

Nacton Church of England Primary

Newsletter

Autumn No. 4



16th November 2018

Harvest Celebration: The children sang and read their poems beautifully in the Church and we were delighted to see so many family members in the church. The retiring collection raised an impressive £85.85 for St. Elizabeth's Hospice, this is the charity that St Martin's Church supported at their Harvest service.

Breakfast Club: Following some feedback we are going to change the opening time of breakfast club from 8.10am to **8.00am**. Breakfast club runs every day and involves taking part in an active session followed by toast. It is really easy to book your children on via Premier Education's website <https://www.premier-education.com/sport>.

Open Morning: Parents and carers are invited to join their children from 9.15 -10.15 on **Thursday 22nd November**.

Parent Governor: We are delighted that Clare Faulkner (Harry Year 2) applied and has been successfully appointed unopposed as our new Parent Governor. She will be joining our active and enthusiastic Governing Body.

Nacton School Association (NSA): We are so thankful to the NSA for continuing to support the school by raising vital funds to help us offer the pupils opportunities when school budgets are getting tighter. This year they are paying for Year 3 and 4's swimming in the Spring Term and also the music tuition for Year 5 and 6. If you are able to spare some time to help support the parents currently planning and organising fundraising events it would be very much appreciated.

2 stars and a wish: Thank you for your responses so far, if you still have this at home and would like to share your views on the school then please do send your responses in. In the coming weeks we will be looking at the responses and will feedback to you in the near future.

Anglian Water: During our Guardians of the Planet (Eco Team) meeting, they raised their concerns about taps not always being turned off in the children's toilets. We decided that we would hold an assembly to raise awareness of wasting water. Having contacted Anglian Water Community Education Team they are able to come in to lead a whole school assembly and also a workshop for our Year 1, 2 and 3 pupils on **Wednesday 21st November**. The Key Stage 2 workshops were great fun and very educational last year so we are looking forward to having Anglian Water visit again.

Upcoming Dates

Open morning for current parents/carers – 22nd November 9.15-10.15

Parents/carers invited to join us for our Christmas Decoration afternoon – 30th November time tbc

Information around Christmas dates will follow shortly.

News from Nacton Pupils

Guardians of the Planet: The Guardians of the Planet have been discussing how to make our school environmentally friendly and we have a few suggestions; there aren't many flowers so we should make a wildlife safe area, making sure that taps aren't left running, making sure that people put their litter in the bin and not leaving change of footwear bags outside as these can blow away.

Here are some top tips from the Guardians of the Planet:

- Do not sweep up all your autumn leaves, hedgehogs might like them
- Leave out rotting logs for insects
- Keep a few wild areas in your garden for wildlife.

Magda, Sophie, Charlie, Theo, Thomas, Zara and Selene

Catherine Raynor: One Friday an author and illustrator came in to see Lions. Her name was Catherine Raynor. She taught us how to draw a giraffe which was in one of her books. The book was called Abbigail, it was called Abbigail because the giraffe was named Abbigail. We all got a book from her named 'Harris Finds his Feet'. She put her autograph in all the books. The day before we went to the Wolsey Theatre to see her read some books. Then we went back to school.

Zara (Year 2) and Ella (Year 1)

Bikeability: It was a great experience for all of us. To get to Level 2 you had to pass Level 1 by completing a range of skills including: bike checks, turnings and much more. In Level 2 we cycled on the road and had to complete: different hand signals; being aware of cars; and a test on signs. If we completed Level 2 we got a bright orange badge and certificate. If we completed Level 1 we got a red badge and certificate.

Molly and Jake (Year 6)

Useful Contact Numbers

Looking for advice on your child's medical needs? Contact:

School nurse: 01473 275838

School Nurse Chathealth text number 07507 333356

Are you concerned about the welfare or safety of a child? Contact:

Customer First: **0808 800 4005**

Out of School Notices

The inclusion of details of extra-curricular, local and out-of-School activities in this Newsletter in no way implies that they are supported or endorsed by Nacton C of E Primary School, its Governors or any member of Staff. Parents are advised to make the appropriate enquiries regarding supervision, insurance and other matters.

St Martin's Church's Winter Coffee Morning on Saturday 24th November at Nacton Village Hall, 10am – 12noon.

Entry is £2.50 for adults and 50p for children – includes coffee and a mince pie.

Cakes and preserves stalls, wreaths for ordering, pre-loved stall, grand raffle, Christmas cake raffle and Hospice Christmas cards.

All raising funds for St Martin's Church and St Elizabeth Hospice

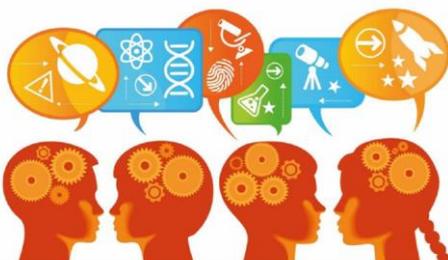
Free Support Group for Parents with Children Suffering Mental Health Difficulties

Come and meet other parents and carers over a cup of coffee and some cake!

Every Monday 7pm-8.30pm.

At the Recovery Hub Ipswich, 175 Felixstowe Road, IP3 8EB.

Further information at www.teenagementalhealth.co.uk or call 07955 803539



Ipswich Physicsfest 2018 Sunday 25th November at Northgate Arts Centre, Sidegate Lane, Ipswich, IP4 3DF 1pm-4pm

Visit our planetarium, try out some hands-on experiments, hear a talk on the physics of the periodic table, see some whizz-bang demonstrations. Free entrance and parking