



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School



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Dear Parents,

Thank you so much for all that you have contributed to the school along with your support over the first part of the Spring Term. It has been a busy one and one that we can look back on fondly. It has provided us with the publication of a very encouraging Ofsted interim report, along with so many exciting moments, all recorded in my weekly newsletters, ranging from inter school football fixtures, to discos, Young Voices to very special guests leading assemblies and lessons. We haven't finished yet with our Valentine Disco tonight and the visit to Sheffield Utd tomorrow. More of the same to look forward to in the second half of the term. If you prefer pictures to writing, please use this link. Thank you <https://youtu.be/5c8hsISOEM0>

Young Voices

Sycamore Class had the most brilliant 'Young Voices' experience yesterday in Sheffield. I will give a more detailed account of this event in my first newsletter after half term. Thank you to the staff team that took them and worked with them over the term. Particular thanks to Miss Brett.



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Parking at 'Drop Off' and 'Pick Up'

Quick request – please can I ask you **not to park** on the **Double and Single Yellow Lines** or **opposite the school Bus Stop** when dropping your children off at school and picking them up from school. Also, please note that if a member of staff asks you to move your vehicle that they are doing it for the right reasons and helping to ensure all the children are safe. Thank you

Class Assemblies – Acorn 16th March/Sycamore 23rd March

We have planned termly class assemblies to take place in March. You are invited to attend these very special events at the Village Hall. Acorn will present on Thursday 16th March and Sycamore a week later on 23rd. The start time for both will be 2.30pm.

Monday School Uniform Bonanza

We had so much unclaimed uniform, that it took a couple of hours to set it all out for you all to look at. Good job the weather was sunny and mild! Thank you to everyone who helped with that job and thank you to everyone who came to take a look and picked up some uniform.



Open the Book

The Open the Book Team came into school on Wednesday and performed the Old Testament story of Adam and Eve. Thank you to Open the Book and we are really looking forward to the next chapter - I think might be **The Flood!** That has potential to be even more exciting than normal, but hopefully not wetter!



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Sheffield Utd v Swansea City

A reminder that the coach will be leaving school at 11.30am on Saturday morning for another of our wonderful adventures to beautiful Downtown Bramall Lane to see the Sheffield Utd football match against Swansea. This will give us plenty of time for the traditional visit to the Club Shop prior to kick off, plus pie with Hendo's sauce and a beer (if parents are keen). **UNS and UTB!**

Children's Mental Health Week – message to parents

Sycamore Class have been involved in Children's Mental Health week. The week is run by children's mental health charity Place2Be to raise awareness of the importance of children and young people's mental health. This year's theme is **Let's Connect**. I have added this link you can use which gives tips as to how you can best support your child at home.

https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/media/wlwnqsgx/cmhw2023_parents-carerstips.pdf

Attendance Officer – Meeting (Wednesday 1st March – 2.30pm to 3.15pm)

We are in the process of updating our Attendance Policy and it would be good to introduce you to this document with the support of the Local Authority Attendance Officer. This will take place on Wednesday 1st March at 2.30pm and finish in time for pick up. Refreshments will be served to hopefully help attract more of you to 'attend' the meeting. You know and understand the significance of attendance and how this benefits learning, so I cannot over emphasise the importance of coming along. Thank you

PE – Message from Total Sports

This week's focus in PE on Friday has been **Reaction Time**. As part of our Health related fitness topic we have been looking at different elements of sport in greater depth to help develop our understanding of how each aspect relates to sport specific skills. During our KS2 reaction time lessons we tested our sharpness in catching and reacting to different types of balls and objects. This included: the double tennis ball drop, a spin and react activity, the rugby ball bounce drill and a head it/catch it challenge.

KS1 tested their reaction time with a freeze, bounce, catch drill as well as dodging and catching activities.

Comic Relief – 17.3.23

Comic Relief Day will take place on **Friday 17th March** and once again we will have a very own Naburn CE Primary School Red Nose Day Football Tournament. You will have received a letter at the beginning of this week with more details. It would be ideal if every child was part of this exciting event, so please can I ask that you send the consent slip back to the School Office as soon as possible.



Warm Hubs

Naburn Village Hall, Vicarage Lane, Naburn

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Come along for a Free Tea or Coffee

The Naburn Village Hall Trust is trying to set up a Warm Hub to provide a safe and welcoming place to socialise and connect with friends and neighbours in Naburn and would like to know what you think about the idea!

Naburn's warm hub would be open to all members of the community, regardless of age or background. We welcome everyone with open arms and are committed to creating a safe and inclusive space for all.

We welcome your ideas and are arranging a Drop-in session at the Hall on Thursday, the 16th of February, from 10 am until 12 midday to discuss the idea and get your thoughts. Please come along, and tell us what we should include, for instance - Tea & Coffee and Hot Soup, Friendly conversation, companionship, computer access, games, reading materials, and interesting talks. We can have a Warm Hub twice a week on Wednesday and Thursday if there is a demand for it.

Don't let the cold weather keep you from connecting with others. Come and visit us at Naburn's warm hub and see for yourself how much a little bit of warmth and companionship can do for your well-being.

Stay warm and connected this winter with our warm hub.

SleepOut for LandAid

I've crazily signed up with a group of friends for my first ever **SleepOut for LandAid on 2nd March**.

LandAid are the property industry charity aiming to end youth homelessness.

If you are able to make a donation of any size, it will be massively appreciated by our group and more importantly, the young people who have to sleep outdoors every night. Please follow the link to our team fundraising page: <https://join.landaid.org/fundraisers/YorkieSleepers>

Your help is **warmly** appreciated

World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March

World Book Day will be here very soon and we are beginning to plan for this event. We are looking into the idea of 'Booknic' as a possible activity.

The general gist is the children bring in their favourite book to school. At lunch time they have grab bags and are put into small groups. Whilst they have lunch they take it in turns to talk about their favourite book i.e. what it's about, why they like it, and then read a small part of it. There will be one adult with each group who might also read a section, depending on what the book is and the children's reading ability.

It would be great to get parents involved in this as well, so if you can spare an hour or two on 2nd March, please get in touch with me or the School Office. Thank you

I am also excited to tell you that Nyla and Phoenix's mum has agreed to come into school on the day as well! She is a brilliant author and I know that she will totally inspire the children.

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Message from the PTA (Friends of Naburn CE Primary School)

Our special Selfridge Hamper, donated to school by Vicky Durant was won by Andrew Atkinson. I am delighted to tell you that the PTA raised £238. Thank you to Vicky for her generosity and to the Friends Committee for organising raffle and to everyone who bought tickets.

Just a reminder that letters are with you, asking for support with the St Crux event. This is a fantastic fundraiser for the school, but is only possible if our community comes together and everyone gets involved in some way. We'll be asking for donations of good quality, pre-loved items, as well as home-baked goods and groceries. It's a perfect opportunity to alleviate yourself of any unwanted Christmas presents. Please look out for the letter and help in anyway you can. Also, if you are able to help on the day (Saturday 11 March, 8am – 4pm) please let the school office know, even if this would be just for an hour or so.

Your support and time given to our events is hugely appreciated. It helps us to raise extra funds for the school, which contributes to our children having the best school experiences they can.

We are looking forward to tonight's Valentine Disco. I will write a report with photographs about this after half term. Thank you to the Friends Committee for organising this event.

MTC Meeting for Parents

All the Year 4 children will be taking the statutory Maths Tables Check this year in June. I have arranged a meeting for parents and carers of children in this year group to help them understand what this will involve and how they might best support their child at home leading up to this time. This will take place on **Wednesday 22nd February**, starting at 3.30pm. Please make every effort to attend.

Parent/Headteacher Meetings – Spring Term 2023

I will be holding meetings for parents. These 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 dates for these meetings below

Headteacher/Parent Meeting Dates

Meeting Date	Time
20 th February	4.30pm to 6pm
13 th March	4.30pm to 6pm
27 th March	4.30pm to 6pm

After School Club

If you use After School Club, please remember that it closes at 6pm prompt. We have had a couple of late pick-ups recently and we don't want this to become a habit. Thank you

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TTRockstars!

Congratulations to the Year 6 for winning this week's Rockstar Battle! Whole School Battle next week. Let's get everyone involved!

Date	Year groups involved	Winners!
06/01/23 – 12/01/23	Year 5 / Year 6	Year 5
20/01/23 – 26/01/23	Year 3 / Year 4	Year 3
27/01/23 – 02/02/23	Year 1 / Year 2	Year 2
03/02/23 – 09/02/23	Year 4 / Year 6	Year 6
10/02/23 – 16/02/23	WHOLE SCHOOL BATTLE	

House Winners and Stars of the Week!

Well done to **Hope** for being House attendance champs. Unfortunately we did not collect House Points, so we will have a 'knock on' week! Congratulations to all our Stars for the positive contributions they have made to our school and our 100% attendance award winner, Felicia.



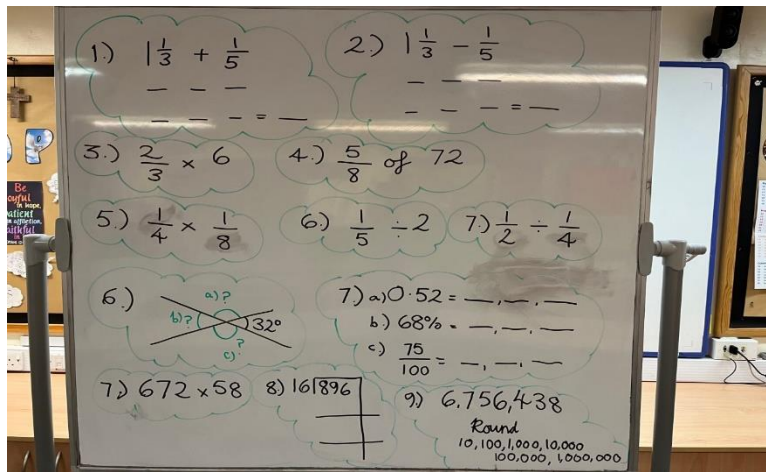
Ave' a go!

Can you complete our 'Ave a Go' Maths Board?

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Attendance figures

Weekly attendance data is below.

- This week's School Attendance W/C 27/01/23 = 77.93 % - Unauthorised absence = 0.00%
- Last week's School attendance = 77.43% - Unauthorised absence = 4.67%
- Whole School Attendance School Year to date = 84.76% - Unauthorised absence = 2.17%

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

Picture News

I think Picture News are on their half term break.

E Safety section for Parents – Healthy amounts of Gaming

We have added a post here <https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/e-safety-quick-read-positive-outcomes-gaming> with this week's #WakeUpWednesday guide. See the paragraph below for details.

"We have probably all read, heard or worried about the possible negative effects of gaming on young people's mental health, when the compulsion to play begins to interfere with regular activities like homework, exercise or socialising. In recent years however, there's been a groundswell of research making a contrasting point – that safe, healthy amounts of gaming can actually help to **improve** mental wellbeing! A study carried out by Oxford University in 2021 found that moderate amounts of time playing family-friendly games led to respondents reporting an improved sense of mental wellbeing. This week's guide from National Online Safety has ten tips for trusted adults on how safe, healthy gaming can offer more than just an enjoyable leisure activity for children."

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and a great half term. **UNS and UTB!**

Best wishes

Jonathan Green
Headteacher

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Safeguarding

If you have significant concerns for the welfare of a child, in addition to being able to contact Mr Green, Mrs Burton or Mrs Noble 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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