

Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School

3rd December



Dear Parents

I start my newsletter with a note of caution. There are lots of exciting activities that we are looking forward to over the next fortnight and I am very keen that they should go ahead as planned. However, COVID-19 cases are high in the community and we must be sensible if we are to keep our calendar of Christmas activities. With this in mind, I am asking for your support and cooperation. If you are coming into school to help with reading or for a special occasion, such as the Community Afternoon, or attending the Nativity, please take a Lateral Flow Test prior to the event. Please can I also ask you to wear a face mask when you are in the school building. With your help we can make this a really fabulous Christmas with a **school full** of children and a **school full** of special and exciting Christmas events. Thank you.

This week, I rewrote the School Covid-19 Risk Assessment and it has been added to the website. You can take a read of it by using this link <u>https://www.naburnschool.com/risk-assessments/updated-risk-assessment-11</u>. The basic structure is very similar to the previous one with a couple of extra details. The most significant of these is that any suspected or confirmed close contacts of the Omicron variant will be asked to isolate for 10 days regardless of vaccination status or age.

Football Tournament

The 9th December, looks to be a busy and exciting day. One of the numerous exciting things that will happen on this day is a football tournament which is being held at York College over the course of the day. We will hopefully be wearing our new school football kit! It's red and white ... hoops! Thought it would be overly self-indulgent to have a red and white striped kit! Come on Team Naburn in our school colours!

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Y6 Assessment and SATs information Evening

Year 6 parents are invited to attend a meeting on Thursday 9th at 6.30pm. The meeting is aimed to give parents a good understanding of how their children will be assessed and tested in their final year at Naburn. It will also help give ideas about how you can best support your child's learning at home. I have deliberately arranged for it to start immediately after the disco so we have a captive audience of parents picking their children up. Please contact the school office if you intend to attend.

Message from the PTA

Tickets are now on sale for our Christmas Raffle. They will be sold on Sunday evening at the Christmas Tree Lighting and are also available from the school office or on the school gate at drop off or pick up. £1 per ticket. There is a fabulous hamper of goodies to be won, maybe even two! All monies raised will go to school.

Lighting the Christmas Tree



Community Afternoon and Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 10th December

I write to remind you of our Community Afternoon. This item has been added to the school's Christmas events list with its main objective being based around welcoming older members of our community into school. We want them to share some festive cheer with us which will involve a Christmas raffle, a Christmas quiz, Christmas refreshments, Christmas entertainment provided by the children and some Carol Singing. The fun starts at 1.30pm.

If you think you might be able to help serve refreshments on that afternoon, provide a raffle prize for a draw, such as a bottle of wine or chocolates, please get in touch with me at school. Thank you

Please note that the hall will be well ventilated with windows open.

Our Christmas Jumper Day will also take place on this date. We are asking you to send your child in on this day with a small voluntary donation as well as a Christmas themed top. The money raised will go towards supporting children with basics like food, shelter or education.

Thank you

Thank you so much for all your very kind donations for the various events we are holding over the next couple of weeks. You are all so incredibly generous and we are very grateful.

Thank you again to Mrs Horne, who has once again brought her wheel barrow into school and worked hard to plant up the playground baskets and tubs.

Thank you to Issy's mum from Year 1, who bought the Christmas lights, tinsel and baubles. Thank you to Mrs Atkinson for sourcing the Christmas Tree! We feel very festive and we are in school colours!



Nativity – 2pm (Community Invited) – 7th December

As reported in last week's newsletter, this year's Nativity production is called 'A Wriggly Nativity' and will be performed at the Village Hall. Our first performance is the Dress Rehearsal on the morning of 7th December at 10am. We have invited the local playgroups to join us. That afternoon is our next performance and is open to parents and the local community. Please get out and about and tell people. Our evening presentation is on Wednesday 8th and starts at 6pm.

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Along with some of the advice I have made in my opening paragraph of this letter, we will endeavour to ventilate the hall, seat families together and have hand sanitiser available for all to use when entering and departing.

School Council News (Disco 9th and Bake Sale 8th)

A reminder that the School Council are organising a Disco on Thursday 9th December and are also arranging a Bake Sale on Friday 8th. I believe that they sent more details out to you earlier in the week about these events.

Christmas Post Box

The School Christmas Post Box has had its first week of excited customers. The Year 6 children have done a fabulous job collecting and delivering the cards. If your child would like to send Christmas cards to school friends, they can use this exciting service. Please ensure that the name of the recipient, their surname and their class is clearly written on the envelope. Thank you

Let's Get Cooking Club

Mrs Mann will be sending a letter next week to let you know that she will be leading a 'Let's Get Cooking Club' from January 12th 2022. Thank you Mrs Mann.

The aim of the club is to allow the children to learn life skills which can bring years of food enjoyment, together with learning to eat more healthily and often more cheaply.

The club will be on Wednesdays 3.15- 4.30pm and run by Mrs Mann and as many parent helpers as we can get!

Christmas Date Reminders

Sunday 5th December – Carols round the Christmas Tree (Flag Pole/Blacksmith's Arms!) – 6pm

Tuesday 7th December – Nativity Dress Rehearsal and Matinee – Village Hall (10am and 2pm)

Wednesday 8th December - Nativity - 6pm

Thursday 9th December – Football Tournament – All day

Thursday 9th December – Y6 Parents Meeting – Testing and Assessments

Thursday 9th December – School Council Disco

Friday 10th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 10th December – Christmas Community Afternoon – 1.30pm Start

Sunday 12th December – Stillingfleet Fair – PTA - Chocolate Tombola – 11am to 3pm

Monday 13th December – Orange Collection Day for Christingle (Please can every child bring an orange to school on this day).

Tuesday 14th December – Prepping Oranges for the Christingle Service (PTA)

Wednesday 15th December - KS1 and KS2 Christmas Parties and Father Christmas! Party Clothes!

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Thursday 16th December – School Christmas Dinner

Friday 17th December - School Christingle Service – St Matthew's Church – 2pm

School Uniform

We will be making second hand uniform available in school from the start of the Spring Term. Please help us with this project by bringing us old uniform which your child has grown out of and is still in a good condition. Thank you

Advent Window Trail

Calling all Naburn residents!

Last year, the Advent windows were sooooo amazing, we thought it would be great to repeat the trail in Naburn. We have decided to run the Advent windows from 12th to the 24th December so that we have plenty of time to enjoy them. With the trail, we will be raising money for Naburn Primary School, and the Blacksmith's Arms will be helping the festivities along by providing hot chocolates for the children on the Fridays and Saturdays.

However - we need YOUR help! Would you be able to prepare a window and contribute to the Christmassy trail? Please get in touch with Susie Raimes <u>susier1971@hotmail.co.uk</u> or call 07813379521

Parent/Headteacher Meetings

I am looking forward to meeting more of you at my headteacher/parent meetings. These will continue to take place on Mondays, beginning at 4.30pm. If you would like to meet me individually, please see the date below and phone the school office to book an appointment. The next one is this coming Monday.

Meeting Date	Time
Monday 6 th December	4.30pm to 6pm

Stars of the Week

Here are this week's Stars' of the Week. They all have done very special things in school and we are very grateful. Congratulations and thank you!



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'Ave a Go!'

The 'Ave s Go' board is here! Please have a go.

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Date	Year Groups Battling
29.11.21-6.12.21	Year 1 and Year 2
6.12.21-13.12.21	Whole School Battle- All Year Groups (Year 1 -6)

TT Rockstars (Message from Mrs Mann)

Congratulations to Year 4 who won last week's battle against Year 6.

This week is a Key Stage One battle between Year 1 and 2- keep practising everyone! Please don't forget you can still win the title of 'TT Rockstar of the week' even if your year group is not battling.

Next week will be our last battle of the year with a Whole School Battle - Year 1 to Year 6 battling against each other to win the last 'TT Rockstars' title of the year. Extra playtime will be awarded to the year group that wins!

Happy 'Times Tabling' Naburn!

Picture News

Story: Founder of Facebook (a social media platform), Mark Zuckerberg, has announced Meta, a new company brand for its apps and technologies that will concentrate on building a new way of using the internet through virtual reality.

Question: Do we need to create a virtual universe? Virtual Assembly: Found on the Picture News website, just add /discuss

I hope that you enjoy the weekend.

Best wishes

Jonathan Green Headteacher

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