



NEWSLETTER 150

Friday 18th December 2015

Rubik's 'Professor' Cube (5x5x5) has 150 coloured faces. Mr B can complete one in 2½ hours!

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Dear Parents and Friends,

Pantomime: We had a FANTASTIC TIME (Oh yes we did!) at the Everyman Theatre on Thursday last week. Despite a little travel sickness, there and back, all the children managed to enjoy the show, with all the laughs, silliness and 'magic' that we have come to expect from the show.



George said "I liked Buttons the clown because it was funny when he was on the spinning wheel. **Our trip to the panto is made possible due to your fantastic support for FONNS fundraising over the year, so all the children want to say "THANK YOU!"**

FONNS fundraising In the FONNS lottery, the following names were recently drawn for prizes of £15 and £5 respectively – Mrs Stamatopoulos and Mr and Mrs Bargewell. If you wish to find out more about the lottery, please speak to your class rep, or ask a member of staff at the door for a contact name.

Christmas Cards This year the school has used up the supply of Christmas Cards specially printed for the school at least 7 years ago! I would be interested to receive from children photographs with a Christmas / Winter theme ready for next year.

A Spaceman Came Travelling...

On Tuesday the whole school watched the successful launch of British astronaut Tim Peake, on his journey to the International Space Station. He is our second 'official' astronaut, though 6 others born in Britain have also been in space. Who was the first official British astronaut?

It came upon a midnight clear (well around 5:15)

Why not wave to Santa, in a South Westerly direction around 5:20 on Christmas Eve? The pass takes around 6 minutes. If the sky is clear...

Joy To The World - Carol Service 2015

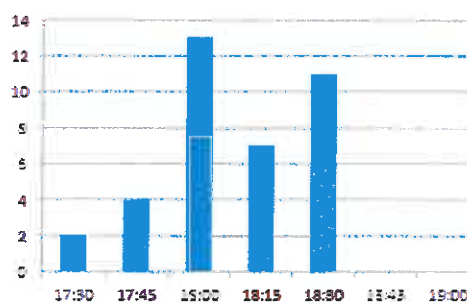


It was the turn of Classes 3 & 4 to 'WOW' parents and friends at our annual Carol Service. As well as carols, familiar and perhaps less well known, the children played violins, ocarinas, drums, bells and glockenspiels, and sang acapella. Benjamin said "The children had lots of fun in the service." The church was full and we laughed and ate chocolate and finished on time! £116.66 was raised towards the work of St. Martin's Church. Thank you.

Carol Service 2016 !

As a result of your views, next year's Carol Service will be moved (venue permitting) to a 6:00 p.m. start time.

Frequency



So bring us some figgy pudding! The school hall was packed as all the staff joined in the fun to serve 93 cooked school dinners.



We all wore our hats and enjoyed our food!

Parking It is being brought to our attention that parents are struggling for parking places, parking 'over the road' in the driveway to Nibley House, and turning vehicles around in the Pavilion car-park, despite earlier requests to refrain from doing so. I'm sorry not to have any better solutions for you, but I urge you to respect the wishes of Nibley House and drive with the upmost care and consideration, for other road users and pedestrians alike. We always need to be thinking "What if?" and preparing for the worst. Carrying on the way we are, and just "Hoping for the best" might not be good enough.

Formula Goblin Many of you will be aware that Class 4 are embarking on a sensational Design Technology / Engineering project. The IET Formula Goblin project aims to inspire children ages 9 – 11 years old to take an interest in engineering in a fun and innovative way. The project is for children to build their very own functioning and drivable electric car to race at future events against other schools. The children have written letters requesting sponsorship and the first donation to be received is an incredibly generous donation from Autocheck, the car care centre based at Taitshill.



Year 3 Design Technology Day

The children from Year 3 spent a day at KLB School working co-operatively with other children from the Tyndale Cluster on a variety of DT projects. Lucy said it was really fun, connecting all the pieces to make houses and bridges. Alfie said "We were building bridges out of paper and it was very hard. Our bridge collapsed easily!"

Nativity Update £44.37 was raised towards the work of Shelter – the charity for the homeless. Thank you.

CHRISTINGLE

The church has asked us to include the following notice. "Could you kindly give a 'plug' for the Christingle service in the newsletter? As usual it is on Christmas Eve at 6pm in St. Martin's and is a service for all ages." Collecting tubes are available from the office now!

When a friendship goes wrong - "Sometimes good things fall apart, so better things can fall together." - Marilyn Monroe.

Learning how to read / how reading is taught

The Tyndale Cluster is preparing an evening of support with a visiting speaker on the subject of reading, and you are encouraged to 'save the date' – 26th January 2016. Stone school is the likely venue. More details will follow.

DATA SHEETS A large number of data sheets have not yet been returned. This 'return' is an annual requirement and helps to keep your children safe by ensuring that all details are correct. If you still have yours at home, please return it a.s.a.p. and spare us the additional workload of having to chase each missing sheet individually!

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.

On behalf of the staff and Governors, I wish you all a very merry Christmas and a peaceful New Year. We'll see you all on MONDAY 4TH JANUARY.

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

Monday 4 th Jan 2016	First day back for pupils (and staff!)		
Weds 6 th Jan	WOODWIND LESSONS START UNLESS THERE IS A CHANGE OF PLAN! Governors Meeting 7:00 – Strategic direction		
Monday 11 th Jan	Class 3 Whole School Instrument Tuition (the first of 10 Ukulele lessons!)		
Tuesday 12 th Jan	Violins start ALSO 7:00 Governor Committee - Teaching and Learning		
Weds 13 th Jan	40 children to Birmingham 'Young Voices' performance. Very late back!		
Thursday 14 th	Governor Committees - 6:30 Finance 8:00 – Leadership and management		
Friday 15 th Jan	Sport at KLB		
Saturday 16 th Jan	Cross-Country Race – 9:30 at KLB please		
Monday 18 th Jan	STEM Works DT / Computing day for Class 4		
Weds 20 th Jan	Football, 4:00 – 6:00 at KLB		
Thursday 21 st Jan	Classes 1 & 2 to Redwood (Class 1 will need a packed lunch) ALSO Netball (To be confirmed) 7:30 FONNS meeting		
Monday 25 th Jan	Monday Lunch (Group A Serving a community lunch at the Village Hall) ALSO First swim ALL Y1s & Y2s		
THIS AUTUMN	NEXT SPRING	NEXT SUMMER	NEXT AUTUMN
	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

17/12/15

Dear Parents/ carers

I am writing to let you know there has been a case of threadworms at school.

Threadworms are a very common problem, particularly in children. It is estimated that almost half of all children below the age of 10 years get threadworms at some time, but not all have the itching symptoms.

Threadworms live in the bowel and around the bottom. They are tiny white worms about half an inch long. They are generally harmless, but cause irritation around the bottom, which can be distressing. Threadworms are easily treated with over the counter medicine from the chemist.

The most common signs are scratching around the bottom when hot or at night. This can disturb sleep and cause irritability. The worms can sometimes be seen on around the bottom and on fingernails after scratching. They can also sometimes be spotted in stools. Some children show no symptoms.

How do you get threadworms?

The eggs can be found in house dust, they stick to clothing, carpets, towels and bed linen. They can also be picked up in garden soil, unwashed salad or vegetables, or from contact with someone who already has worms. Because the eggs are so small, and so wide spread it is easy for them to be swallowed.

When swallowed, the eggs pass into the bowel where they hatch into worms. The female then lays her eggs outside the bowel at night which causes itching. Eggs can be spread to the other members of the family by direct contact, or via food, towels or bedding. There is no reason to keep a child off school once treated and the general hygiene rules below are followed. It is important to treat the whole family if one person is affected.

Keep finger nails short.

Remind children not to bite their nails or suck their fingers.

Wear PJ bottoms to prevent scratching

Bathe daily and wash around the bottom thoroughly, keep separate towels for each family member.

Change the bed linen

Make sure everyone in the family is treated at the same time

Wash hands after each visit to the lavatory, before eating and before handling food

Clean the lavatory seat, handle and all door handles

Mr P Batchelor Head Teacher

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8th December 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing on behalf of the school's Governing Body to consult with you regarding the school's Admissions Policy. This is a statutory requirement for schools and should take place every 7 years.

This year our policy has changed to incorporate two updates;

1) Summer Born Children

We have updated our policy to reflect changes in the "School Admissions Code" regarding the potential for deferring the admission of children born in the Summer Term. Our policy directs parents and carers to the Gloucestershire County Council Guidance Booklet at <http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions>.

2) Normal Admission Round

We have supplied a definition for the term 'Normal Admission Round'.

There has been no change made to the Planned Admission Number (PAN), which for September 2017 is set at 15 pupils for each relevant age group.

The proposed version of the Admissions Policy for September 2017 is available on the school's website at http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/?page_id=153 Hard copies can also be requested from the school office.

The requirement to consult every 7 years does not prevent a Governing Body considering further changes in the intervening years, and consulting on these changes if required by the School Admission Code.

If you would like to submit any comments regarding the policy, please forward them in writing to myself at North Nibley C of E Primary School, The Street, North Nibley, Nr Dursley, Gloucestershire, GL11 6DL.

All comments received by the close of consultation (25th January 2016) will be considered by the Full Governing Body on 26th January.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Batchelor,
Head Teacher

Roland Brown,
Chair of Governors

NORTH NIBLEY C. OF E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

11/12/15

Dear Parents,

We would like to show the film ' How to Train your Dragon' on Monday in Class 3
This is a PG as it contains some mild language and occasional scenes of violence. I therefore
need your permission for your child to view the film. Could you please return this on
Monday morning. Thank you

Miss A Parker

Class Teacher.

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I do/do not give permission for my *child/children to view the film 'How to train your
dragon.

- please delete as appropriate

Child's name

Signed