

Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School



2.12.22

Dear Parents,

Wow! All the 'busyness' of last week and focus on Ofsted might not have got us into any sort of Christmas cheer. However, we are now moving strongly towards Christmas and can't wait for all our festive events that you will read/hear more about in the newsletter.

If you prefer pictures to words, please use the link. <https://youtu.be/s3EosgOO1S8>

### **Mrs Rotchell**

We sent Mrs Rotchell our love and best wishes as she starts her maternity leave at a special assembly last Friday. Thank you to all the parents and relations who came along. Keep in touch Mrs R and we look forward to hearing from you very soon!



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## Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Jumper Day is Save the Children's annual event which raises money for children in the UK and across the world. Every December, millions of people across the United Kingdom (and beyond!) put on a festive outfit at their workplace, school or with friends and make a donation to help give children the magical future they deserve.

Christmas Jumper Day is on Thursday 8 December to be precise... and guess what, this year, the UK government's promised to give the same amount as you give. Every time we collect £2 for Save the Children, they give £2. So for the privilege of wearing a Christmas jumper next Thursday, please send your child into school with a small donation of anything up to a pound. Many thanks.

## Baubling



## Happy Baubling with the PTA

Thank you to the Friends of Naburn CE Primary School who helped us design and make Christmas baubles for our Christmas tree. They make our tree look absolutely wonderful.



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## KS1 Nativity - The First Christmas

It's our Reception and KS1 children's Nativity on Wednesday and Thursday next week. Mary and Joseph are visited by an awesome angel, and Joseph's joinery skills are second to none! We have a wonderful cast of stunning stars, amazing animals, skilful shepherds, narrators, and wise men. All the children have been using their best performance voices, including beautiful singing of a traditional Christmas hymn Silent Night and lots of cheerful songs to get you in the mood for Christmas. Mrs Burton said, "It is lovely and brought a tear to my eye." Bring tissues!

## Christmas Dinner

We can't wait for our school Christmas Dinner next Wednesday (7<sup>th</sup> December). We have a mouth-watering menu of Roast Turkey with pigs in blankets, or quorn roast fillet, roast potatoes, carrots and peas, with roasted gravy. Yummy! For pudding, the choice is either chocolate muffin, or a festive biscuit. Thank you to our cook Julie, who will be working even harder than usual to make the most gorgeous dinner.

## Riding Lights - Nearly the Goat

Our first Christmas event of the season was Riding Lights performing to the children a production called 'Nearly the Goat'. The Christmas story was told unusually, but very humorously through the eyes of a goat. It was full of laughs and festive cheer, as well as delivering the most important message to the children at this time of year.



## Millbridge Farm Meeting – 8.12.22

I am looking forward to my meeting with residents at Millbridge Farm next Thursday (8<sup>th</sup> December). It will start at 10am and I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible. Thank you to Vicky for agreeing to host the meeting.

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## Naburn Christmas Tree Lighting



We will be holding the annual Village Carols around the Christmas Tree this coming Sunday (4<sup>th</sup> December) at 6pm. This will be the first opportunity for us to come together for Christmas as a School and village and it is always a good way to begin the exciting Festive Season. Please do come down and join us. I have been assured that the pub will be showing the football straight after, so you will not miss a single pass, dribble, header, shot (or England goal) and your voices will be fully warmed up for the match. **'C'mon England!'**

## Open the Book

Open the Book led our worship on Wednesday telling the story of Gideon and the Midianites with some help from the children. An exciting story about having trust in God. Thank you to the Open the Book Team.



## Christingle Service

We are excited to announce that our Christingle Service will take place on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December** at St Matthew's Church, starting at 2pm.

Please can I remind you of a couple of things that you will need to be aware of as we move closer to this date.

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Firstly, please can you send an **orange** in for your child/ren on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December**. I am grateful to the PTA for offering to prepare these oranges on Tuesday afternoon of that week. I am sure that they would appreciate any extra help with this activity, if you can spare an hour.

The Christmas story will be told by the children through a combination of narration, readings, songs and movement before the children receive their Christingle orange. I am delighted to tell you that we have managed to get the Reverend Waller and Reverend Loftus to lead the address and the Blessing at the end.

It would be lovely to welcome all who can attend the service, so please do come along if you can.

#### Notice from Reverend Maxine Waller



#### Christmas Movie Night – Friends of Naburn CE Primary School

The Friends of Naburn CE Primary School will present 'The Grinch' at Movie Night on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 3.15pm. All year groups are welcome and offers for parental help at the event would be greatly appreciated. Pick up after is at 4.45pm. Please contact the Office for tickets. Popcorn and juice included.

#### Acorn Parent Dinner

Thank you to the parents who joined us for Parent Dinner on Thursday.



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## TTRockstars! Message from Mrs Mann

Here are the results for the last 3 battles in school...

Battling Groups	Winners
Whole School	Year 5
Year 3 v Year 4	Year 3
Year 5 v Year 6	Year 6
Year 2 v Year 3	Ongoing

## Friends of Naburn News

Tickets for the annual Christmas raffle are now on sale and we've managed to secure some great prizes from some very generous places in York. More information on these will be coming soon. To go with these, we're asking for you to boost the prizes on offer by donating something for the raffle please. We would welcome things like bottles, chocolates, posh biccies, chutneys, small gift sets. Anything big or small would be very much appreciated.

Don't forget, we have our delicious Christmas puddings available. These come in three scrumptious flavours, ultimate plum pudding, sticky toffee pudding and luscious lemon, at £7 each. These are a perfect desert for the big day or would be a lovely gift. If you would like one, or two, please complete the slip at the back of the newsletter and hand into the school office with payment please. Remember, these aren't just any Christmas puddings, they're Naburn puddings!!

As always, please get in touch if you would like to help or be part of the PTA. We're only a small group and have some fantastic ideas we'd love to bring to the school.

## Sycamore Class Assembly



Sycamore Class presented their term's class assembly yesterday at the Village Hall to the rest of the school and parents and relations. They gave us a very thorough and detailed account of all the learning they have done along with the enjoyment they got from their topic work on Ancient Greece, their whole class reading books, their enthusiasm for learning Spanish and all they have achieved in computing. Well done Sycamore Class and thank you to Miss Brett for all her work organising and preparing for this event.

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### **Christmas Community Afternoon – 12.12.21**

We are heading towards Christmas rapidly and the Christmas Community Afternoon is on the events horizon.

One of the main purposes of the event is to attract those members of our village that do not necessarily have a direct link with the school. I am not sure how popular this occasion will be and have no means of finding out until the day. Wrapped up in this delightful uncertainty, is the need to prepare. With this in mind, please may I ask for your assistance?

Firstly, we would be most grateful for parents/adult volunteers to serve tea, coffee and cakes to our guests on the afternoon. Volunteers will also be royally entertained along with our guests!

Secondly, we would really appreciate prize donations for the raffle. Nothing too big. A can, bar or a bottle would be great as ideally we would like one small prize per guest. I tend to rig the competition!

The actual afternoon will include a quiz, a raffle, refreshments and a variety of performances led by the children.

### **Parent/Headteacher Meetings – Autumn Term 2022**

Parent/Headteacher meetings are opportunities for you to make an appointment to talk about any school related matters that you might want more information about, or any topics which you would like to bring to my attention.

The individual meetings will take place on a Monday and begin at 4.30pm and finish at 6pm. I will set them out in fifteen minute sessions.

If you would like to make an appointment, please call the school office. I will make a note of these and get back to you with a time for you to come into school.

Please note the final meeting date for the Autumn Term below.

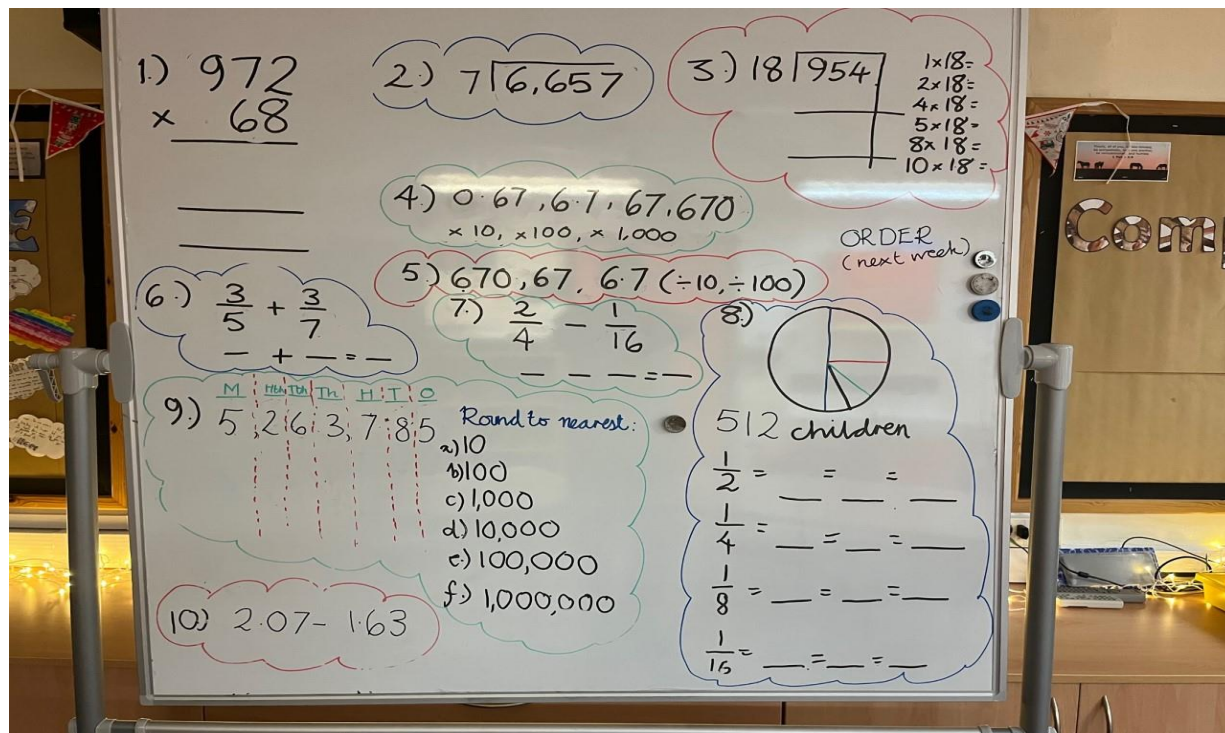
Meeting Date	Time
5 <sup>th</sup> December	4.30pm to 6pm

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Ave' a go!



### Online Safety

Most social platforms have a minimum age of 13 years old to be able to sign up, and others specify a (sometimes much!) higher age, but research shows that many young people get accounts before they are old enough. Families should check the age rating of apps to make sure their children aren't using unsuitable platforms and don't forget that the ages given are a **minimum**; you know your child best, and you might decide that they need to be a little bit older before it's suitable for them. And hopefully the #WakeUpWednesday information about mental health will be useful to families, whether for their primary aged children, older sibling or indeed for themselves! <https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/e-safety-quick-read-social-media-mental-health>

### Attendance figures

Weekly attendance data for this week is below.

- This week's School Attendance W/C 28.11.22 = 79.24% - Unauthorised absence = 2.39%
- Last week's School attendance = 90.59% - Unauthorised absence = 0.79%
- Whole School Attendance Autumn Term to date = 89.44% - Unauthorised absence = 2.16%

**WE NEED EVERY CHILD IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY AND IF THEY ARE NOT IN OUR SCHOOL THEY SHOULD BE ATTENDING ANOTHER.**

### Picture News

**Story:** This year, the BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) marks 100 years of broadcasting. Lord John Reith, the BBC's first boss said the BBC should 'inform, educate, entertain'.

**Question:** Are television channels as important as they once were?

**Virtual Picture News:** Found here: [www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss](http://www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss)

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We all hope that you have a lovely weekend. **C'mon England! UNS!**

Best wishes



Jonathan Green  
Headteacher

### ***Safeguarding***

If you have significant concerns for the welfare of a child, in addition to being able to contact Mr Green, Mrs Atkinson or Mrs Coultas during school hours, you may wish to make direct contact with the [York MASH \(Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub\)](#) on T: 01904 551900, option 3. They operate an out-of-hours service so concerns can be raised with them at any time.

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### **PTA Christmas Puddings Order Form**

If you would like to order one of our Christmas puddings, please note how many you would like next to the flavour and complete your details below. Payments to be given in cash, when returning the below order form.

Ultimate Plum Pudding \_\_\_\_

Luscious Lemon Pudding \_\_\_\_

Sticky Toffee Pudding \_\_\_\_

Name of child and Year \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian \_\_\_\_\_

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