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NEWSLETTER 390

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RESPECT IS THIS TERM'S CHRISTIAN VALUE IN FOCUS.

"When we treat people merely as they are, they will remain as they are. When we treat them as if they were what they should be, they will become what they should be." Thomas S. Monson

Dear Parents and Friends,

WELCOME SERVICE Once again we've been blessed with a full cohort of Reception children to welcome, and they were so brave that they didn't need their Y6 buddies to help them (though the buddies were keen to be involved!) Once again we promised to cherish them and support them as they grow. A special moment for me was the coincidental inclusion of both our LA advisor and our Diocesan rep (at the rear of the hall). No inspection, no pressure, just us doing what we do, and the children as they always are – incredible.



THIS WEEK'S SAFETY MESSAGE

Children have been reminded to confirm in their own minds, the name of the adult to whom they would go if things get tough. This message, repeated several times each year, is a major part of our safeguarding routine. As a staff, we have to hope for the best but always be open to the possibility that a child could be in need of protection. We do continue to press home the message that everyone needs to know a specific 'someone' in school who would be ready to hear their concerns. Whole School Safeguarding and Child Protection training takes place on 17th October, after school.

DID YOU KNOW?

Our school lobby has the 'What 3 Words' address of "Whistle.Jammy.Abode" . This is also the address of our defibrillator, should it be needed in school hours.

FRIDAY'S 'IN THE NET'

Year 4 children attended a 'traditional' presentation / play about internet safety – In The Net. Noah said "It taught you about being nice when online." Billy remembered that Dotty had to change her behaviour and even say sorry as she put right her 'wrongs' .

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!

GETTING THE WORD OUT

Mrs Kirby has taken the battle of wasteful behaviour to school's suppliers, Consortium, who have made 4 separate journeys to deliver a 'pack' of 4 P.E. hoops, each separately wrapped! We will only make a difference if we are prepared to call out what is wrong. What will you challenge today, to support a greener world? Send me your tips for this regular item - newsletter@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk



OOOOpen Day!

Which Open Day posters have you spotted around the villages? There were 4 to find! Thank you to parents for giving special permission to have their child included.

This year's Open Morning is on **MONDAY 17th October**, and all parents and friends of yours, with children who will be starting school next September, are warmly invited.

TEACHER-PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Did you know there's all manner of support on the school website for parents, including:

"Parent / Teacher consultations – what to expect from a Parents' Evening" Download from

<http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/supporting-learning-publications/>

SUPPORTING READERS AT HOME

The same web page (above) also has a bank of useful questions for parents to use when children read at home. There are two variants in this series, one each for younger or older readers. Reading together CONTINUES TO BE THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT THING YOU CAN DO TO HELP YOUR CHILD. Please don't be in the 50% who stop once a child can decode simple words. We are in this together, for the good of your children.

CLOTHES COLLECTION

The clothes collection on 3rd October raised an incredible £135, so thank you very much for your help.

WEDS 12th OCTOBER- FONNS AGM – THIS WEEK!

Can we have a big turn out please! 7:30 in the school, or join via Zoom. You may not be thinking of standing (though you may!) but we need a quorate meeting to vote on those that are, so please please attend.

CONGRATULATIONS...

...go to ex-pupil Haiden, who recently competed in a National competition in his hobby of remote-controlled truck racing, coming a very creditable 10th. Well done!

WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ...

It would seem that the pressure to 'do what everyone else does online' is still 'a thing' at North Nibley. The National Online Safety has been producing a number of guides for parents over the years, and has one each for Tiktok, Facebook, Reddit, BeReal, Roblox and many many more. The more you know, the more you can support your youngers with informed advice. Why not do the research now, so that when they spring that conversation on you, you are fully prepared?
<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides>

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DIARY DATES - OCTOBER

MONDAY 10th – Parent's Evening

TUESDAY 11th – Parent's Evening

TUESDAY 11th – Harvest at St. Martin's Church. 9:15.
(Donations of tins and packets preferred, with Food Bank being the main beneficiary, though an auction of produce and promises at the Harvest Supper will support the work of Christian Aid. Thank you for your generosity. All welcome.

WEDS 12th - FONNS AGM – a big turn out please! 7:30.

MON 17th – SCHOOL OPEN DAY. ALSO...

MON 17th - Staff & Governors Child Protection training

FRIDAY 21st – Celebration Assembly. Traditionally 'certificates etc from elsewhere' are presented on the last 'school' Friday of a calendar month.

MONDAY 31st – Staff-Only (INSET) day at school. Enjoy your extended half-term!

You can find DRAFT DATES for 2023 – 24, and 2024 – 25 here <http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/term-dates/>

	First pupil day	Last pupil day
Term 1	Tues 6 th Sept	Fri 21 st Oct
Term 2	Tues 1 st Nov	Fri 16 th Dec
Term 3	Weds 4 th Jan 2023	Fri 17 th Feb 2023
Term 4	Mon 27 th Feb	Fri 31 st March
Term 5	Mon 17 th April	Fri 26 th May
Term 6	Mon 5 th June	Friday 21 st July



FONNS RECIPE BOOK

FONNS have a sample of the fund-raising recipe book available in the office. Do take a look.

