



Small School Big Ideas

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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year and welcome back to school. The children have all come back rested and full of wonderful tales of Christmas. Thankyou to everyone for all the lovely cards and presents given so generously to the staff. They were very much appreciated.

A list of dates for the half term will follow this week (including a few dates for the Summer Term too). We will keep updating you as and when we know more details of events, but this list should fill your diary up nicely!! There is a lot happening this term.

What's on this week:	
Tues 9 th Jan	School opens
Weds 10 th Jan	Mathletics/Reading Eggs Information Afternoon in school hall for parents. See details below
Thurs 11 th Jan	Open morning for prospective September starters 9-12.30pm
Fri 12 th Jan	Y5/6 Tennis Lessons start at David Lloyd 1.30 – 2.30pm
Sun 14 th Jan	Plough Service at St Matthew's Church 3pm. All welcome
Mon 15 th Jan	Textiles Collection. Bring bags to the school gate in the morning

Clubs

Clubs will start next week. A letter with details will follow.

Friends of Naburn

I would like to take this opportunity to say a **HUGE** thank you to the Friends of Naburn for generously donating some money to each class as a Christmas present. They even organised it to be put in Father Christmas' sack and I'm still trying to work out how they managed that. This was much appreciated by all the staff, who are already working out how to spend it!

Also, thank you for all the hard work towards making the Christingle Service such a success, both beforehand and on the day itself. It was such a special end to our school year, made possible by the team work of the adults involved.

See the list of dates for upcoming events (Textiles Collection on Monday 15th January, Movie Nights on 9th February and 9th March and Friends of Naburn meeting 3.15pm on Tuesday 16th January).

Tennis

The year 5/6 children are starting their weekly tennis lessons at David Lloyd this Friday (12th). A huge thank you to Mrs Coultish for offering to help at these sessions.

Next half term we will be looking for another volunteer to help with the Y3/4 children, so please keep this in mind too. Remember that the children need a water bottle, long hair tied back and a change of shoes to protect the tennis courts.



Parking

A reminder please to respect the parking restrictions in place around school on a morning and at the end of the school day. I am very grateful to those of you who do abide by these and choose to park carefully and safely away from school.

There are, however, a worrying number of parents who are parking on double yellow lines, in places which block the pavement or in places which prevent safe crossing of the road.

Please park wisely, so that our children can have a safe journey to school in 2018.



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Many thanks to those of you who looked after Mary, Joseph and Donkey throughout Advent and Christmas. The little trio appear to have had a wonderful time and the high standard of writing in the diaries reflects the focus we have had recently on both handwriting and the content of our written work.

Mathletics and Reading Eggs

As previously mentioned, we are holding a special Information Afternoon **tomorrow**, led by the Mathletics/Reading Eggs Team. This will mainly focus on Mathletics, with a little information on Reading Eggs too.

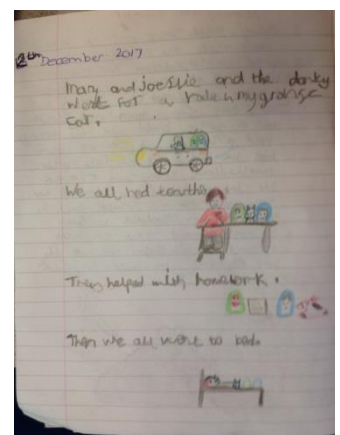
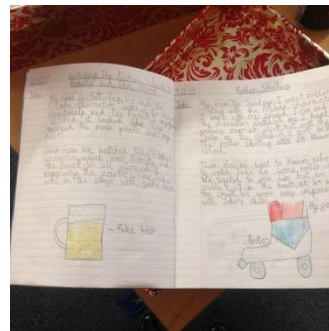
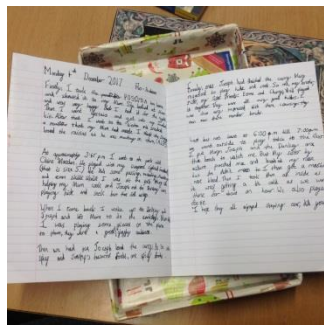


From 1.30pm – 2pm there will be an assembly for KS1 children and parents in the school hall, followed by a Q and A session until 2.15pm. KS1 parents are then welcome to stay in KS1 to work with their children on the programmes.

Then there will be a KS2 assembly for parents and children from 2.15pm – 2.45pm, with a Q and A session after until 3pm.

I hope that these sessions will inspire you and the children to use this resource more confidently at home, to help support the work we do in class. The teachers will also be receiving training on Wednesday after school, to further develop our use of these programmes.

Many thanks,
Mrs Christison



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