



# NEWSLETTER 168

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There are 168 pips on a double-six set of dominoes.

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Dear Parents and Friends,

## WESTON-SUPER-MARE



Classes 1 & 2 had a wonderful time at the beach, as part of their topic on holidays, past and present. Grace said "We went on the swing boats. We had to cross the ropes and when the person in front was up they had to pull the rope." Beea said "We went donkey riding and I liked it." Posie added "We had an ice cream and a cone. Mine was vanilla. It was delicious." Zak remembered digging holes. "We had space hoppers to bounce on. We made sandcastles and mermaids in the sand. We dug very deep holes." Everyone had a fantastic time, including our many volunteers, who you can see in the 124 photographs posted on the website.

**NATURE QUIZ.** On Thursday the Nature Quiz team travelled to Elmore Village Hall to compete in one of 3 County level semi-finals of the Nature Quiz. We competed against St James from Cheltenham and St Briavels from the Forest of Dean. Our team were in second place for most of the rounds, but on the final round they identified all 8 specimens correctly, which brought them up to first place, and in fact causing them to win by 3 points. It was very close. They now go against 2 other teams on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July to be held in Cirencester. Over 100 schools again took part this year. To reach the finals in two successive years is a special achievement. Throughout the competition the team has had great support, from their coaches, their reserves, parents and friends.

## CATHEDRAL SERVICE



At the Year 6 Leaver's Service at Gloucester Cathedral we joined several hundred other children to think about moving on. Bob Hartman, the famous author and story teller (and author of our 'Open The Book' bible stories) retold the story of Esther with funny actions. We answered a quiz on the life of the Queen and thought about how we have supported one another during our time at Primary School. One school danced for us and another sang. It was good to see Miz there. Miz was the lead instructor in the iSingPop initiative which we hosted here several years ago. We gave thanks for our time at school and afterwards enjoyed ice-creams.

**FONNS 'GARDEN PARTY'.** Not quite as exciting as it sounds! Some parents have generously committed some time on Wednesday after school (3:15) to spruce up our garden area. You are most welcome to join in. Bringing your own tools would be a real help.

**SPORTS DAY** As usual we plan to start around 1:15 (ish) in the afternoon **THIS THURSDAY**. All are welcome. Please make sure children have sun hats, have had sun screen applied beforehand, and water bottles.

**NUT ALLERGY** Please note that the suspected allergy has now been confirmed. There can be **NO NUT PRODUCTS** of any type, **ANYWHERE** on site. Ensure that children wash their hands and faces if handling or eating such products before school. Please remain alert for signs of impetigo infection.

### HOPE IS OUR 'VALUE IN FOCUS'.

"When the world says "Give up," Hope whispers "Try it one more time." Anonymous

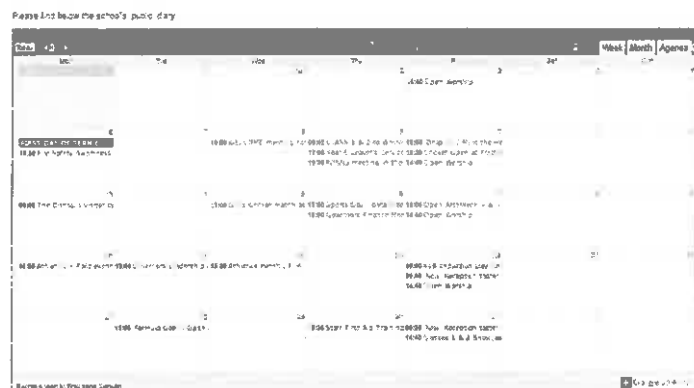


### EQUESTRIAN TEAM EVENT

Our riders had a great day at Hartpury. Against much older competitors our team won a jumping class. We also came team 6th in the dressage. Individually, in the jumping Bea came 3<sup>rd</sup>, Sophie 4th and Ella 6th. Thank you to Mrs Higton for the photo.

**DID YOU KNOW** We try to keep on top of an online diary. You can find it here -

[http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/?page\\_id=267](http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/?page_id=267)  
School Diary



**PARENT VIEW** If these articles have in any way helped to convince you that we are doing all we can for the children, please complete the ParentView website to register your views. Governors, staff and Ofsted reflect on your opinions when evaluating our work and planning for the future. Thank you. <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

**Diary Dates** Our online diary can be found at [http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/?page\\_id=267](http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/?page_id=267)

Weds 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Girl's Cricket match at Cam <b>NO MORE SPORTS CLUB ON WEDNESDAYS AFTER SCHOOL THIS YEAR</b>		
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	SPORTS DAY (afternoon) – see above. ALSO Governors Finance Meeting, 7:00 p.m.		
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Open Afternoon – all welcome ALSO - NIBLEY NIBBLES CAFÉ – here from 2:00 p.m.		
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Rev Axford to talk to Class 4 ALSO Athletics – Field events, here 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.		
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Governors Leadership & Management committee meeting, here 7:00 p.m.		
Weds 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Athletics - Athletics events, KLB 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.		
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	FINAL COMPUTING CLUB MEETING 6:30 – meeting for parents of current Reception children		
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	KLB Induction Day for some of our Year 6. ALSO 9:30a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 'New' Reception taster session Arrival of Swiss Students ALSO - Classes 1 & 2 Showcase assembly 2:30 (ish)      ← ← ← PLEASE NOTE THE NEW DATE		
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	'Formula Goblin Open Afternoon – details to follow Current Reception Parents – Questionnaires due back today please.		
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 & 4 Cricket, Stroud Meetings for parent of the current Reception. Timings confirmed via letter 'Strategic' Governors meeting, 7:00 at school		
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Staff First Aid Training (after school – NO COMPUTING CLUB) MUSIC FESTIVAL – FONNS needing help erecting the marquee, 5:30 p.m.		
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	9:30a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 'New' Reception taster session ALSO - NIBLEY NIBBLES CAFÉ – here from 2:00 p.m. ALSO – <b>END OF ALL AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS</b> (We will advise on instrument lessons separately)		
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	TENNIS COUNTY FINALS Full Governors, 7:00 p.m.		
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Nature Quiz County Finals		
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Final 'Redwood' day for Classes 1 & 2. Class 2 need a packed lunch.		
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Class 4 to Fairford Air show.		
<b>THIS SUMMER – Pupil days</b>	<b>NEXT AUTUMN – Pupil days</b>	<b>NEXT SPRING – Pupil days</b>	<b>NEXT SUMMER – Pupil days</b>
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

NORTH NIBLEY C OF E SCHOOL

13/6/16

Dear Parents/carers,

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July we have been awarded places to take all class 4 to the Air Tattoo at Fairford for the day. We need to leave promptly at 9.15am, and will be leaving Fairford at 3.30pm so may be back around 4.45pm approx depending on the traffic leaving the site.

**All children will need ear defenders** we are buying some lightweight adjustable ones for £4.00 which are available to purchase, or you can source your own as long as they are of a robust standard.

All children will need a packed lunch, full water bottle, sun cream and sun hat. School uniform will need to be worn, please also make sure the children have robust footwear not strappy sandals as there is a lot of walking to be done!

We need to ask for a voluntary contribution of 12 per child for the coach if you find this difficult please talk to Mr Batchelor or Mrs Todhunter in confidence.

Ms Surridge

Class Teacher.

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Fairford Air Tattoo – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July

I do/do not give my permission for my child..... to attend the Air tattoo at Fairford travelling by coach.

I have enclosed my voluntary contribution of £12.00

I would / would not like to purchase ear defenders from school and enclose my £4.00

NORTH NIBLEY C OF E SCHOOL

13/6/15

Dear Parents/carers,

Please find attached the invitation letter to the Tennis final for the Yr 3/ 4 competition at Oxstalls Tennis centre. We will be using a staff car and will be leaving school at 11.15am , children will require a packed lunch and will be issued with school team PE kit.

If your child requires one could you please bring in a car seat that day.

Could you please sign the consent below.

Mrs A Dixon.

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Tennis area final at Oxstalls Tennis Centre- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July

I do /do not give my permission for my child.....to take part in the Tennis Final and travel in staff cars , with the appropriate licence, insurance, disclosure form and DBS.

Signed.....

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15/6/16

Dear Parents/Carers,

**This letter is relevant to all children currently having violin lessons, and those planning to have violin lessons in the future. ( A separate letter will come home for other music tuition)**

**Could you please return this letter to indicate whether your child wishes to take music lessons next term starting Tuesday September 13<sup>th</sup> for 10 weeks.) Please return your booking slips with deposit by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July so that we can contract with Mrs Sargeant)**

Please read the following carefully.

Colwall Arts centre is no longer employing peripatetic music tutors, and schools have been making direct arrangements with music tutors where there is a demand for lessons. This means the school will be booking the tutors who are working on a self-employed basis, and we need to ensure they have enough children to make it worthwhile. We also need to charge a deposit of £30.00 per child with your expression of interest form.

Music lessons will commence on the 13th September for Violin with Mrs N. Sargeant. This term we are continuing to offer the opportunity to take lessons on the violin to the Year 1 and Year 2. If you do not already have an instrument for Violin the tutor will fill in the size needed and send order forms and bursary forms home with your child. These must be completed and sent with the correct money straight to the supplier, Colwell Music Centre. This is an additional cost to the tuition provided at school. They will not supply any instruments without the money up front. **These forms do not return to school.**

You will receive an invoice from School for the balance of the tuition a few weeks after term starts. Please note - once you have started the term, if you subsequently decide you no longer wish to have lessons, you will need to pay for the whole term as we base the cost on the number of children committed to lessons. This has varied in cost from £45- £53 in the past depending how many children wish to take lessons. All bookings are for a group of 10 lessons. We are not able to accept bookings for the Autumn term where balances are outstanding for the Summer term

Could you please return the completed reply slip below. If you do not there may not be spaces available for your child. Thank you

Mr P Batchelor Head Teacher

**VIOLIN LESSONS Autumn 2016**

My child /ren..... Would like to take Violin

lessons in the Autumn term 2016. I understand I am committing to pay for the term, and will pay the invoice promptly.

I enclose my deposit of £30.00.

I also understand there is a commitment to practise the instrument out of school time.

My child .....wishes to stop Violin

Signed ..... Parent/ carer.