Reception Class 2019) 9.15 – 10.15am 2.15 – 3.15 pm
Friday 2 nd November 2018	Year 2 Cake Sale
Thursday 8 th November 2018	Phonics in Reception Meeting for parents 7:00 – 8:00pm
Monday 12 th November 2018	School Photographer – Families and Individual
Friday 16 th November 2018	Governors' Quiz Night 7:30 – 9pm
Monday 19 th November 2018	Yr 5/6 Girls Football (Oxted School) 4 – 6pm
Friday 23 rd November 2018	Year 3 Cake Sale
Tuesday 27 th November 2018	Yr 2 Christmas Journey (Redhill Methodist Church)
Tuesday 27 th November 2018	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6pm
Wednesday 28 th November 2018	Flu Vaccination programme (Years R,1,2,3,4,5)
Wednesday 28 th November 2018	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6pm
Thursday 29 th November 2018	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6pm
Friday 30 th November 2018	Dress Up Day – St. Andrew's day Team - Dress in blue T-shirt /top
Monday 3 rd - Friday 7 th December 2018	Last week of After school clubs
Thursday 6 th December 2018	YR 3/4 Handball Festival (Oxted School) 4 – 6pm
Friday 7 th December 2018	PTFA Christmas Mufti (wear Christmas colours and bring a bag of sweets for Christmas Event)
Tuesday 11 th December 2018	Dress Rehearsal for Nativity play 2 – 3pm
Wednesday 12 th December 2018	Nativity play 2 – 3pm
Thursday 13 th December 2018	Nativity play 2 – 3 pm
Friday 14 th December 2018	Christmas Service (Christ Church) 1.30 – 2.30 pm
Monday 17 th December 2018`	PTFA Christmas Event 3.30 – 6pm
Tuesday 18 th December 2018	School Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 19th December 2018	Last day of Term
Friday 5 th April 2019	Easter Service (Christ Church) 1.30 – 2.30 pm

INSET Days 2018/19Tuesday 4th September 2018Thursday 3rd January 2019Friday 4th January 2019Monday 3rd June 2019Tuesday 4th June 2019**Dress Up Days 2018/19**Friday 30th November 2018: St Andrew's Team wear a blue T-shirt/topFriday 7th December 2018: Christmas Mufti (bring sweets for the PTFA Christmas event)Friday 1st March 2019: St David's Team wear a yellow T-shirt/topThursday 7th March 2019: World Book Day (dress as your favourite book character)Monday 18th March 2019: St Patrick's Team wear a green T-shirt/topTuesday 23rd April 2019: St George's Team wear a red T-shirt/topFriday 3rd May 2019: Summer Mufti (bring a bottle for the PTFA Summer Fayre)Friday 7th June 2019: Wear trainers (bring sweets for the PTFA Tombola)