

Nacton Church of England Primary

Newsletter

Spring No.1



January 7th 2020

Happy New Year: It is great to see the children back in school and ready to learn after their Christmas holidays. We hope that you were all able to have an enjoyable and restful holiday. On behalf of the staff I would like to say a big thank you for the gifts that staff received.

Staff update: We are delighted to welcome some new members of staff to our team, Mrs Devereux and Miss Pilcher who will be supporting our pupils in Lions and Leopards class. We are also delighted that Mrs Byland is joining our team of MDSAs. Huge congratulations to Mrs Boyle and her family as she is expecting her second child. She is planning to continue teaching until May half term, we will update you later on the covering of her maternity leave. Unfortunately Miss Lloyd-Smith was only temporarily our Head of Kitchen. EATs are currently looking for a permanent Head of Kitchen, we will let you know once they are appointed.

Swimming: Year 3 and 4 will be starting their swimming lessons on **Wednesday 8th January 2020**. If your child is unable to take part in swimming e.g. due to ill health, please ensure that you let the office know so that it can be passed on to the class teachers.

Handball Enrichment Day: On **Friday 10th January** all of our pupils will have the opportunity to take part in a Handball enrichment day, our Wednesday afternoon club this term will be Handball, and there are spaces available if your child/ren are interested.

After School Clubs: There are still spaces in the after school clubs, please return any slips to the school office, or ask for a new one.

Christian value of the half term: This half term our value is 'Respect'. We will be looking at:

- Respect for God's Creation
- Respect for Animals
- Respect for Sacred Objects
- Respect for God
- Respect for Others

This is one of our core values and we will be thinking about how we demonstrate this within our learning and behaviour in school.

Contact details: Please ensure that we have the most up to date contact details for parents/carers and emergency contacts. In the unlikely event that the school has to close due to severe weather we will inform parents via the website, by text and the school closures website <https://schoolclosures.suffolk.gov.uk/schools?qtype=primary> . We do endeavour to keep the school open

and will only close the school if completely necessary, taking into account the safety of pupils, parents/carers and staff.

The Lions Club of Ipswich: Thank you to the Lions Club of Ipswich who have kindly donated three story books focused on environmental issues including our impact on oceans and ocean animals.

Upcoming Dates

January

10th Handball Enrichment Day

13th PCSO visit to Tigers Class

March

5th World Book Day

6th Book Fair begins

10th Year 6 to BT for Science week

20th Archery Enrichment Day

24th Leopards Stone Age day

27th Easter service

April

2nd End of Term assembly

23rd St George's Day

24th Athletics Enrichment Day

May

8th Bank holiday – 75th anniversary VE (Victory in Europe) day

July

8th Sports morning and picnic lunch

10th FoSS Day – 'Olympic Values'

21st Leavers service

22nd End of Term assembly

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.

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, 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**