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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,

Harvest

On Thursday 7th October the school joined together with the community to celebrate Harvest. We were delighted to once again be able to hold our Harvest Service at Christ Church. It was wonderful that so many parents were also able to join us in our worship, especially many of our new Reception parents. The prayers were led by the Faith Team, who confidently spoke in front of a packed congregation. We would like to say a special thank you to Mrs Black, who accompanied us on the piano and of course all the team at Christ Church who helped with the smooth running of the service. We were overwhelmed with the generosity of the donations made to Open Hands Reigate, which is one of our 'Love Projects' for the Autumn term. Open Hands Reigate is a foodbank which is explicitly Christian but supports all those who are in need of its services. Thank you to you all, your contributions will make a big difference to those in need in our community.

Stripey Stork

The Stripey Stork is a charity based in Reigate which supports vulnerable parents and children and those in need. In addition to this they are also currently supporting a large number of refugee families both in Surrey and in the wider community. At the moment, Stripey Stork are desperately in need of children's coats in all ages up to 7 years. If you have any coats in this age range which are in good, clean condition and are no longer needed, please could you bring them into school and we will pass them on to Stripey Stork. Many thanks in advance for your support.

Nutfield Church Primary School Market Stall

Our four hens have now been regularly been laying eggs since August. Year 5, who look after the chickens on a daily basis with Year 1, have been tasked with the job of collecting the eggs. Up until the now the eggs have just been enjoyed by members of staff and they are absolutely delicious! Beginning after half term on a Monday and Thursday there will be a 'Market Stall' set up in the playground with our eggs. All eggs have been date stamped and have come straight from our hens. We just kindly ask if you could provide your own egg box to transport the eggs home and for a small donation in our honesty box.

Farm Training for Volunteers

On Thursday 4th November at 3.15 there will be a farm training session, led by Mrs Brooks for any new volunteers who wish to be involved with the care of the chickens and Peter Rabbit over the weekends and holidays. We welcome new parents and carers and would encourage you to sign up. Please email the office if you are interested in volunteering and would like to attend this training session.

Secondary School Application Deadline reminder

This is a reminder for those parents and carers of Year 6 children that the closing date for making your application for a secondary school place is the 31st October 2021. However as this is during the half term, Surrey County Council recommend that all applications are in by Friday 22nd October 2021. You can submit your application online by going to www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions. Any applications received after the closing date will be considered as late applications unless there are extenuating circumstances for them to be classed as 'late for good reason'.

After-School Clubs

Although internal clubs won't start until January on the whole, three are starting up now! Mrs Cox will be running her infamous booster classes for Y6 (a letter has been sent home to Year 6 parents and carers). Mrs Matthews will be leading Eco Club and Mrs Cordey will be restarting Choir. You can read more about Eco Club and Choir below. We are hoping to add more clubs over the year and would be happy to hear from any parents or carers who would like to lead a club themselves. Internal clubs are free and led by teachers. From time to time you may be asked to make a contribution to small items such as seeds/equipment, etc.

Eco Club

After half term, I am excited to be running an Eco Club every Wednesday 3.15pm-4.15pm. Activities will include artwork using recycled materials, designing anti-litter posters, doing an outside scavenger hunt, planting bulbs, environmental projects etc. It will be open to children from Year 1 up to Year 6 but there will be a limit of 15 places. If your child already attends Ark on a Wednesday, they can join the club and then I will drop them back into the Ark after the club ends. They will need some wellie boots please. Please sign up through the school office on info@nutfield.surrey.sch.uk. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Mrs Matthews

Choir

After half term, I will be starting a Choir Club every Tuesday from 3.15pm-4.15pm. It will be open to children from Year 2 up to Year 6. I am delighted to tell you that Nutfield Church (C of E) Primary School will be taking part in The Young Voices Concert. This event will be held in the O2 Arena in London in 2022. I will be coaching the choir, so they are ready to perform. If your child already attends Ark on a Thursday, they can join the club and they will be dropped back into the Ark afterwards. Please sign up through the school office on info@nutfield.surrey.sch.uk.

Mrs Cordey

School Meals

Thank you to all those Parents and Carers who made their payments promptly for the last half term. It really does save the office staff time if you pay on a Monday morning if paying weekly or by paying for the half term. If you do not have an online account set up for your child please contact the school office on info@nutfield.surrey.sch.uk and they will send you details of how to set an account up. The cost remains at £12.25 per full week or if paying for the 2nd half of the autumn term, the total is £83.30. We look forward to receiving your payments. School Office

Twelve 15 – Special Diets –Action required by parents of children with special diets

You may be aware that 'Natasha's Law' became legislation on 1 October 2021. This new law brings greater transparency about what people are buying and eating and lays down new standards for food companies. This affects all food industries and of course our very own Twelve15. Twelve 15 cater our lunches and have asked that if your child is currently having a special diet at school, you now make a new application to them online.

How to apply to Twelve 15

We cater for 14 recognised food allergens: celery, crustaceans, dairy, egg, fish, gluten, lupin, molluscs, mustard, nut, peanut, sesame, soya, sulphites. We also support vegetarian, vegan, pork, beef free diets. If your child requires any of these diets and would like a school meal, you need to complete our online application.

Please note, that from 01 November 2021 we will be only able to serve special diet meals to those pupils whose application for special diet is processed fully and accepted. The application is super easy. Go to the Twelve 15 website, All about Food, Allergens and Special diets. Fill out the form out and click Submit.

If you have selected a Medically Prescribed Diet (excluding nut) you will be sent a form by a member of Team Twelve15 which you will need to print and get signed by a medical professional.

Nativity

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are now hard at work learning songs and lines ready for their performance of 'The Inn Crowd', our Christmas Nativity. Given the continuing situation regarding Covid-19, we will be offering four performances which will take place on Thursday 9th (dress rehearsal), Friday 10th, Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th December 2021 at 2pm. Please note that this is a change to the previously advertised dates. Parents and Carers are most welcome to come along and performances will be held in the school hall. Currently, we will be limiting the number of tickets to two per family. The main performances are for adults only. The dress rehearsal, which takes place on Thursday 9th December at 2pm, is for the whole school, VIPs and our local Pre School to attend. If you are unable to attend the three main performances or need to attend with babies or toddlers, and would like to attend the dress rehearsal, please contact the school office. A ParentMail will be sent out after half term, advising you how to apply for tickets for the main performances.

Year 2 – the Christmas Journey

Year 2 have been invited to take part again in the Christmas Journey which is run by Sparkfish. This will take place on Monday 22nd November 2021 at 1.45pm and they will be attending Redhill Methodist Church. Transport is being provided by Sparkfish using a local approved and checked Coach Company.

The Christmas Journey is an interactive re-telling of the Christmas story for Year 2 pupils. In this re-telling of the Christmas story children go on an interactive journey through the Christmas story, moving from tent to tent (indoors). Specifically designed for Year 2 pupils, the Christmas Journey provides an opportunity to 'live' the story, ask questions and play an interactive role. Classes visit one at a time – they will take part in the journey as a class group and then complete a Christmas craft activity.

The Christmas Journey explores why Christmas is important to Christians. It links with a KS1 R.E. unit studied by many schools:

- A storyteller sets the scene, and then wraps up at the end, encouraging the children to think about the Christian meaning of Christmas.
- Guides help the children move around the tents and provide an opportunity for questions and discussion.
- Mary invites the children into her kitchen to bake bread, when the angel Gabriel appears to tell her that she will give birth to a baby. She is to call him Jesus.
- The children become shepherds to go to the hills and look for a bright star – the sign of a king's birth and representative of Jesus as the light of the world.
- In the stable, they meet animals who tell them about the birth of baby Jesus.
- As wise men, the children discuss the meaning of their gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh.
- The craft activity is another opportunity for interaction and discussion as the children make their own take-home keepsake about the Christmas story.

Primary Times

Many of you in KS2 will remember Primary Times. If any of you would like to see the October issue, please click on the link <https://issuu.com/pwmedia/docs/ptsoc21lr>

Swimming

Well done to Y3 who have all been swimming over the past 2 weeks. The 'blocked swimming approach' whereby swimming happened every day in a 2 week block helped us make sure we secured the curriculum requirements for PE and also have fun! The children did ever so well given that they were only in the Autumn Term of Year 3. Some of them were very tired at the end of the first week; I'm pleased to report that they all bounced back after the weekend and finished the week beautifully! It was very kind of the parents and carers who offered to help too. Thank you to the whole class for being so supportive in general! We do hope that swimming in Year 3 is followed up as planned, by lots of fun activities in the water in Year 5!

Bags 2 School – A message from PTFA Chairs

This is just a reminder that your child came home with a Bag 2 School leaflet yesterday. This is a collection for recycled clothes and other items, which are then donated to a company who weigh them. This in turn raises money for the PTFA. Last time we did this, we raised an amazing £168!!! Please return your bags (remember that this year they will not be supplying the bags, you can use your own) on Thursday 4th November at your morning drop off, where you will be directed by a volunteer. Someone will be there to help. Please do not return before this date as there is no storage space in school for the bags. Please also note that you cannot put school uniform in the bags. If you look at the Bag 2 School website, you will find a list of accepted items, or follow the link here:

<https://bag2school.com/what-we-collect>

Child Nasal Flu Letter

Attached to this newsletter is the latest information regarding the Child Nasal Flu Programme for this Autumn. Please read this carefully for the instructions on how to register your child to receive this. The program this year requires 'e-consent'. All applications must be made through the online portal. The school cannot take requests for your child to take part in the scheme. The nasal flu programme is open to the whole school this year and is taking place during the school day on Wednesday 4th November 2021.

Covid-19 Update

As many of you are now aware there have been significant changes in Government guidelines regarding self-isolation and contact tracing. We have been asked to share the attached documents. We hope you find these helpful. If you are unsure about anything, please speak to your child's class teacher or myself. We would be happy to answer any questions or support you in any decisions you are making.

Prayers

You may have noticed Mylo's lovey prayer at the end of our last newsletter. I'm sure you enjoyed it as much as I did! If your child/children would like to submit a prayer to us we would love to add them to my newsletter too. Simply email your clip/voice note to info@nutfield.surrey.sch.uk. Information about our new 'Pop up Prayer Spaces' will be in our next newsletter.

I do hope you all have a lovely holiday and will look forward to seeing you on Monday 1st November 2021.

Imogen Woods
Headteacher

DIARY DATES

Bank Holiday in lieu of Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday celebrated on 3 rd June 2022	Friday 22nd October 2021
Nasal flu Vaccination – whole school	Wednesday 3 rd November 2021
Bags 2 School	Thursday 4 th November 2021
Open morning New Year R Parents	Thursday 4 th November 2021 9.45am – 10.45am
PTFA Year 2 Cake Sale	Friday 5 th November 2021 3.15pm
Year 1 Parent tour	Wednesday 10 th November 2021 9.4am – 10.45am
School Photographer	Monday 15 th November 2021
Year 6 Heights & Weights Screening	Wednesday 17 th November 2021
Open morning New Year R Parents	Wednesday 17 th November 2021 10.00am – 11.00am
Year 2 Christmas Journey	Monday 22 nd November 2021 1.45pm - 2.45pm
Year 1 – Phonics Meeting	Wednesday 24 th November 2021 3.30pm – 4.30pm
Year 2 – SATS Meeting	Wednesday 24 th November 2021 6.00pm-7.00pm PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME
PTFA Year 3 Cake Sale	Thursday 25 th November 2021 3.15pm
Open morning New Year R Parents	Thursday 25 th November 2021 9.45am – 10.45am
INSET DAY	Friday 26th November 2021
St. Andrew's Day	Tuesday 30 th November 2021 – blue shirt
Parents' and Carers' Evenings	Tuesday 30 th November 2021 – 3.30pm-6.00pm
Parents' and Carers' Evenings	Wednesday 1 st December 2021 – 3.30pm-6.00pm
Parents' and Carers' Evenings	Thursday 2 nd December 2021 – 3.30pm-6.00pm
Parents' and Carers' Evenings	Friday 3 rd December 2021 – 3.30pm – 5.30pm
PTFA Christmas Mufti in exchange for sweets for the Christmas Fair	Friday 3 rd December 2021
PTFA Christmas Fair	Tuesday 7 th December 2021
Nativity Dress Rehearsal – Guests/Whole school	Thursday 9 th December 2021 – 2.00pm
Nativity Play	Friday 10 th December 2021 – 2.00pm
Nativity Play	Monday 13 th December 2021 – 2.00pm
Nativity Play	Tuesday 14 th December 2021 – 2.00pm
Christmas Lunch	Wednesday 15 th December 2021
Christmas Service	Thursday 16 th December 2021

INSET DAYS 2021/22	
Wednesday 1 st September 2021	
Friday 26 th November 2021	
Tuesday 19 th April 2022	
Monday 6 th June 2022	
Friday 1 st July 2022	
Save the Dates 2021/2022	
Thursday 2 nd June – Saturday 4 th June 2022	Village Celebration – VE day (School Grounds)
OPEN MORNINGS FOR NEW YEAR R PARENTS SEPTEMBER 2022	
Thursday 4 th November 2021	9.45am – 10.45am
Wednesday 17 th November 2021	10.00am – 11.00am
Thursday 25 th November 2021	9.45am – 10.45am