

Nunnery Wood Primary School



Newsletter Spring 1

Friday 12th January 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year break and you and your families are well. As always, it has been a real pleasure to welcome our children and their families back to school. We have a full and exciting half term ahead.

Dates for your diary were emailed out at the beginning of the week.

APPLICATION TO EYFS SEPTEMBER 2024

Applications for children due to start Reception in September 2024 close on Monday 15th January. Please make sure you have applied online, if you have not done so already, if your children have siblings who are due to start. Please also let friends and relatives know that they need to apply by this date.



YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU! ASPIRE TO BE ASSEMBLIES Dates available this term: 25th Jan, 1st Feb, 8th Feb, 22nd Feb

We have introduced "Aspire to be" assemblies for the children to find out about different jobs and careers. We continue to work to develop the children's understanding of the curriculum subjects we teach. We are teaching the children the opportunities that curriculum subjects offer them in later life.

For example, if you want to be a nurse you will need to enjoy science and want to help others. So far, we have had:

- Headteacher
- Doctor
- Sixth form musicians
- Police Community Support officer (PCSO)
- Managing director of local food producer

We want to inspire children by inviting parents/visitors in to share what they did to qualify for their job (a dentist for example), what subjects they enjoyed, which qualifications are required and what it is like to be in that role.

We know amongst our school community we have plumbers, doctors, scientists, taxi drivers, hairdressers, beauticians, gardeners, carers, nurses, computer analysts, retail assistants.... the list is endless. The aim of the assembly is to encourage children in Key Stage 2 to consider different career choices. There would be about 240 children in the hall. The assembly starts at 9am and is about 20 minutes long. The children enjoy finding out the subjects the visitor was good at in school, why and how they chose their career and do you have to go to university.

The school council will prepare questions to ask you about your career/job. Mrs. Wheeler will email the questions to you prior to the assembly so that you have an idea what you may be asked.

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Most visitors do a short PowerPoint presentation about their career but it isn't essential, followed by school council questions.

If the listed dates are inconvenient, please let us know when you are available and we endeavour to accommodate your request. Please contact a member of school team if you are willing to help us. We look forward to hearing from you.

FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS

As mentioned in our previous newsletter if you have a child registered on the free school meal register you will have received an email from Edenred with your £30 voucher. We have noticed that some vouchers are still unclaimed so please check your emails if you have not yet redeemed your voucher.



NUT-FREE SCHOOL

Although we recognise that this cannot be guaranteed, Nunnery Wood Primary aims to be a Nut-Free school. The school aims to protect children who have allergies to nuts yet also help them, as they grow up, to take responsibility as to what foods they can eat and to be aware of where they may be put at risk. We do not allow nuts or nut products in school lunch boxes.

Our "Nut-Free Policy" means that the following items should not be brought into school:

- Packs of nuts
- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts
- Chocolate spreads which often contain nuts
- Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts
- Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Cakes made with nuts

Please support the whole community by ensuring that your child's lunch box is free from nuts. Thank you for your support.



SEVERE WEATHER UPDATE - January 2024

As you are all aware the decision to close the school is never taken lightly. There are several factors that are taken into consideration but ultimately it is the safety of the children which is paramount and having the appropriate staffing ratios is essential. Yesterday you were all sent an email detailing our procedures.

Finally, may I respectfully remind you that learning starts promptly at 8.45am for all children other than Oak and Willow children (8.50am). Please ensure that your child/children is/are in their class no later than 8.40am as it upsets the children if they walk into their classroom and their teacher has started teaching or has already left for assembly. Gates are closed promptly by 8.45am at the latest.

Thank you for your support.

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