

NEWSLETTER 155

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You can score 155 in a single break in snooker, (starting with a free ball).

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Dear Parents and Friends,

Did you know? Miss Wright started at North Nibley as a supply teacher, covered a long term absence and never left! She has helped steer the school through a period of sustained and fundamental change, sharing her enthusiasm, skill, wisdom and care in ways which have shaped the education of all the children here. She leaves today knowing that she goes with our gratitude and our very best wishes. She will be missed.



Wildlife Quiz In the first round of this year's competition we were drawn against Cam Hopton. Dyaln said "When we did Nature Quiz we had a great time taking part and answering the questions." Rosie added "We really, really enjoyed it." Evie said "It was very exciting; we had butterflies(!) We did brilliantly." Ella explained more, saying "We had group questions, individual questions, a specimen round and a picture round. We got most questions right, getting 40, whilst the other school got 31. I really enjoyed myself. My favourite topic is animals, but I got a lot of flower questions..... luckily I got most right!"

FORGIVENESS IS OUR 'VALUE IN FOCUS'.

'I don't forgive people because I'm weak, I forgive them because I am strong enough to know people make mistakes.'

- Marilyn Monroe

Formula Goblin The car is beginning to take shape. Just one of many enrichment activities taking place outside regular school hours.



Young Voices' – Berkeley

It was a real thrill to receive another positive comment from a member of the public, this time by email, praising the children for their behaviour at the recent 'Young Voices' concert in Berkeley.

"Please congratulate pupils from your school who participated in the Young voice choir. I went to the concert at Berkeley church. They were amazing! Well behaved and a credit to your school."

Cross-country

We are awaiting confirmation of the date of the final race of the season, either 27th Feb or 5th or March. We currently hold **FIRST PLACE** in the small schools tournament.

INSET DAY No children are required on Monday 22nd February. It is a designated a staff training day and therefore we look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 23rd.

After-school Clubs These continue from **TUESDAY 23rd**. Just a quick reminder that we never run clubs on Parent Evening nights. It would be helpful if you are able to recall this next October!

Website We've just passed 40,000 visitors! Recent additions include updated information on the Governor's pages, the Maths Passport initiative and information on how we teach maths (with pictures!). This week saw Safer Internet Day. You can find lots more information on our "Staying Safe Online" page (under the learning tab.)

Illness We have weathered a time of considerable illness over recent weeks, and the staff have not been immune to the effects. Hopefully we can all come back to school recharged and raring to go. My thanks go to Mrs Pullin who has covered Class 3 during Miss Parker's illness, and to Miss Parker for carrying on with Parent's Evening regardless.

'Disqualification By Association' Once a year we are required to catch up with our staff, governors and volunteer parents on the 'Disqualification by Association' form. Some of you, cleared more recently, will feel this is a duplication of recent work. Sadly, it is! However we cannot have a rolling year with over 80 different 'starting points' and so, last year, we decided to make this an annual catch up around the February half term. Please comply with this safeguarding request and complete the paperwork as soon as possible.

Term Dates

Following a meeting on the 22nd February I should be in a position to confirm the INSET dates (and therefore the term dates for children) for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year.

Parent-Teacher Consultation meetings

If for any reason you were unable to make an appointment this week please make arrangements as soon as possible with the class teachers.

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

Friday 12 th	FONNS Disco – Classes 1 & 2, 5:30 to 6:15 pm, Classes 3 & 4 6:30 – 7:30 pm ALSO Finance and Premises Governor meeting 6:30pm		
Monday 22nd	INSET day (Staff training) – so no school for the children		
Tuesday 23rd	First day back for children. Welcome to Miss Tyers. ALSO Teaching and Learning Committee (Governors) 6:00 p.m.		
Wednesday 24th	Years 1 & 2 to the S.S. Great Britain →	PACKED LUNCH NEEDED	
Thursday 25th	Leadership and Management Committee (Governors) 6:45 p.m.		
Tues 1 st March	Year 4 Cluster Computing day – here at North Nibley School ALSO 2 Governor visits – Maths and R.E.		
Wednesday 2nd	Governors Strategic committee 7:00 p.m.		
Tuesday 8th	Governors Meeting (Full board) 7:00 p.m.		
Wednesday 9 th	Child Protection Training for Head Teachers		
Thursday 10th	Years 5 & 6 Quicksticks Hockey (12:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.)		
Tuesday 15th	Country Dance Festival (early evening – details to follow)		
Wednesday 16th	Tag Rugby, Stinchcombe (afternoon – details to follow)		
Thursday 17 th	Redwood visits - Classes 4 and 3		
Wednesday 23 rd	Netball – County Finals (for which we qualified!)		
Thursday 24th	Redwood visits - Classes 1 & 2 ALSO LAST DAY OF TERM 4.		
THIS SPRING	NEXT SUMMER	NEXT AUTUMN	NEXT SPRING
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 4 23/02/16 - 24/03/16	Term 6 06/06/16 - 20/07/16		

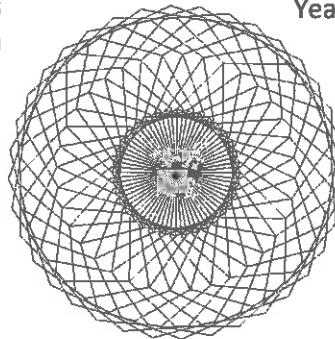
PARENT VIEW This questionnaire site is still available for parents wishing to share their views of the school. You can link to it from our website (under the Parent tab).

Class 1 delighted us with their dancing this week, telling the story of a toy shop that comes to life after closing!



Computing – can you help at home?

Our skills in computing continue to improve at a rapid pace.



Year 3 and 4 can construct complex shapes using procedures which repeat straight lines and accurately defined angles.

"Daisy the dinosaur" and "Bee-Bot" are popular (and free) apps which will support children in classes 1 & 2 if you have Android or Apple tablets available at home.

Subscribe to our emailed newsletter here - newsletter@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk

FREE HANDBALL SESSIONS

WHERE?

WOTTON SPORTS CENTRE

WHEN?

SATURDAY 20TH FEBRUARY

11AM - 12PM OR 12PM - 1PM

WHAT?

COACHING FOLLOWED BY GAMES.

WHO?

CHILDREN AGED 8 PLUS AND ADULTS

HOW?

REGISTER AN INTEREST BY E-MAILING SBATES@K1BSCHOOL.ORG.UK OR

RINGING 5 BATES ON 07840 666 977

