



Dear Families

Dear Families,

Every Friday now, one child is chosen for going above and beyond in an aspect of school life and in recognition of that they have a Hot Choloate with me! It is a lovely way to end the week and a wonderful way for me to get to know the children.

This week I have continued with observations across the school where I have seen some wonderful learning taking place. Forest school is always a popular lesson with our children and they have been keen to share the things they have been making and building. I had the pleasure of working with some Y1 children as they wrote their own versions of Peace at Last while other children were busy in continuous provision with construction kits and fine motor skill work. Y4's had a great, but cold, day at Crickley Hill on Thursday: photographs are within the newsletter. Clubs have all started and it has been great to see the children engaging in a variety of sports from football to Strictly Come Dancing as well as music through Young Voices!

Wednesday evening, I met with over 50 parents form Y2 and Y3. I am finding these meetings useful and in conjunction with the consultation papers it will give a good perspective of the school from a parent's point of view. As I have previously mentioned, when I have finished the last meeting next week, I will record myself on teams and send this out to parents who could not make it. Consultation papers will follow each meeting.

We had a good and productive staff meeting with Pie Corbett this week on Talk for Writing– it is always good to surround ourselves by experts and continue to upskill our team and further develop expertise.

A meeting was held with GCC on Thursday morning in which we were updated on the works happening in phase one. This newsletter does contain an update form GCC which will continue every fortnight.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, we will be starting a new safety word approach for when other adults collect children. The administration of this is very time consuming and with depleted office staff at the moment Mrs Hudson will be completing this task, issuing safety words a year group at a time. An email will be sent to you when it is your class' week. Please bear with us whilst we get this new system in place – these things take time!

The recordings of the curriculum meetings with teachers have been collated today and available to view here: [Naunton Park Primary School - Parent Information](#)

Finally, as an animal lover I love to see people's dogs and the school run is a great opportunity to take the dog for a walk. As you are all aware we have a "no dogs on the playground rule" and everyone sticks to this. Could I ask that you don't bring your dogs to the gate thresholds and wait outside the gate's surrounding area - there are several children who don't even like to walk past dogs and it is such a small area outside either gate. The other day children were having to walk through two dogs aggressively barking at each other. It's just about being mindful and considerate.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Fletcher

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A letter from GCC

Asset Management and Property Services,
Gloucestershire County Council,
Shire Hall,
Westgate Street,
Gloucester,
GL1 2TJ

Friday 30th September 2022

Naunton Park Primary School Refurbishment Works

Dear Parents

Further to our last update issued to you all on Friday 9th September, Phase One works are continuing to progress in the Thames and Wye classrooms, accessible and staff/visitor toilets, Head's office, reception area and former cloakroom next to the Thames classroom.

We had advised on September 9th that the Phase One works were scheduled to complete at the end of November but this has slipped slightly with works expected to complete by the end of December 2022.

We are working with the school and are continuing to develop and discuss the remaining details and duration of the full programme of phased works, the detail of which we will share with you in the coming weeks.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued patience and support whilst these works are being carried out and will continue to keep you informed on developments.

Yours sincerely



Neil Corbett

Assistant Director – Asset Management and Property Services

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School News

PTA

The PTA are an essential part of this school and provide our community with magnificent events which raise money for both the school and charity. Nevermore have we needed extra funds to support children's learning and key experiences.

The PTA, with your help, raised £96 with the bags for clothes scheme. Thank you.

NPPTA Update

Quiz tickets are now on sale for Friday 14th October, 7.30pm in the school hall. Teams of 6 or less. Meal options available.

Please place food orders by Monday 10th November. Thank-you!

<https://buytickets.at/nauntonparkprimaryschoolpta/768586>

Dates for the Diary:

- Winter Fair - Friday 25th November

Parents of children with and additional need or disability,

This may be of interest to you.....

A new service that has been set up for parent carers with at least one child that has an additional need or disability. We offer 12 weeks of online or telephone Counselling for free (or low cost) to those that meet this criteria. We are a strictly not for profit covering Worcestershire and surrounding Counties.

Nurture Hub Therapy Service C.I.C
Telephone or Text: 07957 425775

They currently only have a small waiting list and this is a great opportunity for a little extra support and a listening ear.

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Dates for your Diary

The link to all of our calendar dates is [Naunton Park Primary School - School Calendar](#)

Monday 26th Sept – Year 4 Curriculum Information Meeting (online)
Tuesday 27th Sept – Years 1 and 3 Curriculum Information Meeting (online)
Wednesday 28th Sept – Years 5 and 6 Curriculum Information Meeting (online)
Thursday 29th Sept – Reception and Year 2 Curriculum Information Meeting (online)
Thursday 29th Sept – Y5 Forest School
Friday 30th Sept – Y2 Forest School
Tuesday 4th Oct – Parent Consultations (3:50pm-6:50pm online via Teams) - see letter sent 22/9/22
Thursday 6th Oct – Parent Consultations (3:50pm-7:00pm online via Teams) - see letter sent 22/9/22
Friday 7th Oct – Y5 Literature Festival visit
Friday 7th Oct – Y3 Forest School
Monday 10th Oct – Y6 Literature Festival visit
Tuesday 11th Oct – Y4 Literature Festival visit
Wednesday 12th Oct – Y2 and Y3 Literature Festival visits
Thursday 13th Oct – Y5 Forest School
Friday 14th Oct – Reception, Y1 and Y2 Literature Festival visits
Friday 14th Oct – Y2 Forest School TBC due to Literature Festival
Thursday 20th Oct – Y6 Oxford Castle trip
Thursday 20th Oct – Reception, Y1 and Y2 Harvest Festival
Friday 21st Oct – Y3 Forest School
Friday 21st Oct – Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 Harvest Festival
Monday 24th – Friday 28th Oct – Half Term
Monday 31st Oct – INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
w/c Tuesday 1st Nov – Y6 Bikeability – see letter sent earlier this week

Headteacher's Evening with Parents – Welcome and Consultation

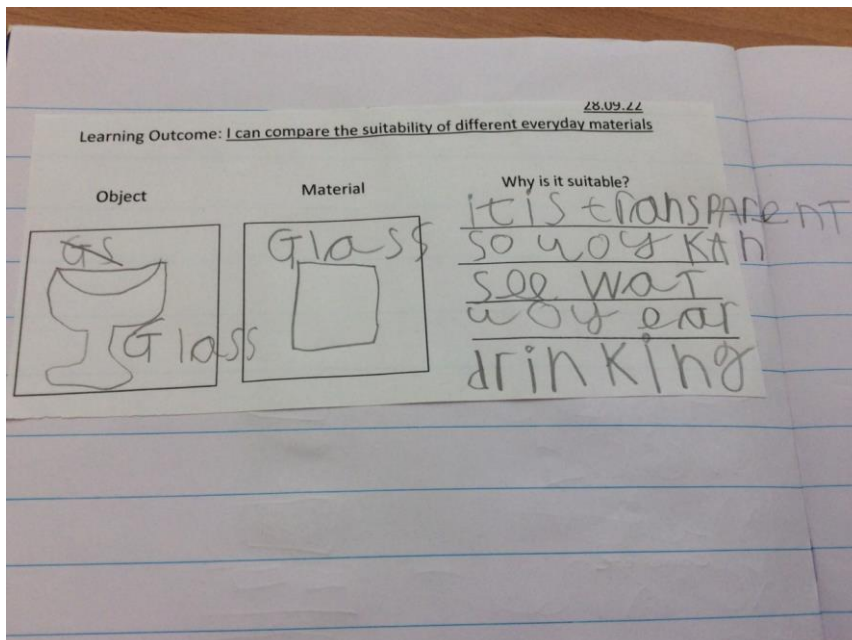
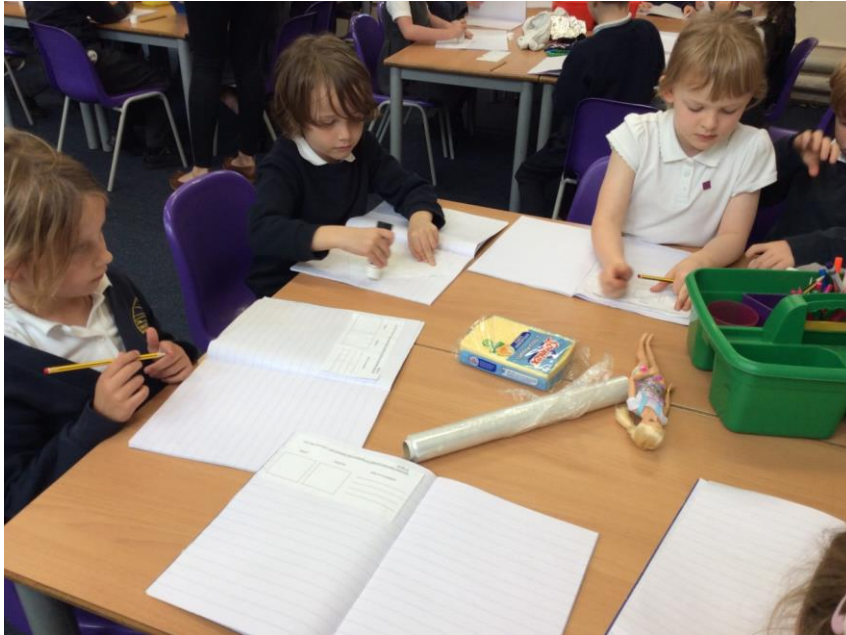
Y4/5/6 Wednesday 5th October – 5:30pm

Please see the school website for secondary school open days here: [Naunton Park Primary School - Virtual Book Bag](#)

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Class News

"In Science this week **Purple Class** have been comparing and grouping everyday materials. They have been discussing how different materials are suitable for different purposes. They have also been remembering to use different scientific language such as transparent, flexible and opaque."



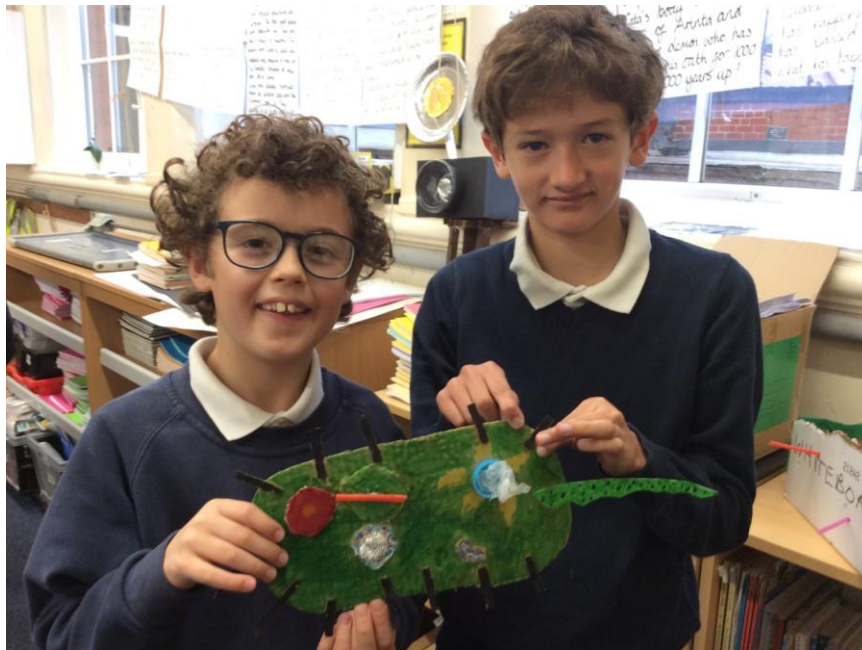
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Wye at Crickley Hill Experience



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In Avon class we have been studying microorganisms. We learnt about the five groups that microorganisms can be split into: fungi, algae, protozoa, bacteria and viruses. We also looked at the difference between eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells. Using all of this information, we made our own microorganism models. We had to be very careful to create accurate representations.



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Severn have had a brilliant time this week, getting messy! We have been learning about what life was like for Ancient Greeks by studying their pottery. We have had a go at creating our own Greek pots out of clay replicating the shapes used during that time.



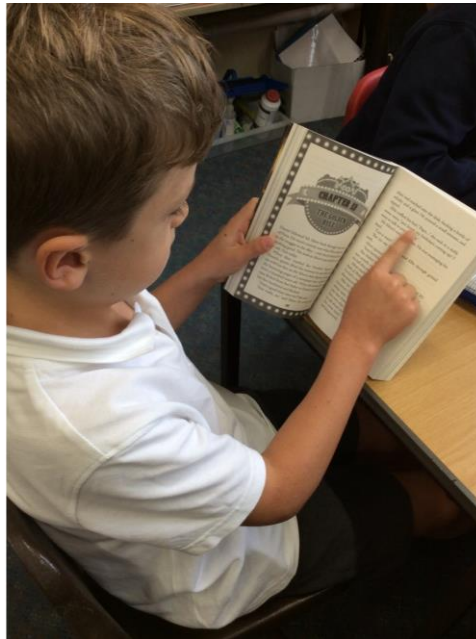
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Red Class 'We have had a very exciting and busy week, coming to school every day and meeting the rest of our class. We have made new friends and enjoyed exploring lots of different resources.'



In Cherwell Class, we are spell-bound as we make our daily excursions into the magical world of The Nowhere Emporium.

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This week the children in Cherwell Class have been writing their own stories based on the book, "I'll take you to Mrs Cole's!" The children have invented their own new characters and have been focussing on describing the settings in the story. Here we have Freddie, Olivia and James thinking hard and using their writer's skills.....



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This week Yellow Class had their PE gymnastic lesson outside on the trim track. The children had great fun exploring different ways to make star and tuck shapes. They were keen to challenge themselves, making shapes at different heights and even having a go at balancing on one leg!



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"This week in Sherborne we have been working hard on our spellings and have had some fantastic results in our Friday test. Well done to how hard everyone has worked in class and at home."



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Whole School Annual Attendance: %

Recognition Certificates

Well Done!	School Rules	Attitudes to learning
R	Cora Upadhyay Monte Copeland Jordan	Beatrice Warkins Tahilia Zasikowska
Y1	Kate Rice Hebe De Keyser	Ethan Harber Morgan Nasir
Y2	Sorcha Roberts Ted Berry	Bruce Nield Izzy Hutchins
Y3	Otis Cleave Ching Hei Leung	Briony Mitchell Samuel West
Y4	Max Smith Theo Vernal	Salma Elnhall Jacob Pettit
Y5	Amir Darwood Raffy Betts	Alexander Kroh Sobrino Charlie Taylor
Y6	Tom Crooke Tamara Zmora	Esme Bernott Lilly-Mae Bar

Something to Celebrate

We now have our Friday assemblies in the afternoon before the children go home. It is a lovely way to end the week celebrating and recognising the achievements of our children. Recognition certificates focus on two aspects – demonstrating our new school rules and attitudes to learning. In addition to this we would like for parents to send in any club certificates or medals to school so we can share this in assembly. Children can give them to their class teacher on Friday morning - this is a better way than it being on the newsletter as not all children get to see it.

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