

Small School Big Ideas

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I really enjoy starting the newsletter with a couple of good news stories. Firstly, I wanted to congratulate our Year 4 children who took their Maths Tables Check last week. The results were excellent and highlighted their pride and commitment and willingness to succeed. It is also important for me to thank the members of staff involved in teaching this year group, particularly Mrs Mann and also the parents who have clearly arranged and managed extra practice at home and also encouraged their children to do their very best. **TEAM NABURN – UNS!** 

Below is a summary for your information of the details of the check and also the school results

If you prefer pictures to words please use the link provided <u>https://youtu.be/4G6mAKNgAKk</u>

## **Context**

- 1. 10 children at Naburn CE Primary School on the register to take the check.
- 2. 2 have left school over the course of the year but are included on our register.
- 3. 1 child absent during check period.
- 4. 7 children actually took the MTC over the course of the check period.
- 5. The check consisted of 25 questions (0 to 12x table).
- 6. There is no pass/fail mark and it is up to individual schools to decide what they do with the results.

#### <u>Breakdown</u>

- 2 children = 25 (100%)
- 1 child = 24
- 1 child = 23
- 1 child = 21
- 1 child = 19
- 1 child = 15
- 28% of the children who took the test got 100%
- 71% of our children who took the test scored over 20 marks

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- Mean score with absent child included is 19 (Crucial we have full attendance)
- Mean score without absent child is 21.7 (22)
- National 2019 non statutory test mean average was 18.4

Next week the school will receive the SATs results for our Year 6 children. These children deserve so much success and I know that they are eagerly awaiting their arrival along with the staff. I will be able to give you more information about how things have gone in next week's newsletter. In the meantime, good luck and best wishes Year 6!

## Sports Day



Children and adults thoroughly enjoyed our Sports Day



We had the best possible Sport's Day yesterday. So lovely to welcome all our community to such a fabulous school event and you can see that everyone who took part enjoyed the whole experience. We had about fifty friends and relatives supporting and helping the event to run smoothly. Hope Community Perseverance

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The children took part in both track and field events, completing the afternoon with a Sprint.

We had arranged it as our first ever House Competition. We now have four new House names, those being our three Christian Values of **Hope, Community** and **Perseverance**. We added the fourth, that being **Compassion**. I am delighted to report that the overall winning house was **COMPASSION!** Congratulations!!



**Superteams** will be our next House Sporting Competition, set to take place on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July.** The event will comprise of fourteen sporting challenges that our four House Teams will get involved in over the course of the day. These include sporting team trials based on golf, cricket, and football amongst other things that the children need to complete in their Houses. We also hope to be able to use a **TRACTOR** at some point over the course of the day! What can we do with a tractor to make it a challenge?

The event kicks off at 11am and will rely on a good deal of parental support. Please come and see me if you know you can help. Thank you.



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#### Y6 Leavers Assembly at Selby Abbey

Mrs Noble took our lovely Year 6 children to the Diocesan Leavers Assembly at Selby Abbey on Thursday. It was a gorgeous annual service which all the Anglican Primary and Junior Schools in York and the Selby area of North Yorkshire are invited to attend. It is a service that encourages the children to reflect on their time in school so far and look forward to the next step in their education. The children prepared by bringing footprints with various messages that were written and coloured that reflected personal Primary school memories and future thoughts. They also joined in the singing and the prayers.

Thank you to our parents who transported the children and also came along. Thank you to Andrew Smith and the Diocesan Education Team who put together such a memorable event. Finally, thank you to the students from Archbishop Holgate's School who led the service.



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## Stay and Play Day in Acorn Class

It was so good to welcome two of our three new reception children for next year, along with their parents and other family members. They enjoyed their play and stay time in Acorn and then had a super school dinner. I think that they already feel at home!



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## Exciting Cricket match at Bishopthorpe Cricket Club – 17th July

Bishopthorpe Cricket Club are hosting newly promoted York City FC in a 20/20 cricket fundraiser on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm. I am sure that keen football and cricket fans will enjoy the occasion and it will be a great opportunity to get a few autographs! More details in the poster below.



# Friends of Naburn School message - Wednesday 20th July - non uniform day and bring a bar of chocolate

On Wednesday 20th July we are asking all children in school to bring in a bar of chocolate or packet of sweets to be used on the tombola at the End of Term Party in the Playground. In return for this children can come to school in non-uniform on that day. Please ensure that all chocolate and sweet donations brought to school are in date and are unopened! Huge thanks.

If anyone has not yet returned their form for the party please do so ASAP. Slips will be going home next week advising what job you have been allocated.

## **Parent Questionnaire**

The Office sent out the school parent questionnaire last week. Please make every effort to complete it, at the latest, by today. It is a google form, so it is easy open and record your thoughts and views. It would be great to get input from every family in school and this would in turn help to inform school improvement and development. Thank you

## **Online safety (Safeguarding)**

Please open the link below to read the online safety leaflet about Minecraft.

#### https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/e-safety-quick-read-minecraft

#### **School Dinner Reminder**

I wonder if I could ask once again for your cooperation and understanding. You will already know that we have a brilliant school meal service. Julie, our cook is superb and the food she prepares and cooks at Bishopthorpe Infant School is wonderful. However, the kitchen is operating at a significant financial

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loss due to the fluctuating school number issue. If your child does have a pack up for dinner, please do consider the school meal option. This is particularly important if your child is in KS1. We need to improve dinner numbers, or the school will have a ginormous bill to pay, that we can ill afford. Thank you.

If dinner numbers do not improve, we might be forced to make school dinner compulsory (within reason) for all children. I do hope that you understand and can sympathise with the position the school finds itself.

**Parent Consultations on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022 - reminder and update** Parent consultations for all children will take place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July. We will be sending you your appointment times shortly.

This is an important opportunity to discuss with the teachers how your child is progressing, how you can support their learning at home and any other pertinent matters before they make their end of school year transition.

If you are unable to make these dates and times, please do see your child's class teacher as they may be able to arrange an alternative appointment.

#### **Ofsted Monitoring Visit update**

We have now received the draft letter from our monitoring visit that took place a couple of weeks ago. We hope to be able to send the final version of this by the end of next week. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

#### The Three Peaks Adventure!

Thank you again to Kate and Alex and their team for raising funds for the school by completing the National Three Peaks Challenge. To date they have raised a staggering £1,255!!! Their original target was 400 quid!

Thank you to all who have already donated and a reminder that there is still more time to add to this brilliant total if would like to:

https://www.gofundme.com/f/national-3-peaks-for-naburn-school?utm\_campaign=p\_cp+sharesheet&utm\_medium=copy\_link\_all&utm\_source=customer

#### **'TEAM NABURN – UNS!'**

#### Sprucing up the playground area

Unfortunately we need to postpone the proposed playground clean-up day on Sunday 10th July as we have few volunteers available. We'll be holding a clean-up day during the summer holidays instead and will be asking for volunteers once we have a firm date. Thanks!

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#### Names on Uniform please

It is wonderful to have warmer and longer days, but the downside of this is that school jumpers are often discarded by the children and left on the playground or in the school. With this in mind, please would you ensure all school uniform is named. It will really help all families and the school in the long run.

#### **Primary Picture News**

Story: Requests to join the Scouts and Girlguiding groups have reached the highest levels for over 80 years, with the Scout Association reporting 90,000 young people currently on waiting lists.
Question: Is it important for everyone to have a hobby?
Virtual Assembly: Found here: www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

#### Attendance figures

Weekly attendance data for this week is below.

- This week's School Attendance W/C 27.6.22 =93.15% Unauthorised absence = 2.47%
- Last week's School attendance = 89.27% Unauthorised absence = 7.32%
- Whole School Attendance Sept to May = 88.76% Unauthorised absence = 3.55%
- Whole School Attendance Term to date = 90.66 Unauthorised absence = 5.28%

#### **TTRockstars Battle Dates**

Here is the battle schedule for the remainder of the academic year:

Date	Year Groups Battling
27.6.2022	Year 6 and Year 4
4.7.2022	Year 1 and Year 2
11.7.2022	Whole School Battle- All Year Groups (Year 1 -6)

Please encourage the children to practise regularly at home and let a member of staff know if you are not sure of usernames and passwords.

I hope that you all have a super weekend.

Best wishes

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Jonathan Green Headteacher

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