



NEWSLETTER 177

Friday 7th October 2016

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Dear Parents and Friends,

Thank you for your kind words regarding last Friday's 'Welcome' assembly for Reception children.



A team from St Martin's Church led the children through 'Experience Harvest' this week. The children were entranced and the different themes – Harvest Of the ... Ocean, Garden, Earth, Grain and Flock - were wonderfully displayed. Thank you to the volunteers all of their hard work, dedication and the creative ways in which they brought the themes to life.

School Harvest – Our service is on Tuesday 11th, starting at 2:15 p.m. As well as a 'thought for the day' and a song or two, we would like to make a presentation of items of food, either fresh or in tins/packets, which St. Martin's will auction at the Harvest Supper on Friday 14th. If you could be so kind as to send your child to school on the 11th with an item, either fresh or packaged, we will make a grand presentation of all the donations during the service.

School Dinners We have received notification that, due to the discovery of asbestos in the kitchens at Cam Woodfield Infant School (where our meals are prepared), packed lunches only will be offered to us from half-term until Christmas. We are currently exploring a number of alternatives and will keep you informed of developments.

School Team Meetings



This week we had the first of our Team Meetings – a new way to involve all the children in the school in **School Improvement**. Each team is headed up by a class teacher and made up of children from Reception to Year 6. Elections were held and the following children elected as Leader and Deputy. The teams each have a mission to carry out and I look forward to seeing what they come up with!

	Air	Earth	Fire	Water
Leader	Jess G	Alice R	Harry W	Timmy B
Deputy	Laney B	George S	Clementine P-S	Fern S

Reception 2017! The local Authority (L.A.) will be sending letters out mid-November to parents of children due to start school in September 2017. Please contact school.admissions@gloucestershire.gov.uk if you haven't heard anything by 1st December. 15th January is the deadline for applying for a place. Allocation day is 18th April 2017.

NO Sport's Club Wednesday 12th due to Mutli-Skills running off-site.

NO Woodwind lessons (flute, sax, recorder, clarinet) Wednesday 12th due to Mutli-Skills running off-site. Woodwind lessons will instead go on to Wednesday 30th November.

Parent's Evening We trust you found the sessions with the class teachers useful. If any families have 'slipped through the net' please be aware that we will try to catch you to arrange a convenient time to discuss your child's progress.

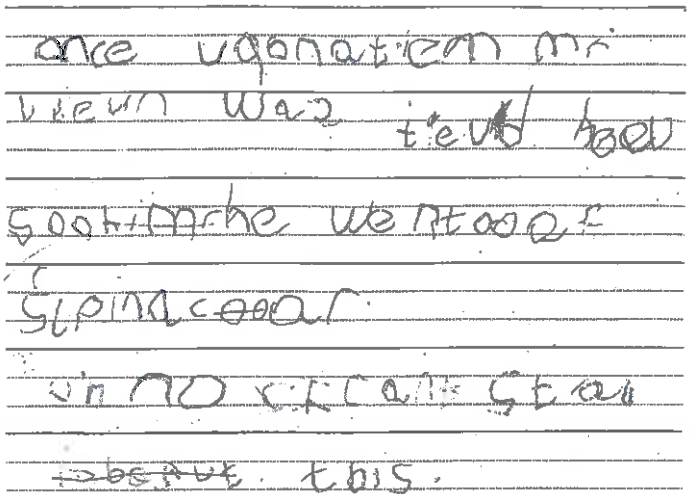
INFANT NATIVITY Advanced warning, dates for the performances are given in the diary below.

Dursley Gazette Your children feature 3 times in this week's issue! Find them on pages 5, 8 and 29!

Staff Vacancy There has been considerable interest in the TA role. I have conducted several tours with applicants.

FONNS Following the A.G.M. on Wednesday night, FONNS are able to offer readers a unique opportunity to take up the roles of **Chair Person** for the current school year. Members were very vocal in their willingness to support whoever is willing to take on this co-ordinating role! There will be another meeting on 2nd November to resolve this matter.

Attendance and Absence In September 2015 the Government introduced a new "persistent absence" threshold of 10%. This means any child with 90% or less attendance in a school year, for any reason, will be labelled as "persistently absence" (and 'Late after registers have closed' counts as an absence). The link between good attendance and high achievement is well proven. AMAZINGLY, the 27 children in Class 2 managed 3 consecutive weeks of full attendance! What a healthy, organised bunch!



Year 1s have been working on their fiction writing. The following extract is based on "Peace At Last".

Once upon a time Mr
Lion was tired
So he went off to
sleep in a car.
"Oh no I can't stand this"

I am sure you will agree that the line guides now in use across the school will, over time, produce an improvement in children's handwriting.
Well done Thomas B.

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

SATURDAY 8 th	1 st Cross-Country race of the season, KLB 9:30 a.m. for a 10:00 a.m. start
Monday 10 th	Open Morning – see the school in action. ALL WELCOME.
Tuesday 11 th	Harvest Service at St. Martin's Church from 2:15 p.m.
Weds 12 th	Year 3 + 4 Multi-skills 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. NO AFTER-SCHOOL SPORTS, NO WOODWIND THIS AFTERNOON
Monday 17 th	PHONICS & EARLY READING meeting for Parents 3:15 p.m.
Thursday 20 th	INSET – Staff training on Talk For Writing. No pupils today or Friday 21 st .
Weds 2nd NOV	FONNS Meeting
SATURDAY 5 th	2 nd Cross-Country race of the season, KLB 9:30 a.m. for a 10:00 a.m. start
Friday 2 nd DEC	Classes 1 & 2 nativity
Monday 5 th	Dress Rehearsal, younger children, Pre-School and Nursery 9:30 a.m.
Tuesday 6 th	Performance 2 o'clock - Evening Performance at 6 o'clock.

THIS AUTUMN – Pupil days	NEXT SPRING – Pupil days	NEXT SUMMER – Pupil days	AUTUMN 2017-2018
Term 1 05/09/2016 – 19/10/2016	Term 3 03/01/2017 – 10/02/2017	Term 5 24/04/17 - 26/05/17	To be confirmed
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

7/10/16

Dear parents/carers,

As you may already know, we have begun changing the traditional story 'The Three Little Pigs' to create our own version. Each child has planned a fantastic new story and we are about to begin the writing process!

You are invited to join Class 2 on Tuesday 18th October at 2:45 and listen to your child read their new story. This will only be a short visit but hopefully a very enjoyable and proud one, with an opportunity to see how your child's writing has progressed so far this year.

We hope that you can join us in our learning journey!

Thank you.

Miss A. Tyers

Class Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers

During our English work class one have been learning the story of Peace at last. We would like to invite you to see what we have been learning.

For reception parents this will be more of a stay and play session where children will have the opportunity to show you their new classroom, friends and favourite areas to learn in.

Year 1 children have written their own story of Peace at Last and they would love the opportunity to read these to you.

We will open the classroom to parents from 9.15 on Friday 14th October and parents can stay until 10.00.

We hope you can make it.

Many thanks

Miss Allen and Class 1

NORTH NIBLEY C OF E SCHOOL

5/10/16

Dear Parents/ carers,

Please note that due to Year3 /4 Multi skills at KLB next Wednesday, which extends into after school time, there will be no Sports Club.

Mrs Dixon

Class Teacher

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Class Teacher

NORTH NIBLEY C OF E SCHOOL

5th October 2016

Dear Parents,

We have been invited to a KEY STAGE 2 Multi skills afternoon at KLB on Wednesday 12th October and we would like to take all our Yr 3's and 4's. We will be leaving school at 1.15pm and we will return to school by approx. 3.45pm. There will, therefore, be no sports club after school.

We will need parent helpers to transport the children, both to and from the event. There is, however, not a facility for parents to stay and watch this event. **If we do not have enough parents to help with transport we will not be able to attend.**

Please make sure the children have their PE kit in school, and a pair of tracksuit trousers and top.

They will also need a snack and their water bottles.

Could you please sign the permission form below and indicate whether you will be able to help transport on the day. **Please return your slip by Friday 7th October.**

If your child uses a booster seat (is under 140cm) and you are not one of the helpers could you please ensure their seat is labelled with their name and left in the hall that morning.

Thank you.

Mrs A Dixon.
Class Teacher

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Multi skills Year 3 and 4 - KLB - Wednesday 12th October

I do/do not give my permission for my child.....to attend the activities day at KLB:'

I will /will not be able to help transport children there and back and I havespaces available. I have signed a volunteer driver letter and have a CRB/DBS check appropriate insurance and child restraints. Leaving school at 1.15pm.

I understand the children will be transported in staff and parent cars, they will have the appropriate child restraints, licence, CRB/DBS and insurance.

Signedparent /carer