



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Final week excitement in the heat – so much activity that I don't really know where to start! If you prefer pictures to words, please use the link provided. Thank you https://youtu.be/BV1-5Nm_Tzw

Heat!

The week started hot and the heat meant that we decided to postpone Monday's Superteams. Instead we had some House team games on the playground that involved a heck of a lot of cooling water! It was a super bonus event as we managed to run Superteams on a slightly cooler morning later in the week.



Fun in the Sun!

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Superteams

We managed to reschedule our first ever Superteams Sporting Event to Wednesday morning and it was still quite warm. Well done to the children, House Teams and thank you to the parents who helped to set out and run the events and then tidy up afterwards. As you can see from the photographs below of the children in action that they got totally stuck into the 16 sports team activities. Well done to **House Perseverance** who won the competition!



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Pirate Week in Acorn Class



Acorn Class had a great final week at school, enjoying a very special project on Pirates. This started with them planning their own project, carrying out research and a variety of activities that included art and creative writing and finishing with their very own Pirate Day on Thursday! Great work Acorn Class!

Free Pirate Joke

Why are pirates called pirates? **Because they arrrrr!**

Cricket Finals

Well done to our very young cricket team that qualified for the York Schools Sports Network Cricket Finals at Bishopthorpe Cricket Club. They have made enormous progress over the season and will be a far better team next year, because of the experiences that they had this season. Congratulations – **‘TEAM NABURN – UNS!’**

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Team Naburn with AYJS before their match



Thomas rehearses a shot

Final Assembly for our Year 6

We send our love and best wishes to our Year 6 children who leave us for Secondary School in September. I am not overstating anything when I say that they are a very impressive, intelligent group of children that totally 'get it'. They know and understand that they had an exceptional deal and they are very grateful.

I would like to add that I have taught a lot of Year 6 children in my time and they have shown the most incredible and wonderful qualities that I have not seen in any other children their age. Truly remarkable. Our sincere thanks and congratulations to our Year 6!



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The Year 6 provided the whole school and parents with the most memorable final assembly which included amongst other things, their favourite memories of Naburn CE Primary School, including what Naburn means to them, an audience participation game of 'Guess the Baby', a summary of their own individual hobbies and interests outside school, a Year 6 awards to other members of the school and them singing their alternative version of 'We don't talk about Bruno', called ... 'We don't talk about Naburn' – so clever!

Below is Tuira's most impressive contribution to the hobbies section. A piece of writing that she wrote specially for their assembly.

Imperfect Paradise

You're laying outside with birds all around you

Majestic tree tops far ahead.

You hear the gentle laughter of the stream and the soothing whisper of the trees.

The warmth of the sun has soaked right in.

Sleep is dancing in your eyes while the forest sings you its lullaby.

A chorus of larks glides smoothly above you – chirping out their enchanting song.

You seem to be in a perfect paradise.

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You forget your problems and think about the happy times.

You forget what you're **not** and focus on what you **are**.

You forget your failures and remember your successes.

Maybe your whole life can be paradise.

Maybe your mind just needs to refocus.

Maybe we can have our own imperfect paradise...

By Tuira, a **very** grateful leaver

Parents Meeting

Thank you again to all the parents that came along to the school update meeting on Wednesday evening. It was good to give you all quite a reassuring message about the school, its future and also receive input from Councillor Andrew Waller, Maxine Squire (Assistant Director of Education – CYC) and Derek Sutherland (Head of Effectiveness and Achievement – CYC). I do hope that those people who attended found it useful.

On the theme of positive news it was great to read the article in the Press about our end of Key Stage 2 SATS results. Please use the link provided to read it, if you have not already done so. Thank you

<https://www.yorkpress.co.uk/news/20283044.under-threat-naburn-primary-school-scores-best-grades-york/>

Isingpop concert

Last Friday's Isingpop concerts, held at St Matthew's Parish Church were an absolute triumph. What a gorgeous concert, full of joy, enthusiasm and with a beautiful Christian message. We all hope that those who attended the concerts enjoyed them. It was very clear that the children did!



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Online safety (Safeguarding)

We have added a post to the website in the e-safety tips, about staying safe online over the summer <https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/staying-safe-online-this-summer>

End of the school day in September

A brief reminder that starting in September, the end of the school day for both Acorn and Sycamore will be at 3.15pm. It will save you all getting wetter in January and bit more burnt from the sunshine in July, as well as have less time waiting around. Thank you

Ofsted Monitoring Visit update

At the time of writing we still have not received our Ofsted monitoring visit report. I have been in touch with the HMI who carried out the inspection and he has confirmed that it should be with us by next Wednesday. I am sorry for the delay and grateful to the Office who will get it to you as soon as it lands in the inbox.

Sprucing up the playground area

Unfortunately we had 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!

Attendance figures and Attendance Shop!

The attendance shop will open today. Congratulations and thank you to all those parents and families who have taken my message a month ago seriously and kept their children attending school with slightly snotty noses and tickly coughs. It is greatly appreciated by all the staff at school, it absolutely benefits teaching, learning, attainment and progress and it looks better as far as our attendance data is concerned.

Attendance figures

Weekly attendance data for this week is below.

- This week's School Attendance W/C 18.7.22 = 87.75% - Unauthorised absence = 7.5%
- Last week's School attendance = 93.75% - Unauthorised absence = 1.25%
- Whole School Attendance Sept to May = 88.76% - Unauthorised absence = 3.55%
- Whole School Attendance Term to date = 91.58% - Unauthorised absence = 4.33%

I hope that you all have a super holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back in September. Hopefully I will see most of you tonight at our end of year celebration party. It will be fun and thank you to the Friends of Naburn for organising it. I might have one celebratory lager shandy!

Best wishes



Jonathan Green
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