



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School

Dear Parents,

What a busy week we had last week! We all had great fun on National Outdoor Learning Day, exploring the future forest, creating pieces of art, making dens and helping the wildlife. Many thanks for the generous donations for our Friends of Naburn Future Forest Fundraiser. A total of £138 was raised, for which we are very grateful.

Celebrations

Last week, the awards went to:

- Elsie (in Rowan) for great addition skills
- Jonny (in Willow) for very thoughtful writing with beautiful presentation
- Amelia (in Oak) for her confidence and brilliant attitude

This week the Headteacher's award went to Max in Oak, for his thoughtful work in class and for his perseverance in quite a tricky task in RE this week.



Picture News

Story: Cruise ships around the world have found themselves docked due to current travel restrictions.

Question: Should we repurpose unused cruise ships?

Virtual Assembly: picture-news.co.uk/discuss



Animal of the Week

Last week's animal was the hedgehog and the children in Rowan enjoyed making a hedgehog home in their 'Future Forest session' on Friday. This week it is the turn of the kingfisher, a favourite of mine, so please encourage your child to find out more about these amazing birds.

TT Rockstars – Maths Week England

We have entered MWE Rock Out 2020, which runs from TODAY until- Saturday 14th November and we will be battling against schools across England. The children will be battling to find the most dedicated school, class and pupil on Times Table Rockstars in England. The children will need to access Times Table Rockstars as much as they can to answer as many questions as possible, so please try to spend time on this at home.



The main prize for the 3 top schools is a trophy. In school we will be providing a class party for the most enthusiastic class and the top 3 rockstars within the school will each win a certificate.

Please note, to avoid pupils playing late into the night and early morning we've limited the time of the competition from 07:30 GMT to 19:30 GMT each day. Answers given before 07:30 GMT or after 19:30 GMT will NOT count towards the competition.

Let's get rocking Naburn!

Friends of Naburn meeting

The next Zoom meeting is taking place this Wednesday, 11th November, at 8pm. ALL are welcome to join. The agenda is attached. The zoom joining details are:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86380538461?pwd=d1Z5OFFtODUyUUFnWjVaOG1QaUFFdz09>

Meeting ID: 863 8053 8461 Passcode: 1Yr35U

Besom

This year, rather than supporting the usual shoebox appeal at Christmas, we have decided to support a local organisation in York called Besom. They put together hampers containing gifts and essentials to give to local families in need at Christmas time. If you would like to make a donation for this we will be taking the donated items to them on Monday 7th December, so could we please ask for items to be brought into school on FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER.

Below is a list of the type of things they would very gratefully receive for the family hampers: **Chocolates, biscuits, selections boxes, mince pies and yule logs etc. Tins, pasta, rice and sauce jars. Toys for the children and gifts for the parents (toiletries, nice towels, stationery or something similar are perfect for the parents). Christmas decorations - some tinsel or fairy lights maybe.**

NSCC Look Say Sing Play

If you have a baby at home and are looking for ideas on how singing and talking can build their development, the NSPCC has launched Look Say Sing Play which is a super resource offering daily tips.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/look-say-sing-play/>

Christmas Cards

Your child should have come home on Friday with details from Chameleon Create to allow you to access their artwork online. In addition to Christmas cards there is also a huge range of other merchandise that can be purchased. Orders MUST be placed before midnight on Friday, no late orders can be accepted. Items will be dispatched by Saturday 28th November.

School Uniform Shop

Schoolshop at Elvington has asked us to relay to parents that although the shop has to remain closed during lockdown, they are open for online orders (for delivery or click and collect). After the success of operating on an appointment basis in recent months they have decided to keep it as a permanent feature. Once normal trading can resume they will continue to use the appointment system, with appointments being made either online from the homepage of their website or calling the shop to book over the phone.

Many thanks, Mrs Christison, Headteacher

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