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Learning, Achievement, Faith & Fun!

# NEWSLETTER 372

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**FORGIVENESS IS OUR CHRISTIAN VALUE IN FOCUS.**

"There is no love without forgiveness and  
there is no forgiveness without love." Bryant H. McGill.

Dear Parents and Friends,

## HAT-TRICK?

Today we raised money for Brain Tumour Research (<https://www.braintumourresearch.org/fundraise/wear-a-hat-day>) by wearing silly hats (home made or otherwise) to school. We all looked **BRILLIANT!** Donations on the door amounted to £170 , including a generous contribution by a parent who had involved her office staff at her place of work. Isn't community awesome!



## DIATOM DAVE

'Diatom Dave', a visiting scientist, worked with Classes 1 & 2 teaching them about weather, and having a hair-raising time with electricity! Class 1 were thrilled with the effect of the 'wind gun' as it puffed air around the room making the displays flap. Ryder said "I enjoyed making my hair go up when I touch the silver ball."

Lydia remembers that Dave made it rain... inside a jam jar! Annabelle remembered the fog machine. Jonah liked the part where lightning sparks were created as the large silver balls were brought close to each other.



## **ALSO...**

Via Class Dojo and pupil post, we are sending home a questionnaire about science in your work place / career, with a view to compiling a list of parents who might be able to offer insights into science when this is taught at school. Please complete what you can and return by the end of term.

## **CYBER SPRINTERS**

Cyber Sprinters is a set of activities and puzzles from the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) for primary aged (KS2) children. They are aimed at parents to use with their children at home. There are lots of really useful activities such as learning about passwords, keeping personal information safe, suspicious messages and much more. See

<https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/collection/cybersprinters/home-activities>

## **CONSIDERATE PARKING**

Cars are still stopping on the zig-zag lines outside the school. There are NO circumstances (including lateness) where this is acceptable.

## **NATURE QUIZ**

In a tense 1<sup>st</sup> round match, the North Nibley team came equal first, pulling level in the last set of questions, to secure progress to the next round. This competition eliminates the lowest scoring school each time, so the pressure is very real. Since we are currently 'County Champions' (from 2019), this team can be inspired by the County trophy which sits in our lobby. As inter-school events get underway again, it was good to see another school in action! Horse chestnuts or sweet chestnuts – can you tell which is which?



## **PREMISES UPDATE**

Great Grandpa 'GG' has installed our two new benches in the playground, as well as a number of other small jobs around the school, and we are very grateful! If you ever make a booking at the recycling centre, and have space, please ask if we have anything to dispose of! (Usually you can help yourself to anything by the 'bins' at the front of the school). The remaining list of jobs can be found here -

<http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/can-you-help/>

## **VISITOR LANYARDS**

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

## **WE HAVE EVERYTHING YOU NEED...**

If you want to run a lunchtime Chess Club – all the pieces and willing children. Please ask for details!

## VOLUNTEERS

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.

### NIBLEY 'GREEN'

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!

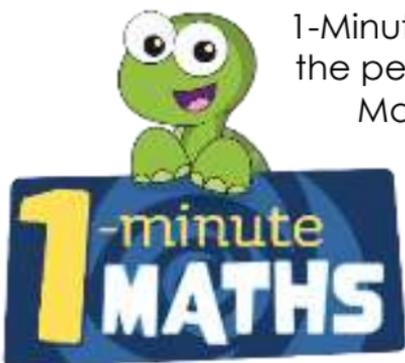
#### LOOKING GOOD

Boots, Kiehl's and Maybelline will currently 'take back' a range of beauty and grooming products, such as plastic eyeshadow and brow palettes, concealer or eye shadow tubes (including applicator), eyeliner or concealer pens, make-up tubes and mascara tubes (including brush/wand)!



If any parents want to send me tips and recommendations for sustaining our 'Nibley Green' credentials, just email [newsletter@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:newsletter@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk)

## IF YOU HAVEN'T GOT IT ALREADY, WE HIGHLY RATE THIS APP!



1-Minute maths is brought to you by the people behind the school's Maths Scheme, White Rose.

Check out these 7 top reasons for using 1-Minute Maths!

1. Excellent practice – and no distractions.
2. A clear, intuitive process that children pick up straight away.
3. No login or internet access needed. Just download and play.
4. Enjoyable and motivating... How many can they get correct in one minute?
5. Helpful hints match those used in class.
6. Brilliant for building number fluency and confidence.
7. It's FREE!

## GOVERNOR VACANCY

We continue to 'carry' a Governor vacancy and would be please to hear from anyone in our community who may be interested in this role. Please spread the word widely. Would-be Governors might like to start wth the document "Thinking about becoming a Governor?" which can be found here -

<http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/governor-succession/>

## RECYCLING CRISP PACKETS

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.

## ON THE STAGE

On Sunday during term time, Bristol Old Vic Theatre School opens its doors to young people from across the South West who want to learn theatrical skills in a fun, creative and welcoming environment. They offer weekly classes in both performance and production, taught by the students at the height of their professional training.

The workshops are split across four age groups:

Upstage for ages 4 to 6;

Downstage for ages 7 to 10;

Stage Left for ages 11 to 14;

Stage Right for ages 15 to 18.

The BOVTS Young Artists term will start on Sunday 1 May and runs until Sunday 10 July 2022. Partial bursaries are available, and will be assessed via application on a case-by-case basis.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch with Anastasia Kudryashova

Student Recruitment and Marketing Team

Bristol Old Vic Theatre School

2-3 Downside Road, Clifton, Bristol, BS8 2XF

[www.oldvic.ac.uk](http://www.oldvic.ac.uk)

## TERM DATES

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 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> April
Term 5*	Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> May
Term 6	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> July
Term 1	Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct
Term 2	Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec
Term 3	Weds 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb

\*May 2nd 2022 = Bank Holiday. Dates

## FONNS RECIPE BOOK

### WE WANT YOUR RECIPES

FONNS are creating a cookbook to share your favourite family recipes and raise money for our school.

#### PARTICIPATION IS EASY

Simply submit your favourite recipes to:

[nibleyrecipes@yahoo.com](mailto:nibleyrecipes@yahoo.com)

Please include the following for each recipe:

- 1-Name of family/child submitting recipe
- 2-Number of servings
- 3-Cooking/preparation time
- 4-Ingredients and method

Feel free to include any pictures of your dishes!

**DEADLINE FOR RECIPE SUBMISSIONS IS  
01/04/2022**

