

Dear Families

Dear Families,

What a beautiful week we have had, the children have thoroughly enjoyed sunshine at playtimes and they have played so well together. I hope this lasts into our half term – the children deserve a good break half term as they continue to work so diligently on all their learning. So do our hard working team too!

This week I have sent home a letter to our families summarising some of the successes and continuous improvement that have occurred over the last academic year. I hope you find this useful and I would like to invite you all in next term to go over our self-review of the school. Your input into this is invaluable and will only strengthen what we continue to achieve over the next few years.

Toady, Mrs Hudson and I met with a previous OFTED Inspector and now consultant, to review our school improvement and self-evaluation of our school. He began by asking what is exceptional about this school, we both had so much to share. It was a very positive and cathartic experience to be highly reflective of what the school is achieving now. We know we have aspects to improve on – we always will. In terms of the vision of the school "Achieving great things, in a great way." We really do have much to celebrate. It was good to have feedback from someone who is expert in school improvement and external to the school.

Sports day dates have been sent to you. I do apologise that these dates are later than you would have previously received them. We have a series of issues in arranging this.

It is that time of year when we start to look at the new staffing structure which ultimately informs where children will be next academic year. We have to wait until the 31st May, which is when the last resignations can be handed in by teachers and then we can formalise plans. We have a recruitment in hand and when this has been finalised we can share the new plan with you. Following that children will then have opportunities to spend time with their new teachers and teaching partners.

Have a lovely half term, I hope is peaceful, restful and full of sunshine. Mrs Fletcher

School News

CHAMPIONS

Netball Final

On Tuesday, our year six netball team played in the finals after coming top in their group. We played against St. Marks and Grangefield who also finished top of their groups.

It was an incredibly tense final with all schools playing brilliantly and at such a high standard.

Match one: Naunton Park beat Grangefield Match two: St. Marks beat Naunton Park Match Three: Grangefield beat St. Marks

This meant all schools had won and lost a match, so the overall winner was decided on goal difference.

There was one goal between each of the teams.

We finished in second place behind Grangefield by only one goal!!

Mrs Walls and Miss. Wright are so incredibly proud of the team and the whole of netball Club who have played so well this year.



NPPTA

NPPTA Update

A reminder this week that the PTA are excitedly planning several fundraisers over the summer:

- Jumble Trail Sunday 11th June, 2-4pm
- Drinks & sweets sale @ Sir Geoff Hurst Football Tournament Fri 23 June
- Summer Fair, 2023 Saturday 1st July, stalls 3-5pm (bar open until 6pm!)
- Bag2School Tuesday 4th July

Jumble Trail: Sunday 11 June 2-4pm

Host your own garage sale style stall at your house and/or by taking a walk out to browse the stalls around the local community.

If you don't have a suitable driveway or outdoor space to host a stall but would like to take part, Emmanuel Church have kindly offered their carpark for families to use. Just select the option for this when registering.

Stall holders can register <u>here</u> and will be added to the Live Jumble Map. Registration costs £10 per household. Please follow the link for more information (no obligation to take part if you click on the link!)

Browsers are invited to make a donation (of any value, minimum £1), and in doing so will receive a link to the live map. Donations are to be made here and the map link will be included in the thank you note.

This is a great way to clear out, make (or spend!) a few quid, and let someone else make use of your unwanted goodies. Please tell your neighbours and friends, all are welcome to join.

Summer Fair 2023

Planning is now in full swing for this event.

Save the date - Sat 1st July, 3pm-5pm (Bar open until 6pm!)

Huge thank-you to Liz and Sian for volunteering to help with the raffle and to all who have pledged prize donations. It's shaping up to be a great raffle so make sure you get your tickets when they go on sale!

If you are able to donate a prize please email **pta@nauntonpark.gloucs.sch.uk** We will spotlight any businesses that provide donations on our Facebook page.

We did not get any other responses for volunteers so still need the following -

Volunteers needed:

Bake-off judges - We are looking for two Bake-off judges. Perhaps you, or someone you know, is a member of the royal family, a celebrity, a baker, a patissier or, perhaps you simply love cake...this could be for you!

Bar team - We will need a bar team for this event. No experience necessary. Would be fun for a group of friends to take on together or for an individual wanting to get involved. The bar truly adds to the atmosphere of the event so you'd be contributing massively to the success of the day.

Sweets lead - We are looking for a volunteer to lead on the sweets stall - involves checking current stock levels, restocking (full instructions given) and setting up the stall on the day.

Naunton Park's Got Talent Judges - Three judges needed. In the past this role has been enormously enjoyed by grandparents. See below.

The Summer Fair proudly presents Naunton Park's Got Talent 2023

Naunton Park's Got Talent is an annual talent contest for the children. It is organised in school by the wonderful Mrs Farrow of Green Class. Rounds are held during the school day for those that choose to enter with the Grand Finale held at the Summer Fair. It is a much loved and time-honoured tradition of Naunton Park Primary.

Sir Geoff Hurst Football Tournament - Friday 23rd June

We will be running a cold drinks and sweet stall from 1300 (set-up from 1230) in Naunton Park. If you could help run the stall during the afternoon, please get in touch by emailing **pta@nauntonpark.gloucs.sch.uk.** Many thanks in advance!

Bag2School - Tues 4th July

We are holding a Bag2School collection on Tuesday 4^{th} July. Opportunity for a good ol' declutter before the holidays! Bring your donations to the school playground at drop off on morning of Tuesday 4^{th} July.

Remember "If everyone does a little, no one has to do a lot"

Class News

In Red Class this week, we have been exploring the idea of odd and even numbers. We learnt about the fact that even numbers can be shared equally between 2 groups whereas odd numbers can't. We used a 100 square to locate odd and even numbers, noticing the pattern. We also found that on our Numicon resources, the odd numbers have 'chimneys' whereas the even numbers don't. We then worked together in groups to sort a mixture of resources, images and numbers into odd and even groups and if we were unsure, used resources to count and find out. It would be great for the children to continue their learning about this at home - e.g do we have an even or odd number of apples?



Yellow Class have enjoyed taking their learning outside this week. We have been learning to tell the time to the hour and half past by drawing clocks on the playground and using sticks to show where the hour and minute hand would be. We have also played many games of what's the time Mr Wolf?







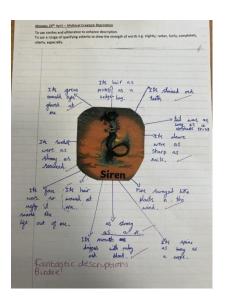
As part of our ongoing PE lessons this term, **Purple Class** have been learning how to react to and catch a ball from differing heights and after 1 or 2 bounces. In order to do this they have been practicing these skills in our outdoor PE sessions. It has been essential for everyone to do all of the 3 following skills:

- 1. Maintain a good "ready" position.
- 2. Lean forward to move quickly.
- 3. Move feet, rather than stretch, to get the ball.



'This week in Year 4 we have been building up to writing our own 'defeat the monster' story based on the myth Theseus and the Minotaur. As part of this, children have been coming up with some fantastic descriptions of their own mythical creatures using fantastic adjectives, similes, alliteration and personification.'





Last Friday, Year 5 had an exciting time learning lifeguarding skills during their swimming lesson. They all wore pyjamas, or other light clothing, and firstly got used to the feel of swimming with their clothes on, which they soon found was much harder work than when just swimming in a costume! Next, they learnt what to do if they fell into water, for example, waving and calling for help if people are nearby, and then floating on their backs to conserve energy. They also discussed which items of clothing to remove (shoes, coats and any other heavy clothing). They then practised various techniques to rescue their friends, including using woggles to pull them in and looping and throwing ropes if they were further from the side. They all had a wonderful time, but most importantly, will have some idea what to expect if they ever get into trouble.



Safeguarding

We will now be providing a weekly update about safeguarding, containing essential information for parents.

Policies

All statutory policies relating to safeguarding and child protection can be found on our website here:

Naunton Park Primary School - Policies These policies explain the school's approach to safeguarding and our procedures for effectively supporting children. All statutory policies are ratified by the Governing Body and reviewed/updated as specified by DFE guidance.

All safeguarding and child protection procedures in school come from the following policies and guidance:

- Keeping children safe in education 2022 (publishing.service.gov.uk)
- Professional and Personnel Relationships (gloucestershire.gov.uk)
- Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018 (publishing.service.gov.uk)

We don't ask visitors/volunteers to read these policies, but key messages and the school's procedures are summarised in a leaflet available from the school office.

First Aid in school

All staff in school are able to administer basic first aid, with or without training, to fully support the children when necessary. This includes cleaning surface wounds, applying plasters and ice as required. If a child bumps their head, then a paediatric first aider to assesses the bump/cut and monitor the child carefully. For most head bumps, we inform parents via a First Aid slip and/or bump sticker, however some are deemed to require further attention or



medical expertise. In these situations, we may inform you over the phone that a trip to A&E or the doctor is required, or we may ask you to come into school to have a look and decide for yourself (as the person who knows your child the best) whether you want to take them home or not. Obviously, in emergencies, we would call 999 immediately and then inform you straight away.

We have a statutory duty to provide training for certain members of staff in paediatric first aid. At Naunton Park, we exceed this duty to ensure we have more than enough staff trained to this level in case of staff absence...

Paediatric First Aiders

- Mrs Francis (Administrator)
- Mrs Farrow (EYFS Lead, DDSL & SLT)
- Mr O'Connor (Forest School Lead)
- Miss Walter (Kids' Club manager)
- Mrs Mamoogee (Kids' Club deputy manager)
- Mrs Stloukalova (TP & Kids' Club & lunchtime playworker)
- Mrs O'Donnell (Administrative Assistant)
- Mrs Hannaford-George (TP)
- Mrs Derrick (trainee teacher)

Our Adult First Aider in school is Mrs Francis.

Every playtime, there is a designated "First Aider" on duty so that children can be supported quickly and efficiently without having to go to the school office first. All of our lunchtime playworkers carry a first aid bag with them throughout their duty. On school trips, teachers ensure that first aid kits are carried and that the class' medical box (containing individual information about medical needs along with inhalers etc.) are taken. Please note that any information carried by staff is done so confidentially.

Diary Dates

Monday 5th June Start of Term 6 Monday 5th June-Tuesday 13th June RE Week

Monday 5th June Start of Y4 Multiplication Tables Checks

Tuesday 6th June Year 3 Science Festival trip

Wednesday 7th June

New YR (for Sept '23) parents meeting, 6-7pm
Thursday 8th June

Year 5 and Year 6 Science Festival trips
Friday 9th June

Year 6 Forest School (each Friday of Term 6)

Friday 9th June Year 4 Science Festival trip

Friday 9th June Year 5 swimming Sunday 11th June PTA Jumble Trail, 2-4pm

Monday 12th June Phonic Screening Check week for Y1 (and some Y2)

Friday 16th June Year 5 swimming

Wednesday 21st June Year 6 School Beat workshops

Friday 23rd June Year 5 swimming

Friday 23rd June Sir Geoff Hurst football tournament

Monday 26th June KS1 sports activities morning – parents invited to watch (times TBC) Tuesday 27th June KS2 sports races on the park – parents invited to watch (times TBC)

Thursday 29th June Year 6 School Beat workshops

Friday 30th June Year 5 swimming

Friday 30th June Prince of Wales Athletics competition

Saturday 1st July Summer Fair, 3-5pm

Tuesday 4th July Bags2School

Friday 7th July

Monday 10th-Friday 14th July

Friday 21st July

Monday 24th July

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Tuesday 25th July

Annual reports to parents

Year 6 residential to PGL

Last day of academic year

School closed (INSET)

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Term dates and events in the diary can be found here: Naunton Park Primary School - Calendar