

# Nacton Church of England Primary

## Newsletter

### Spring 5



15<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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**Elmer's Big Parade Fundraising:** On Sunday 31st March, I am going to do a Triathlon to raise money towards our Elmer the Elephant. I am going to swim 200m, bike 7.5km and run 2km consecutively. All the money that I raise will go to St. Elizabeth's Hospice. Please support me by sponsoring me in this challenge. There is a sponsor form in the school office.

Thank you, **Theo Alexandrou (Year 3)**.

**Breakfast Club:** Our breakfast club runs every day from 8am with the children taking part in physically active games to start, followed by toast. The booking information can now be found in the useful contacts section of our newsletters and is also on our website. If you'd like to know more, please ask.

**St George's Day:** We will have our traditional celebration of St George's Day by allowing pupils to wear any recognised uniform in to school on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**, the first day back after the Easter holiday. If your child has a Brownies, Rainbows, Scouts, Cubs, Beavers, Sea Cadets, Girls or Boys Brigade etc. uniform, then please encourage them to wear it. If your child plays for a local team e.g. football, karate, netball, they are also welcome to come to school in their team kit.

**Nacton School Association:** Our NSA is looking for some new members, and also someone willing to take on the role of secretary. This involves coming to the meetings and writing the minutes. The role of the NSA is very rewarding. We continue to be very grateful to the NSA for raising vital funds for the school. They have already paid for the music tuition for our Year 5 and 6 pupils and also the swimming for Year 3 and 4. They also contributed to the cost of pupils' Christmas lunch and also purchase the chocolate eggs for our annual Easter egg hunt. If you could spare some time to support the school by being involved in the NSA, please speak to either Mrs Ryan or Charlie Akers.

**Car engines running outside schools:** Public Health England and the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence have released a report focussed on how to cut air pollution including the suggestion of 'no-idling zones' outside schools, hospitals and care homes to protect the most vulnerable from the fumes. The Guardians of the Planet are very conscious of the effects of car fumes and so don't want their planned nature area to be at the front of the school due to this.

**Parent's evening:** We held two nights of parent's evenings this week, if you were unable to attend please speak to the office to arrange a time to meet with your child's teacher and get their report.

**Comic Relief:** Thank you for the amazing effort that went into the pupils' clothes for Red Nose Day, there are some fantastic smart and silly outfits. We have raised just over £94 which will all be going to Comic Relief.

**Book Fair:** Thank you for supporting our book fair this week, we sold many books and have enjoyed hearing the children talking about their new books. Thanks to your generosity we now have just over £200 to spend on books for the school.

## ***News from Nacton Pupils***

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March, the whole school dressed up as characters from picture books. We had an early assembly to see everybody's costumes like: Funnybones, Cinderella, Queen of Hearts, Little Red Riding Hood and other funny costumes. Most of the teachers were dressed as crayons from The Day the Crayons Quit.

Tianna and Isla, Year 4

On the 8<sup>th</sup> March we had a football and netball tournament where we had four games each. There were three other teams: Bealings, who we had played before; Bucklesham, who were very good; and Waldringfield, who we have never played before. In our first match we saved 4 shots and drew 0-0. On our second match we lost 2-0, but we played very well. Our last match the score was 4-1 to Bealings (they had three academy players). In the end Bealings won the football trophy. In the netball tournament we had eight players. In the first game we were not blocking very well, but on the second we did better and the third game we did even better and blocked about 15 passes. In high-five netball instead of playing one position, we swop places each time. It was really fun

George, Year 6 and Jasmine, Year 5

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March, the school councillors; Tamzin, Elizabeth, Lucia, Harry and Louie (Giselle was doing bikeability) went up to the sports field to raise the Commonwealth flag. First we went into the hall; we had to read our poem to quite a few people. Then we each had a turn to raise the flag, then we got cake and a play on the playground! It was so fun we were so thankful we got to go.

Tamzin, Year 5

On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 Year 6 went on a trip for British Science Week to BT. While at BT Year 6 experienced lots of 5 minute tasters on things/technologies that BT think they should expose to the world in the future. We had an hour and a half to roam around the large hall. There were 19 stands; they were all very engaging. At stall 10 there was a Beebot race. Congratulations to Magdalena, Cerys and Giselle for coming first. At stall 1 there was a 'Space Race' congratulations to Louis and Harry for coming first in that race. BT was a very fun experience.

Cerys and Imogen, Year 6

## ***Useful Contact Numbers***

**Premier Breakfast Club:** The breakfast club runs every day from 8am at school. Please book your place at [www.premier-education.com](http://www.premier-education.com), can book in advance or the night before.

**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**

## ***Upcoming Dates***

21<sup>st</sup> March – Year 6 FOSS Science Day at Nacton

22<sup>nd</sup> March – Year 3/4 visit to Foxburrow Farm

22<sup>nd</sup> March – Reception visit to Easton Farm Park

28<sup>th</sup> March – Curling Enrichment Day – all pupils

29<sup>th</sup> March 10am - Easter service at St Martin's Church and Easter lunch  
4<sup>th</sup> April – whole school Easter egg hunt  
5<sup>th</sup> April - End of term assembly Year 3 -6 at 9.15am, Reception and Year 1/2 at 2.45pm  
8<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> April Easter holiday  
23<sup>rd</sup> April St George's Day  
6<sup>th</sup> May Bank Holiday Monday  
13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> May Key Stage 2 SATs week  
27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May half term holiday  
29<sup>th</sup> June Summer Fayre  
10<sup>th</sup> July Sports morning and picnic lunch  
23<sup>rd</sup> July 10am Leavers' Service at St Martin's Church, leavers' lunch  
25<sup>th</sup> July – 1<sup>st</sup> September Summer holidays  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> September PD Days (children not in school)

*Please be aware that there is a chance that the dates of some events may change. If this happens, we will let you know as soon as reasonably possible.*

### **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, safeguarding, insurance and other matters.

#### **JAMES CAMPBELL WRITING DAY**

WOODBIDGE COMMUNITY CENTRE  
WEDNESDAY THE 10TH OF APRIL, 2019.  
10am til 3pm.

James Campbell is a children's author and comedian. He writes the Boyface series of books and also The Funny Life of Pets. James has been travelling around primary schools for 23 years, telling children stories, making them laugh and encouraging them to write their own work. This writing day is aimed at children of Key Stage 2 age, who really love writing and want to do more of it.

Over the course of the day James will take the children through various writing techniques designed to unlock their creativity. The day will begin with finding inspiration for a story, progress through planning the story in different ways and then there will be some actual writing.

We would hope that all children will manage to finish something during the day.

Places are limited to 15 so there will plenty of opportunity for each child to have individual attention from James.

James is DBS registered and has NSPCC child protection training.

There will be at least one other adult present throughout the day.

Please bring a packed lunch, snacks and water.

Please also bring a notebook and any favourite stationery.

Upon registration we will need your child's name, address, age and two contact telephone numbers in case of an emergency. It would also be useful to know if there are any medical issues we should know about.

The cost for the day is £30.

For more information, please email [bookings@thejamescampbell.com](mailto:bookings@thejamescampbell.com)

**Join Premier this Easter Holiday...** Multi-Sport, Musical Theatre, Gymnastics and Football themed holiday camps running at a venue near you! **New for 2019 - The Premier Discount Club:** Join Premier's brand new discount club to receive exclusive discounts and offers that are not available anywhere else! Simply text CLUBPREM SUFFOLK to 60777 and you'll receive an instant 50% discount for Easter Camps!

Please Note: Text messages will be charged at your standard network rate. You will not be charged to receive messages from us. We promise not to send you spam, however you may opt-out at any time by texting CLUBPREMSTOP to 60777

**Find your nearest camp at** <https://family.premier-education.com/about-us/suffolk/holiday-activities>

**Suffolk Music:** Children, young people and their families are invited to join the County Music Service for a **free** guitar and ukulele Open Evening on **Thursday 21 March 2019**.

Try a guitar and ukulele, meet our Songwriters, find out about our fun activities, and hear the South Suffolk Youth Guitar Ensemble perform!

**Where?** Northgate Arts Centre, Sidegate Lane West, Ipswich IP4 3DF

**When?** From 4.30 – 6.30pm, with an informal sharing by the South Suffolk Youth Guitar Ensemble at 5.45pm