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Learning, Achievement, Faith & Fun!

NEWSLETTER 370

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FORGIVENESS IS OUR CHRISTIAN VALUE IN FOCUS.

"Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Ephesians 4:31-32

Dear Parents and Friends,

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS!



Last week our Panathlon team took part in a number of different sporting challenges at KLB, against other schools – and won! One activity was 'parachuting' where we had to separate a number of coloured ball flung from a parachute. We worked against the clock to get points.



"My favourite activity was curling, where we had to slide 'stones' with wheeled bases towards a target on the floor." Another challenge was a team bowling challenge, where we had to knock down different pins. This was my favourite."



RIDERS IN THE STORM

Late news from the half-term break, 2 current and 3 ex-pupils from North Nibley took part in a Triathlon on horseback. Our current pupils said "It was

intense but great fun at the same time." "Our team came 4th and I also got 4th individual." "I think there were about 100 riders overall." "My rosettes were for my team coming 5th and I was 3rd overall as an individual." Well done girls!

WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM OUR FRIENDS

A HUGE "Thank you" goes to all those who turned up on Saturday to help improve the look of the school. From weeding to line painting, work on gates, ceilings and doors, the improvements are already making a big difference! You can spot many (but not all) of our local heroes on this web page, together with a list of outstanding works. Can you help? - <http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/can-you-help/>



HERE COME THE DAFFODILS

The school site has been further improved by the 'bloomin' daffodils which Mrs Adeline and children planted previously. If you would like to join her in running a gardening club, she would be very interested to talk to you.



MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE

Monday would not be too late for donations of plastic bottles (2 or 4 litre milk, or 2 litre 'cola' would be great!)

I MISSED AGAIN, AH HA!

Correction - the 'before school' Running Club will 'run again' in Term 5.

EVERYBODY HURTS, SOMETIMES

Whilst Class 4 were coached in first aid techniques, including CPR, the rest of the school were shown (and allowed to sit in) the Western Air Ambulance 'helipod'. It was very exciting to have visitors back on site after all our restrictions.



EVERYBODY'S CRAZY FOR A SMART DRESSED MAN!

Over 50 parents have anonymously shared their thoughts on the proposal to allow bottle-green polo shirts as part of the regular school uniform from September 2022. Before MONDAY 14th March you can share your views here -

<http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/consultation/>

D.I.S.C.O.



Thank you to FONNS for organising and staffing the discos on Friday – the children had an amazing time!

BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATER

Preschool have arranged a collection on Thursday 24th March for items to go to Ukraine. The Lions Club are picking it up from the village hall at 10am. If people wish to, they can donate and drop of at preschool or give to Julie Dyer. (Tuesday 22nd - Thursday 24th by 10am).

Tinned foods

Dried foods

Baby toiletries and nappies

Bedding

Toiletries

Gloves and hats

NO CLOTHES PLEASE.

LIVING IN A MATERIAL WORLD

Clothes Recycling Monday 14th March drop off your collections on Monday morning or Friday after school.

I'LL BE THERE

If you were a previously a 'reader' we would love to have you back. However, changes to safeguarding mean you and I (Mr B) have to have a chat before had, and there is some paperwork which we will help you complete. You may choose to wear a mask, if wanted, and suitable for the activity you support.

TALK-TALK

On Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd March we will hold our next Parent-Teacher meetings. These will be held face-to-face with catch-up meetings via Zoom at a later date for any unable to come into school.

LEADER OF THE PACK(ET)

The company that runs the crisp packet recycling scheme has notified us that the scheme will be closing. Thank you for your support so far. Mrs Kirby will soon supply a 'final' total and we will advise you of any alternative schemes / sites when we know them. We can send away any packets received by March 31st.

WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD

Our regular series on the actions we can take to ensure that our children - and their children - enjoy a better world. Here are some practical tips and ideas you may want to think about at home. Discuss these with your children too!



We have ordered two smart new benches for the playground. These are made from 100% recycled plastic, saving around 1000 plastic milk bottles from landfill. What could YOU switch to when shopping?

If any parents want to send me tips and recommendations for sustaining our 'Nibley Green' credentials, just email

newsletter@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk

I'D LIKE TO TEACH THE WORLD TO SING

YOUNG VOICES, it's really important you turn up to all the rehearsals please. There IS one on Tuesday.

SOME LIKE IT HOT

When it was clear that the heating works would not be finished in time, four brand new, but temporary radiators were bought for the school. Two months later they were removed. We are able to sell these on. They are white, measure 145 cm by 61 cm by 11 cm and are complete with wall brackets and valves. Please ask if interested.

RETURN TO SENDER

We have a shortage of ice packs in school. If you have any at home, we'd appreciate their return, thank you.

THESE ARE THE DAYS OF OUR LIVES

A reminder of the **pupil days** in the year ahead: Dates for 2022-2023 have been posted here -

<http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/term-dates/>

Also there, **DRAFT DATES** for 2023 - 24, and 2024 - 25! These will change slightly after formal adoption in the autumns of '22 and '23, when INSET days are added.)

	First pupil day	Last pupil day
Term 4	Mon 28 th Feb	Fri 8 th April
Term 5*	Mon 25 th April	Fri 27 th May
Term 6	Mon 6 th June	Tues 19 th July
Term 1	Tues 6 th Sept	Fri 21 st Oct
Term 2	Tues 1 st Nov	Friday 16 th Dec
Term 3	Weds 4 th Jan	Friday 17 th Feb

*May 2nd 2022 = Bank Holiday. Dates

IF THIS WAS A MOVIE

School Hall, Free entry,
Drinks & Popcorn for sale.

Yrs R, 1, 2 - 5 p.m. - Gruffalo's Child,

Yrs 3, 4, 5, 6 - 6 p.m. - Sing.

Come in PJs, bring a cushion! TONIGHT

FONNS
FUNraising for North Nibley C of E Primary School

(**SONG TITLES** - HOW MANY DO YOU KNOW?)