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**L**earning, **A**chievement, **F**aith & **F**un!

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## COMPASSION IS THIS TERM'S CHRISTIAN VALUE IN FOCUS.

"Love and compassion are necessities, not luxuries. Without them humanity cannot survive." Dalai Lama

Dear Parents and Friends,



The children (and staff) looked 'fab' wearing red today and we raised a significant £172 for this worthy cause.



**OUR 'GAG REEL' of jokes will be available online at the end of the day. I'll post the link in Class Dojo. -**

### STAFF NEWS

Mrs Dawn Shepherd, our valued Teaching Assistant in Class 4, is to begin an exciting new phase in her life – completing her UK teacher training qualification to go alongside her existing qualifications from overseas. Training will commence in September, so we can enjoy her enthusiasm and skill until the end of the school year. Recruitment for her successor will begin shortly, with details posted widely. Please help to spread the word.

### I DIDN'T KNOW I'D MISS... A POEM BY CLASSES 3 & 4.

I've had many positive comments from our readers about the poem we published last week.

With World Poetry Day this Sunday (Sunday, 21st March) do feel free to respond as parents now that home schooling has ended! Send your sentences, beginning "I didn't know I'd miss..." and I'll blend them together! Use the form here -

<https://forms.office.com/r/fVvti4GnTD>

## **PREMISES UPDATE**

The work on our lights has commenced! Thank you children for acting safely around the contractors today. Recent site meetings have confirmed the intention to complete the new heating system in the summer holidays.

## **SCHOOL TEAMS & THE 'TOKYO' CHALLENGE**

Don't forget – having 'reached Tokyo' once with our exercise challenge, we are attempting to repeat the challenge, but as individual school teams. You'll need to select the right team when you log on to record your exercise. Adults can 'play along' too and add their walks, swims, rides and runs to the pupil teams.



### **'NIBLEY GREEN' - Towards a greener world.**

A return to 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!

Act justly: the world's poorest people are suffering the most from climate change yet they have contributed the least to the problem. Ask your MP to speak up for action in the UK and other rich countries to cut their emissions and for help for poor communities to adapt to the changing climate.

## **CLEAR OUT**

We have 4 flat screen computer monitors of various sizes and ages. All still work. Please ask us if you think you can give a home to one of these.

## **SUPERSTARS BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

A number of you will have heard that Superstars is unable to run until after Easter. Looking further ahead, it would be useful if Jon, the manager of the service, could draw on a bank of available (DBS-cleared) adults should a regular member become unavailable. Please tell me if you think you could help.

## **PIN BOARDS**

Amongst the turmoil of the lockdown, my notes on those who requested the last of the free pin boards has been lost. Please identify yourselves!

## WORLD BOOK DAY

Your photos were awesome and we so enjoyed seeing the efforts people had gone to, to celebrate the power of books. You can find the final edit of the videos on the book review site –

<https://northnibleyschool.edublogs.org/>

Whilst there, why not listen to a story or poem read by our pupils and families, browse a book review or submit one of your own. An updated submission page can be found here –

<http://www.northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk/book-review-index/>

## TERM DATES

A reminder of the pupil days in the year ahead:

	First pupil day	Last pupil day
Term 4	Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> April
Term 5	Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> April *	Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> May
Term 6	Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> July
Term 1	Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct
Term 2	Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov.	Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec
Term 3	Weds 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan <b>2022</b>	Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Feb <b>2022</b>

\* May 3<sup>rd</sup> = Bank Holiday

## FONNS NEWS

FONNS have agreed to fund each class a generous £275 for the purposes of class trips out or special visitors in. We will be taking them up on this generous gift as soon as it is deemed safe to do so, and for an occasion that suits the topics of the time. Please continue to support FONNS initiatives.

## FONNS EASTER TREATS SALE

Watch out for the FONNS FLYER!



## GOVERNORS

At Governors this week the following policies were reviewed and adopted:

Special Educational Needs Policy

Special Educational Needs Information Report

Exceeding PAN Protocol

Anti-Radicalisation Policy

These can be found on the school website

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

Coming up soon –

Intimate Care Policy

Complaints Policy

Stay well and have a great weekend.