

## Dear Families

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Another action-packed week here at NPPS! It was a pleasure to watch the Naunton Park's got talent this afternoon – again some super talented children who are definitely going to brighten up the day for our annual Summer Fair tomorrow. Good luck to everyone who is competing at the Athletics tonight, I know a lot of training has gone into this event.

Thank you to parents who have offered their support in with Science/STEM this term. We had more offers of visitors and support than we could fit into this packed term. We will have another Science piece of learning in November and hopefully we can get back to some parents who generously offered their time.

Calling all Portrait Artists – in September we will definitely need some artists in school to demonstrate great drawing skills to our children in the first week back. If you are interested or know someone please email Mrs Martin.

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### **Recruitment and Staffing News**

Yesterday we had our second round of Teaching Partner recruitment with four more candidates being welcomed to our school. This brings the total to ten new teaching partners across the whole school. I am aware that parents are keen to know who will where and this news will be shared next week as we still need to refine the staffing plan and let our own team know first. As I previously mentioned a great deal of thought goes into staffing plans where the main focus is to meet need. As a school we know where staff are best positioned due to a variety of reasons such as the training they have received, their experience, who works best together to train and support new staff to mention a few.

Due to strike days and PGL our children will be having their move up day in the last week of term. We will make sure they have chance to spend time with their new teachers. This is a little later than we would normally do this but the strike days have affected many plans. The recruitment of staff and having to go to second and third round adverts has also impacted on this date.

### **School Improvement**

On Tuesday we welcomed an experienced Headteacher and OFSTED inspector to our school. The day was spent with subject leads on what a typical DEEP DIVE into their subject area would be like. Fair to say it was very intense but a valuable experience, leaving us with a better understanding of what we do well and what we need to improve on.

**Today, Annual Parent Questionnaires have been sent to you** – we really do value your input. The consultations at the beginning of the year and after Christmas enabled me to gain a real understanding of

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school life from a parent's perspective and actions were built into our improvement plan. Please provide your feedback by 10<sup>th</sup> July here: <https://forms.office.com/e/KEE8tQ3NPN>

I am looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible for our Summer Fair, as ever a huge amount of work goes into this raising vital funds for school. More information about the PTA is within this newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Gayle Fletcher

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# School News

## Uniform

White Polo Shirt

White Shirt/Blouse

Navy Blue Jumper/Cardigan/Sweatshirt

Grey Shorts

Grey Trousers

Grey Skirt

Grey Pinafore Dress

Blue Gingham Dress/Playsuit

Grey socks

White socks

Black, plain trainers (no bright logos or insignia)

Black shoes

PE

Navy blue Joggers/leggings

Navy blue shorts/cycling shorts

House T-Shirts (plain colour)

Navy Blue Sweatshirt

Black Trainers/Daps

Swimming costume (one piece) Swimming trunks/shorts (No baggy shorts) ideally Navy/Black

All of this can be both school logo or shop bought.

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# PTA

## NPPTA Update

A huge THANK-YOU to Emily, Theresa and Kate for setting up and running the cake sale for the Sir Geoff Hurst Football Tournament last Friday. It was a truly joyful afternoon, the children did us proud and we were able to raise a fantastic £270 for the school! Thanks also to those who supplied the cake, to Mr O'Connor for organising the event and to everyone who supported it.

## Summer Fair 2023 - It's TOMORROW!

The BBQ is set, the bar is stocked, the performers of the grand finale of Naunton Park's Got Talent have only one more sleep to wait and, hopefully, your bakes are prepped...

...so come and join the fun **3-5pm - bar and bbq open until 6pm** - in the School Playground. Entrance via main playground gate, past the preschool.

Entrance donation £1 per person

The bar will take card payments; all other stalls require CASH!

## Raffle - Text SUMMER23 to 70970

Texts cost £5. Text as many times as you wish. Please share word and number with friends, family, neighbours, etc.

Awesome prizes to win including:

- Spa Day at Dormy House Hotel
- Cotswold Wildlife Park Tickets
- Cheltenham Festivals
- Cheltenham Racecourse

## The Great Naunton Park Bake-off sponsored by [HUDSON ROSE](#)

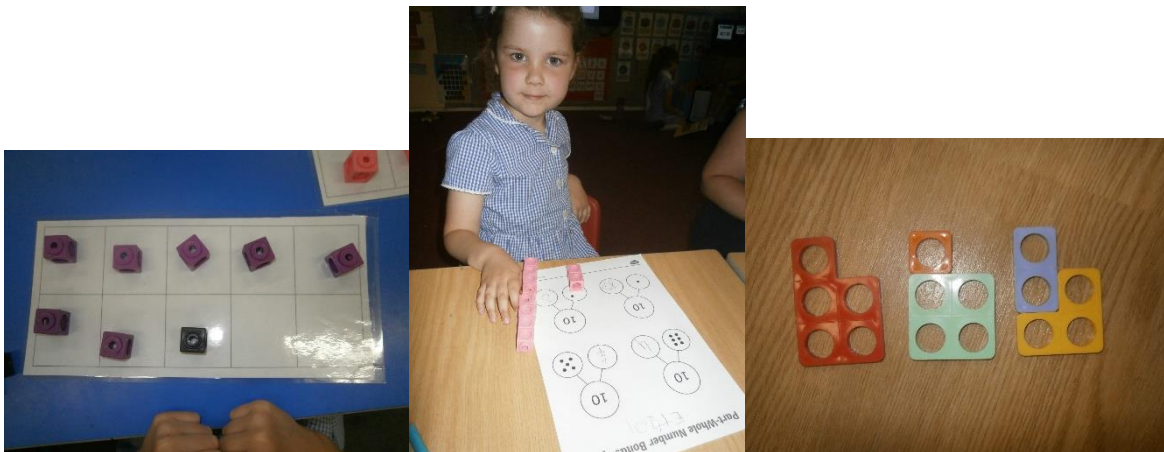
Categories for best cup-cake and best traybake. Bakes will be sold directly after the judging has taken place. Bring cakes to the fair at 3pm - judging starts at 3.20pm.

Prizes include an Afternoon Tea at the Ivy or Tickets to the Tivoli cinema, all courtesy of Hudson Rose mortgage advisors on Bath Road.

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# Class News

This week in Maths Red Class have been exploring numbers that add together to make 5 and 10 (number bonds). We have used our fingers, cubes and Numicon. We have also been practicing recalling the number bonds from memory where our teachers say one number and then quickly we say the number that you add to it to make 5. We are getting good at this game!



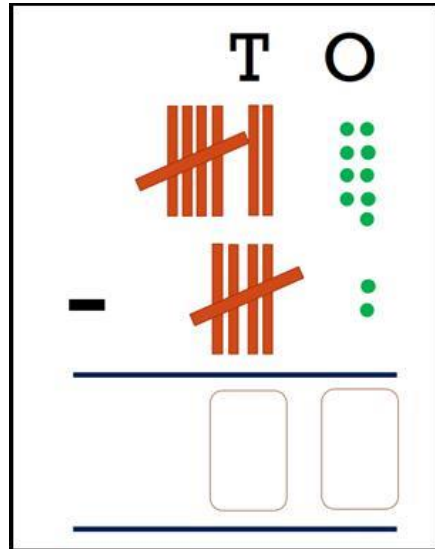
On Thursday, Year 4 went to St Edward's Prep School to watch a production called 'In the Net' all about being safe online, not giving too many details about yourself, telling your adult if you see something that worries you and not bullying anyone online. The children were entertained with songs, dances and important messages about how to be safe on ipads, phones and tablets.



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In Blue Class, we have been learning about subtracting 2, 2 digit numbers where there is no regrouping.

We started by using manipulatives to help us to organise the Tens and Ones columns. We removed the smaller number first, then repeated this with the larger number and learned that we were then left with the answer.



On Wednesday, Thames Class and Wye Class gave a clarinet performance to parents and families. Both classes (including Miss Neal and Mrs Windsor!) have been learning the clarinet for the past 10 weeks with Rob Kempner from Gloucestershire Music. The children have learnt the notes for C, F, E, D and G and we wowed our audience with about 7 tunes, ending with our favourite tune to show off our skills. All of the children have enjoyed this weekly clarinet lesson and we have heard and seen improvement week on week!



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Wednesday 28 June 2023 Science *Then*  
 I can make observations.  
 I can carry out an experiment.  
 I can use my observations to answer a question.

What is the best material for an umbrella?

What job does an umbrella need to do?  
 An umbrella needs to *keep you dry.*

An umbrella needs to be *waterproof*

paper	plastic	foil	fabric

Which material do you think would be the best one to make an umbrella from? Make your prediction here.

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I found out that *the plastic* was the best material to make an umbrella out of because *it keeps things and clothes dry*

In Yellow Class this week we have been working scientifically. The children had to use their knowledge of the properties of materials and observations to answer the question 'What is the best material for an umbrella?'. Mr Bear volunteered to test them out. We placed each material over him in the cup and then added water to see if the material was waterproof. It was great fun!

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On Wednesday, year 6 took part in a Make 24 Challenge. They were split into teams and given a card with four numbers on. The aim was to reach the total of 24 using all four numbers once. There were several rounds some of which were timed and involved working at speed; some where they worked individually and had to explain their answer out loud; and some where teamwork was required. The top three teams were very closely matched but congratulations to Liam, Toby, Taya, Bertie and Daisy for being victorious!

Next week we shall be taking three teams to a Make 24 tournament at Warden Hill school where we'll compete against other local schools.



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# Diary Dates

Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Summer Fair, 3-5pm
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Bags2School
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Y4-6 Swimming Gala
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Parent/child mental health workshop
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Annual reports to parents
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Forest School
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 residential to PGL
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5 Forest School
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	YR Cotswold Farm Park trip
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	New Red Class (2023-24) Stay and Play with Mrs Derrick
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y5 Forest School
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' performance
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last day of academic year
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	School closed (INSET)
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	School closed (INSET)

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## 2023-2024

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	INSET Days (school closed to pupils)
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Start of academic year for Y1-Y6
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	YR home visits
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	YR home visits
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	YR home visits
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	First day for YR Group A (9:00am)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	First day for YR Group B (12:50pm)

**Term dates and events in the diary can be found here:** [Naunton Park Primary School - Calendar](#)

No Certificates today due to Talen Show Afternoon – Hot Chocolate Friday happened this morning.

# Safeguarding

See poster on the next page for some safeguarding tips....

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# 10 Ways You Can SHARE KINDNESS ONLINE

Last year, around one in five young people aged 10–15 in England and Wales admitted experiencing online bullying: most commonly being insulted or sworn at, or having hurtful messages sent about them. To someone who's being bullied, the world can seem like a bleak, negative place – but just one kind word can be a ray of hope: a turning point that brightens their day and refreshes their perspective. That's why 'One Kind Word' is the theme of Anti-Bullying Week 2021. We're supporting this year's event by bringing you ten top tips for beating online bullying by replacing it with kindness.

## 1 PRAISE WHERE IT'S DUE

Sometimes a friend or relative might post online about something they're proud to have achieved: maybe an exam they've passed, a new skill they've learned or a task they've completed. Celebrate their hard work and determination by being kind enough to praise them for it publicly.

## 2 REACH OUT

It's not always easy to tell what kind of mood someone is in just from what they post online. Simply dropping somebody a message to say 'hi', to ask if they're OK or to tell them that you're thinking of them could totally make their day.

## 3 RECOMMEND FUN THINGS

If there's something you enjoy doing online – perhaps you play a particular game, or you've found a really cool site – share it with someone you think will enjoy it. Even recommending a film or TV show you think they'll like can bring a little happiness to someone who really needs it.

## 4 OFFER TO HELP

Sometimes you might see a friend or family member posting a question online or asking for help with something they can't do themselves. Don't just ignore it – if you can help, get in touch. Something that's difficult for them might be no trouble for you!

## 5 POST POSITIVELY

Lots of people seem to go online purely to complain about things or be negative. Just because you're communicating online (and not face to face) doesn't mean you can't be positive, though! Post about things that make you happy and that you're thankful for. It could brighten someone else's day.

## 6 SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION

If somebody that you know has done something positive or shown kindness themselves, go online and thank them with a message or a post. Expressing your gratitude costs nothing and showing someone that you appreciate them will really make them feel good.

## 7 BE UNDERSTANDING

Showing empathy towards others is an act of online kindness which often gets overlooked. If you notice that someone you know is upset, drop them a message. Sometimes people just need someone else to listen to them and understand their situation.

## 8 SHARE INSPIRATIONAL POSTS

When you see something online that inspires you or makes you feel happy, share it with people you know. A spot-on quotation, a beautiful photo or an uplifting video can lift someone's spirits and help them to feel better about life.

## 9 THINK BEFORE COMMENTING

Thinking before we act can be just as important as acting in the first place. Taking a second to consider what you're saying in advance could stop you from posting something negative, hurtful or offensive – even if you don't mean to. It's better to post positively or not post at all.

## 10 LIKE, LOVE AND ENGAGE

If somebody posts something that you like on social media, don't just scroll past – take the time to like it, love it or leave an appreciative comment! Reacting positively to other people's posts might seem like a small gesture but could mean a lot to them.

## Meet Our Expert

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