



Our vision – to inspire and celebrate learning, achievement, faith & fun!

NEWSLETTER 147

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Dear Parents and Friends,

Cross-country

North Nibley School sent their biggest ever team to the first cross-country race of the season at KLB on Saturday. Sophie decided to encourage everybody at the start of the race. Oliver wrote "In the boy's race there were 105 of us running and we all did very well." Freddie came 2nd in that group. He said "It was really fun because we all had a great time."



Cycling

Well done to all our Year 6 cyclists, who have completed a safe cycling course with the school this week. I always say, however, that the certificate alone won't keep you safe. Keep your eyes and ears open, a helmet on your head and lights on your bike for when you need them!

Illness

We have unfortunately fallen under the grip of some nasty tummy bugs, and have been sending children home each day as they 'go under'. Please be especially vigilant and consider carefully the appropriateness of school if a child begins to complain of feeling unwell. We have taken to disinfecting door handles and keyboards etc at school, and recommend that you do the same at home. We are strictly enforcing our 48 hours 'clear' (sickness or diarrhoea) before a return to school, in an effort to keep the rest of us healthy. Thank you.

Uniform approach

We have been informed that a warehouse fire has caused delays in the supply line for the ordering of new school uniform. You are asked to please bear with us if these delays affect your order.

Near misses

I have been advised by a concerned parent that the movement of cars when parking around the 'Church triangle' has, more than once, resulted in a near miss. Please take great care and allow for non-school traffic to safely navigate the junction.

It's beginning to look a lot like...

Christmas! FONNS have requested the following support for the Christmas fayre (See the diary dates below).

TEDDY TOMBOLA - any unwanted teddies/cuddly toys

ADULT TOMBOLA - any of those unwanted birthday/Christmas gifts

WATER & WINE - any unwanted FULL bottles of wine and of course any of those unwanted empties (screw top please)

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS - any goodies you can donate
A collection box is in the school foyer and all donations are being collected at the morning and evening pick-ups. We would be very grateful for any donations and a big thank you to all those who have donated already!
THANK-YOU!

Our Christian Value - Friendship

"Sometimes me think, 'What is friend?' Then me say,
'Friend is someone to share the last cookie with.'
-Cookie Monster (as he speaks it!)"

Year 7 'feedback' meeting

I am writing to all our Year 7s to invite them to our annual 'mice pie & feedback' meeting on 9th December from 'as soon as you can get here' to 5:00.

Maths Passports - UPDATE

We have been loading ideas and resources onto the Maths Passport pages on our website. You can find the "Departure Lounge" by following the link to Maths Passports on the "Learning" tab of the main menu. This area is a work in progress, but everyone should be able to find something of use. The children should know the passport on which they are working!

Emergency Closure We have been preparing for the publication of our 'emergency closure' telephone tree – a system for cascading the closure news from parent to parent, in order to spread the message quickly. The overwhelming majority of parents have already given permission for their phone number to be circulated for this purpose. Please contact the school office as a priority if you wish to revoke this permission.

Should it be necessary, as well as our 'telephone tree' for confirming closure, the local authority maintains a site for publicising closures - <http://www.glosclosedschools.co.uk/> and a Twitter account - Glos Closed Schools @Glos_schools. There is a link to this site from our own website, but please be aware that excessively heavy traffic on our own site does tend to result in a very slow service. The County site is the better site to check. Why not 'favourite' it now?

Lost!

3 silver keys on a green fob. If found please take to the office.

New readers

Welcome to our 'New readers' – those who have signed up at various open days and school tours. I do hope I have your email addresses correct. If you know of someone who was expecting newsletters by email, and it has not happened yet, please ask them to contact me using newsletter@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk

Country Dancing

Mrs Ciotti has kindly agreed to prepare and enter a Country Dance team to the festival in March next year. She is hopeful additional parents will come forward to support a Country Dancing club in the Spring term. Please ask Mrs Ciotti or the school for further details.

Spring Term Clubs

Can those who wish to support the school with clubs in the Spring Term let me know as soon as possible so that 'the club menu' can be produced in time for an early start next year? Thank you.

Class 1 and 2 Nativity – Prickly Hay!

We have made the following arrangements for sharing this seasonal treat with the community.

FRIDAY 4th December – Start time 10:00 a.m. (visitors please arrive at 9:45 a.m.) This is the dress rehearsal and suitable for the children from Pre-School and Nursery settings, for those with younger children and babies, and for those who are unable to make any of the subsequent performances if exceptional circumstances apply (please see Mr Batchelor or the class teachers).

MONDAY 7th December (in school time). This performance is for the children in our school only. Knowing this, there should be no need to bring 'North Nibley' children to the Tuesday evening performance.

TUESDAY 8th December – Start time 6:00p.m. (Actors need to be here at 5:15 p.m.) This performance is for adults only and children 7 years of age or older IF THEY HAVE NOT ALREADY SEEN IT. It is our expectation that all Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children attend and perform. This has been highly successful in the past.

WEDNESDAY 9th December - Start time 2:00 p.m. (visitors please arrive at 1:45 p.m.) This is for adults and any children, including younger children, who have not yet seen the Nativity.

Diary Dates Our online diary can be found at http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/?page_id=267

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| 1 st and 2 nd Dec | Last instrument lessons | | |
| Thursday 3 rd Dec | Netball at KLB | | |
| Friday 4 th Dec | Classes 1 & 2 Christmas Nativity dress rehearsal. Details above. | | |
| Saturday 5 th Dec | Cross-Country at KLB, from 9:30 please (also 16 th January and 6 th February) St Martin's Church Christmas Bazaar, 2 p.m., Village Hall | | |
| Monday 7 th Dec | Year 3 to KLB (Tyndale Cluster Design Technology Day) Serving the community 'Monday Lunch' for some Year 6s. | | |
| Tuesday 8 th Dec | Classes 1 & 2 Christmas Nativity, 6:00 p.m. Details above. | | |
| Wednesday 9 th Dec | Classes 1 & 2 Christmas Nativity, 2:00 p.m. Details above. Year 7 mince pie and feedback meeting, 3:15 ish to 5:00 | | |
| Thursday 10 th Dec | Whole School visit to the Cheltenham Everyman for 'Cinderella' – a Christmas gift from FONNS | | |
| Friday 11 th Dec | FONNS Christmas Fayre 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. | | |
| Monday 14 th Dec | Christmas Carols at St. Martins 6:30 p.m. | | |
| Wednesday 16 th Dec | Athletics at Wycliffe Sports Hall ALSO Christmas Lunch | | |
| Thursday 17 th Dec | School Christmas Party | | |
| Friday 18 th Dec | Last day of Term 2 (3:15 p.m.) (First day back for pupils =Monday 4 th Jan. First swim Monday 25 th ALL Y1s & Y2s) | | |
| THIS AUTUMN | NEXT SPRING | NEXT SUMMER | NEXT AUTUMN – NEW! |
| | Term 3 04/01/16 - 12/02/16 | Term 5 11/04/16 - 27/05/16 | Term 1 05/09/2016 – 19/10/2017 |
| Term 2 02/11/15 - 18/12/15 | Term 4 23/02/16 - 24/03/16 | Term 6 06/06/16 - 20/07/16 | |

NORTH NIBLEY C OF E SCHOOL

ATHLETICS INDOOR COMPETITION-Wycliffe college- Wednesday 16th December

26/11/15

We would like to attend the School Games level 2 Athletics Indoor Competition at Wycliffe College on Wednesday 16th December.

The competition runs from 1.00 pm – 3.15pm, and we would anticipate being back at school around 3.45pm. This is school Christmas lunch day but the children should have time to eat lunch before leaving for Wycliffe. They will need to take a snack for later and their water bottles.

All children will be issued a school PE kit on the Wednesday morning.

We do require parent drivers for this event so if you have the appropriate DBS, insurance, car restraints and declaration form and can stay to help.

Please fill in the slip below.

Please fill in the slip below with your permission.

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School Games Indoor Athletics – Wycliffe College- Wednesday December 16th.

My child.....will /will not be able to compete at this event.

I can/ cannot help with transport and havespaces available.

Signedparent/carer.

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24/11/15

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