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Learning, Achievement, Faith & Fun!

# NEWSLETTER 379

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## HOPE IS OUR CHRISTIAN VALUE IN FOCUS.

"Only in the darkness can you see the stars." — Martin Luther King Jr.

Dear Parents and Friends,

### HALL FLOOR UPGRADE!

Thank you so much to all those who helped to empty the school hall on the last day of Term 5. I am pleased to report that the fitting of a new floor was problem-free and ready for us all on Monday morning. Classes 3 and 4 provided the muscle power needed to move all the 'stuff' back in, but not before I had taken photos of an empty hall!



### WELCOME TO MRS BUCKLEY

Mrs Buckley has joined our team of Mid-Day Supervisors and is looking forward to getting to know your children.

### WILDLIFE QUIZ, COUNTY SEMI-FINALS!

This prestigious event takes place at 5:30, at Robinswood County Park. We have been allocated just 10 places – the team of 4, with one parent each, Ms Surrige and Clare Smith. (our Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust rep). Those unable to attend, including myself, will just have to hope the team makes it through to the finals, where they will have space for a lot of supporters!

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Superstars, North Nibley, the pre- and after-school childcare service, was inspected by Ofsted in May, and the report has just been released! Although services such as Superstars are inspected under a different framework to schools, it is still a rigorous process and I'm delighted to read about their many successes. It is very telling that under the section 'What does it need to do better?' there are NO recommendations! (And some lovely comments too about your children and the way they care for each other – just what we would have expected!) Please read the full report.

## **CLASS 4**

Children in Class 4 have begun a new 'history' topic (well, new for us!) now that a study of the Maya civilisation has been added to our curriculum. On Monday they travelled to Cadbury World to build knowledge of the history of chocolate!



These are some of the highlights from Daisy's writing:  
"On 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022 the whole of Class 4 went to Cadbury World. It was fun, especially as it was the first day back from half-term. The coach ride was a bit longer than I expected it to be. It was funny at the start when we went in a 'car' like a Cadbury's cream egg. Ms Surrige checked us in at the reception desk. A nice guy called Colin brought us to a room and he gave us a talk about Mesoamerica. That is where the ka-kawa beans came from, which they used to make a special drink.

After we watched a 4D film, then we ate our lunch. The tour continued through a 'jungle' and we looked at the realistic models of people. There was a cool movie-reflection mirror, and I wondered how they did it. Then we sat on reverberating seats!

After that we got to write our names in liquid chocolate. We looked at the history of Cadburys and were given a little pot of chocolate which we could add one or two toppings to. I added Oreo crumbs and marshmallows. We looped back around and went on a car ride. It was amazing to see all the little houses that the chocolate eggs were in. At one time all our t-shirts started to glow."

## **NEXT WEEK! SPORTS DAYS & VIOLIN**

Weather permitting, we hope to hold our competitive Sports Day on the afternoon of Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup>, beginning just after 1:00. The Play Leader's Sports Day will be on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July. As is traditional, you are very welcome to join us on the field and cheer on your athletes and teams. That week's violin lessons will take place on Thursdays instead.



### SAMPLE SHIRT

Following the decision to also allow bottle-green shirts as part of our school uniform, please keep your eyes open for the sample we have provided at the front of the school. (Our nameless model really needs a name, so suggestions would be appreciated!)

School Councillors may, from time-to-time, be spotted in their new yellow caps!



The school council have decided to equip the 'quiet area' in the playground with resources for drawing and colouring, and they are spending a good part of their budget on waterproof cushions for this area.

On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June the School Council will be meeting to decide on their nomination for our Summer Charity fund raiser. They will present this to the rest of the school on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>. Year 5 children wishing to stand for elections, for the position of Chair and Vice-Chair, 2022-2023, need to have their nominations in by the end of Monday 27<sup>th</sup>, and campaign from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup> of June. The election will be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>.



### ONLINE SAFETY

CEOPS, the Child Exploitation and Online Protection Agency, are "delighted to announce the launch of our new website for 4 to 7-year olds and accompanying guide for parents and carers. The website is based on the three-episode Jessie & Friends animated series, which aims to equip 4 to 7-year olds with the knowledge, skills and confidence they need to stay safer online. It is intended to be used by children alongside their parents and carers, or within schools as a learning tool."

### NIBLEY NIBBLES! 🍰📦🍪🍩🧁👉🍷🍵

Class 3 are excited for the return of Nibley Nibbles this Friday! It will run most Fridays until the end of the year. Please come and support us on Friday afternoon before assembly where you can enjoy a sweet treat and a cup of tea or coffee that some of the children of Class 3 have made. Proceeds will go towards the London Residential. Cash only please! 😊🤪

This week's treats include:

- Strawberry marshmallow squewers,
  - Rice crispie cakes,
  - Fairy cakes,
  - Flapjack,
  - Cookies
- And more!!

There may be some leftovers available for sale after assembly outside the front of the school.

### MONDAY'S SAFETY MESSAGE

This week I reminded children of the dangers of open water (now that the weather is improving!)

## MULTI-SKILLS AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB CANCELLED

Sorry everyone, we are cancelling Multi-skills Club (our own after-school club) on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> since other events are happening on those days.

## LOST PROPERTY

Can I appeal to you to write or re-write names in every item of clothing, and even more important, remove the names of previous owners? Thank you.

### 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!

#### **Make your own apron from a pair of old jeans!**

Turn a pair of old jeans into a denim work apron by unpicking the inside leg seams and stitching them together. This is one of many hacks from The Great British Sewing Bee's book on Sustainable Style (Quadrille, £27, published on 26 March).

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

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## DIARY DATES

Dates for 2022-2023 have been posted here , plus VERY DRAFT DATES for 2023 – 24, and 2024 – 25!

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

	First pupil day	Last pupil day
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	Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec
Term 3	Weds 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2023	Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2023
Term 4	Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> March
Term 5	Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> May



FONNS are asking cakes for the afternoon tea at Nibley Festival.

"We are asking for any parents that are willing to bake a whole cake for the festival.

Important info to be included:

☆ Full ingredients list to be included please - especially for allergens

☆ Can be whole cakes or cup cakes

☆ To be delivered to school between 9am - 3pm on Friday 1st July

☆ Please place on a disposable plate and cover - so we don't end with lots of containers needing to find homes again!

☆ No Fresh cream

We need 40 cakes in total. Please comment on the Class Dojo post if you are able to make something and a rough indication of what you will make so we can ensure we don't have too many of the same. Thank you once again for your support."