

NORTH NIBLEY C OF E SCHOOL

13/4/16

Dear Parents/ carers,

To support the topic 'Victorians' we have arranged a very exciting trip to the 'Ironbridge' museum on Thursday 28th April. The children will have a workshop 'The Victorian School' taught as if they were in the 1890's and have opportunity to explore the Victorian village.

The children will need to be ready to leave school on the coach at 8.00am that morning and will need a packed lunch and snacks. All children will need their water bottle and a back pack or suitable bag. Please do not send fizzy drinks of any sort. Please also make sure they have sensible, comfortable foot ware as there is a lot of walking involved, and dress appropriately for the weather!!

We should return around 4.45pm as we will be leaving the museum at around 2.45pm.

We ask for a contribution of £16.00 to cover the cost of the entry fees, the workshop and coach. If this is difficult please contact Mr Batchelor or Mrs Todhunter in strict confidence. As we recognise this is an expensive trip, FONNs has, kindly heavily subsidised this cost.

Please fill in and return the permission slip below with your contribution.

Miss A Parker

Class Teacher

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Ironbridge Museum –Thursday 28th April 8.00am till 4.45pm

I do/ do not give my permission for my child.....to attend the school trip to Ironbridge travelling by coach.

I have enclosed my contribution of £16.00 towards the cost.

Signed.....parent/carer.



NEWSLETTER 161

Thursday 14th April 2016

161 is the sum of five consecutive prime numbers: 23, 29, 31, 37, and 41

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Dear Parents and Friends,

Clubs – Running club starts Thursday 21st at 8:00 a.m. Reception and Year 1 children can attend if accompanied by their parents. ‘Regular’ clubs start w/b Monday 25th April. Our club ‘menu’ is now available. Please return it by Wednesday next week.

Ukelele Concert We are able to re-schedule Class 3’s concert for tomorrow at 1:00. Sadly no other time is possible since the tutor has new commitments at other schools. Please attend if you can.

Trip subsidy At their AGM FONNS kindly agreed to make a donation of £200 per class towards the cost of trips. Consequently we are able to bring down the cost of trips this term. **Thank you FONNS and all our FUNdraisers!**

Choir event TUESDAY 26th April, St Mary’s Wotton, 6:30 – Our choir have been practising hard and tickets are now available for this performance. Please ask in the office for details. £2.00 per adult, children are free.

Pollen survey Parents are reminded that before Easter we distributed a questionnaire for our Polli:Nation project. We would be pleased to receive these back by Friday 22nd April.

Uniform As the summer weather finally arrives, we notice an increasingly relaxed attitude to school uniform and footwear in particular. Please help us to maintain the standards we have set out in our prospectus, and do not fall for the persuasive ‘other children...’ pressure our children sometimes use on us! “Uniform: Shirt/blouse: white or grey. Shorts/trousers/skirts: grey or black. (Tie optional). Shoes should always be in a sensible style (no trainers). In the summer patterned/checked green/white dresses may be worn.”

SATS Arrangements Miss Tyers and I hope to hold a run-through of arrangements for this year’s SATS (tests) for Year 2 Parents after school on Wednesday 20th at 3:20. This 30 minute session should help you understand more about what is expected, since the arrangements are completely new this year.

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

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| Wednesday 20th | Governors – Strategic Group meeting here at 6:30 p.m. | | |
| Thursday 21 st April | Archery Team – competition at KLB | | |
| Monday 25th April | LAST SWIM for Years 1 & 2 | | |
| Tuesday 26th April | Choir – Concert at St. Mary’s Church, Wotton, 6:30 p.m. | | |
| THIS SUMMER – Pupil days | NEXT AUTUMN – Pupil days | NEXT SPRING – Pupil days | NEXT SUMMER – Pupil days |
| Term 5 11/04/16 - 27/05/16 | Term 1 05/09/2016 – 19/10/2016 | Term 3 03/01/2017 – 10/02/2017 | Term 5 24/04/17 - 26/05/17 |
| Term 6 06/06/16 - 20/07/16 | Term 2 31/10/2016 – 16/12/2016 | Term 4 20/02/2017 – 07/04/2017 | Term 6 05/06/17 - 19/07/17 |

Safeguarding As previously stated, a letter will be coming home to our volunteers requesting information about living and working overseas. If you receive this, please provide an answer as soon as possible.

48 hours sick Sadly there is still a level of sickness around. I remind you that children need to be 48 hours ‘clear’ from their last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea.

Skoolbo Many children have now been given access to this online (and app-based) software. Every effort has been made to get the user names and passwords correct, short of logging on as 70+ different individuals! Please let me know if yours doesn’t work.

Introducing this term’s Christian value, HOPE!

Hope is a word that we use a great deal in ordinary conversation and has consequently lost something of its power. I hope you can join me for lunch – The children hope that the school will be closed by snow tomorrow. At another and a much deeper level, hope is a universal human phenomenon which sustains people in times of great personal difficulty. People hope for peace in time of war; for food in time of famine; for justice in time of oppression and this hope can sustain them and give them energy. Where there is no hope society spirals downwards. For some people, hope is so strong that it inspires self-sacrifice to turn their hope into reality. Christians see their hope in God’s promise that love and goodness ultimately will (and already have) overcome all evil. This hope is manifested in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. How does the school promote a vision of a hopeful future? How does the school help children to understand that there is a chance of a new beginning and a fresh start in every situation? How does the school help the children to understand how they can play their part in creating a more sustainable environment and a better society? How does the school help pupils to understand how they are citizens of the world and that this citizenship brings challenges and responsibilities?

HOPE IS OUR ‘VALUE IN FOCUS’.

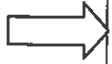
“Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, today is a gift of God, which is why we call it the present.” — **Bil Keane**

Dear Parents,

Thanks to the generosity of staff we are pleased to offer details about clubs this term.



Please note that school staff are not required to run clubs. They are not paid to run clubs.



Assume your child definitely has a place UNLESS THE NOTES BELOW INDICATE THAT A ROTA OR OTHER ARRANGEMENT BECOMES NECESSARY. If this is necessary we will contact you with details.

| Day | CLUB | For | Run by | Times | Where | Notes |
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| Monday | (Staff meetings) | | | | | |
| Tuesday | Lunchtime Choir | Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 | Mrs Shepherd | 12:30 – 1:00 | Classroom 1 | Performance at Wotton, St Mary's 26 th April |
| Wednesday | Lunchtime Netball | Years 5 & 6 | Mrs Dickson & Mrs Mead | Lunchtime | The playground | NO SIGN-UP NEEDED |
| Wednesday | Cricket | Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 | Mrs Dixon & Mrs Dickson | 3:15 – 4:15 pm | The field | 4 DATES ONLY 1) 4 th May 2) 11 th May 3) 18 th May 4) 25 th - TBC |
| Wednesday | Problem Solvers | Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 | Miss Parker | 3:15 – 4:15 pm | Classroom 3 | |
| Wednesday | Art | Years 1 & 2 | Miss Tyers | 3:15 – 4:15 pm | Classroom 2 | |
| Thursday | Morning Running Club | Years R – 6 (Reception & Year 1's must be accompanied by parents) | Mrs Dixon & Mrs Lewis | 8:00 – 8:50 am | The sports field | Parents and staff welcome to join in. Attendance MUST be prompt at 8:00 a.m. |
| Thursday | Computing | Years 1 & 2 | Mr Batchelor | 3:15 – 4:15 pm | Classroom 3 | |
| Thursday | Formula Goblin Car Club | Years 5 & 6 | Ms Surrige & Mrs Shepherd | 3:15 – 4:15 pm | Classroom 4 | A 'rota' letter will follow |
| MUSIC | Mrs Sargent's Violins (Tuesdays), Mrs Hales Woodwind (Wednesdays) and Mr Trotman's Piano (Mondays and Tuesdays) follow different timetables and are not considered to be 'clubs' in the same way as those above. To enquire about availability please ask at the office. | | | | | |

Please send reply slip in by **Wednesday 20th APRIL** since registers and groups will be completed on that day and allocations will go in book bags that night.

May Bank holiday – 2nd May (No school, no clubs!)

HALF-TERM Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June

Thursday 9th June – Year 6 Leaver's Service in Gloucester (Not back in time)

Clubs finish Friday 1st July

Thank you for your co-operation. *Please note that all helpers will need to be DBS checked by the school.*

Yours sincerely,

Mr P Batchelor, Head Teacher

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Commitment

Children who join clubs are expected to attend regularly. Please respect this since valuable time is lost worrying about missing pupils who have decided to drop out without telling anyone. Parents **MUST** notify the adult in charge of the club if their child is unable to attend for any reason. Registers are kept and absences are followed up so it is really helpful if teachers know at that time if a child is not attending. We also expect that children will be collected when the club ends, unless your Class 4 child already has permission to walk home. Please let us know if your usual arrangements need to change.

Kit

Children taking part in sports clubs will be expected to wear sports kit appropriate to the activity. If a club member cannot wear adequate kit, including footwear, then they may be a safety risk to themselves and others, and they will have to miss out.

Behaviour

We recognise that clubs, whilst not run on the same lines as formal schooling, nevertheless need to operate in a safe and orderly fashion, and we have clear expectations that the normal standards of behaviour and respect will be maintained. All children joining and taking part in clubs are expected to behave well, listen carefully and follow instructions straight away. The rules and expectations are the same as those during the school day. Children coming along should understand these expectations.

Please write your child's name against each club to which they are making a commitment.

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| Tuesday | Lunchtime Choir | Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 | |
| Wednesday | Lunchtime Netball | Years 5 & 6 | |
| Wednesday | Cricket | Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 | PLEASE NOTE THE DATES THIS CLUB WILL RUN. 1) 4 th May 2) 11 th May 3) 18 th May 4) 25 th - TBC |
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| Wednesday | Art | Years 1 & 2 | |
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| Thursday | Computing | Years 1 & 2 | |
| Thursday | Formula Goblin Car Club | Years 5 & 6 | |

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