



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School



24.2.23

Dear Parents,

I hope that you managed to get some good half term family time last week. I start the newsletter with news about a couple of events that happened on the first weekend of the holiday.

If you prefer pictures to writing, please use this link <https://youtu.be/uvptla91TsU>. Thank you

#### **The Valentine Disco – Message from the PTA**

Glow sticks were snapped into action, as the children cut some (love heart) shapes at the Valentines Disco. Our amazing DJ played all their requests and we were treated to not one, not two but three amazing performances from the one and only Jasper, a true star in the making! Huge thank yous from the Friends of Naburn to everyone that came and enjoyed the event, as well as to all the amazing parents that helped. We couldn't do these fab things without you guys!

Look out for news about more exciting events for this term, coming soon!



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### Dinners and ASC

We will be putting the cost of school dinners up to £3.00 after Easter. We already heavily subsidise these prices, but we now find ourselves with no option but to increase the charge. We hope that you will understand the reasons which are down to the increased costs of absolutely everything that takes place to enable us to get food on the table in school for our children.

We will also be increasing our charge for After School Club which will go up by 10% per session after the Easter holidays. The price for sessions for ASC had remained the same for five years.

### Bramall Lane Adventure

We enjoyed another thrilling football match between Sheffield Utd and Swansea City. The Blades won three nil and the whole football experience was appreciated by children and the Mums and Dads who came along.

We set off early from school to get to **The Lane** by 12.30pm. We had pre-match fish and chips on Shoreham Street and made our way to welcome the players to the ground as well as a trip to the Club Shop in the South Stand. Then it was into the John Street Stand for some liquid refreshments before taking our seats for the game. It was a packed stadium and the atmosphere was superb. See the pictures below. **UTB** and **UNS!**

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### **School will remain open on 28<sup>th</sup> February**

Quick message to tell you that the school will remain fully open on the next planned industrial action day (28<sup>th</sup> February).

### **Wild Water Christmas Swim Money – Thanks**

You will be pleased to hear that we have ordered and received books using approximately half of the £725 donated to school from the New Year's Day wild swim at the Fletcher Moody's family pond/lake. We are looking at spending the remaining money on other resources that will benefit the children with their writing and reading. Thank you again to the Fletcher Moody Family.

### **Football Match v Huntington Primary**

We were straight back to exciting extra-curricular events with a football match against Huntington Primary School on Monday. It is great to see our team competing so well against much bigger schools than ours and enjoying the thrill of inter-school sport. Congratulations Team Naburn and thank you to the family members who supported and transported.

I enjoyed the match so much that I forgot to take any photographs of the game itself and only remembered at the end when most of the team had left. Anyway here are two of our football team heroes with our fabulous football coach, Mr Stokell.

The next fixture is on next Friday (3<sup>rd</sup> March) away against Lakeside Primary. Good luck to our team!



### **The Ducks are back!**

We will be receiving another batch of duck eggs on Monday ready to hatch over the course of next week. Keep an eye on the School Twitter site. There will be so many lovely photographs!

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## KS1 and Phonics Meeting

There will be two meetings led by Mrs Burton on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March. The first one will cover the work we do in school on Phonics and will start straight after school. All parents and carers are welcome to attend this. The second is for Year 2 parents and will focus on KS1 assessments and tests and will begin at 4.30pm.

## Book Bags!

Please ensure that your children do not use their book bags for carrying their water bottles. We have had a number of accidents that have resulted in leaks that have ruined new school books! Thank you

## Open Day! Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March

We will be holding a School Open Day on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March. All parents and carers are welcome and anyone else you know who you think might be interested. Our doors are wide open for all and we look forward to seeing everyone over the course of the day.

## Parent/Teacher Interviews

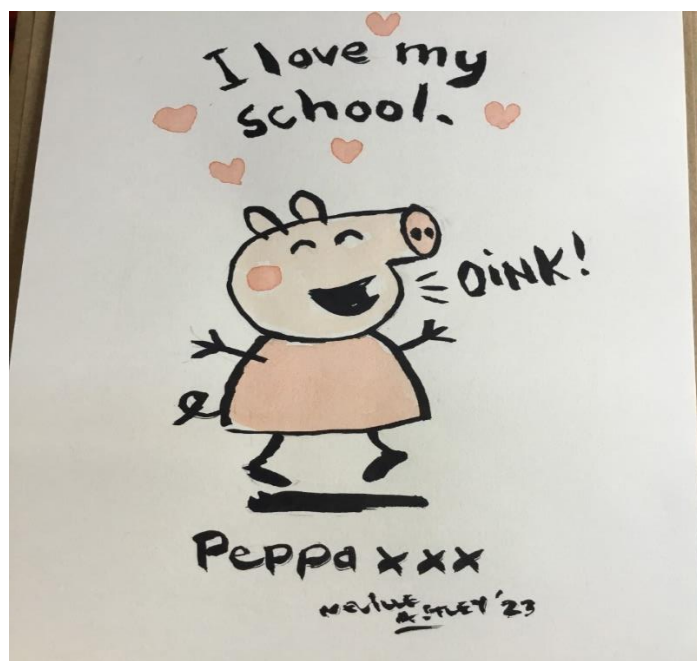
Quick reminder that Parent/Teacher Interviews will be taking place next week. You will all have received letters with details and should have returned a slip to school to book an appointment. Your child's Classteacher will have given you a date and a time for the meeting. We do work on the principle that we will see every parent during this week and would prefer not to be chasing you down.



## Peppa Pig Picture

Did you know that the creator of Peppa Pig is Neville Astley and he is originally from York and he knows Hattie's Grandma? Did you also know that he is such a lovely man who has created the picture below especially for our school to auction. More details to follow, but in the meantime, many thanks to Neville for doing this for us. We are very grateful!

A little claim to fame for me is that my brother went to York Art College with him.



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## Open the Book

As predicted in my previous newsletter we had 'The Flood' and we all really enjoyed it!

Thank you again to the Open the Book Team for providing such an exciting and engaging version of Noah's Ark.



### Attendance Officer – Meeting - Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Postponed

Our attendance meeting, scheduled to take place next Wednesday has been postponed. All being well, we will reschedule to take place before Easter.

### Donations please for Sierra Leone – clothes and toys

Jess Land is an ex-pupil of Naburn CE Primary School. She has started doing annual charity work in Sierra Leone and is visiting again at Easter. She will also come and speak to the children about her work on 6<sup>th</sup> March. Please read her message below.

Please could you help? At Easter I am going to Sierra Leone, for the second time, to volunteer at charity called Home Leone – see below. I am able to take two suitcases and would love to fill them with (clean) clothes and (light) toys for the children I will help. I will run an Easter Holiday Club in the primary school which is in the village that Home Leone supports (see photo below).

Things I can take (they don't have to be new, just clean and usable please)

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Footballs (deflated)	Toys (no batteries) e.g. dolls, small soft toys	Clothes e.g. T-shirts, shorts, sun hats / caps, cotton scarves	Rucksacks and large suitcases
Other balls e.g. tennis	Toys cars	Picture books	Re-usable nappies / sanitary products
Football boots, clothes, trainers and normal shoes	Colouring books, felt tips, pencils, crayons, sharpeners	Reading / distance glasses	Haribo / jelly sweets

Sierra Leone, the eighth poorest country in the world, is on the West coast of Africa. It has a tough history from historical slavery, to modern catastrophes that go (mostly) unheard of, such as the bitter and brutal war in the 1990s. I will visit Destiny Village, about an hour from the capital Freetown. Home Leone is a fantastic charity that provides slum clearance, education and is creating a new community for people in need.



All donations are really appreciated and will go to the children and families in Destiny Village, and a number of other children's homes and schools that we will visit.

### PE – Message from Total Sports

This week in Friday PE we drew an end to our Health related fitness topic. Using the skills we had covered throughout the term, we combined the use of Balance, Coordination, Speed, Power, Agility and Reaction time in a game of Hectic. The game requires the class to split into four teams and compete in a range of activities to see who comes out on top. A very competitive contest in the KS2 made for an excellent collection of skills and great end to the topic.

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The KS1 class were very, very impressive. They showed just how well they'd engaged in the skills they'd been practicing throughout the term and played the game perfectly! They should all be very proud of their progress.

### **Comic Relief – 17.3.23**

Comic Relief Day will take place on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> 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 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.

### **SleepOut for LandAid**

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

World Book Day is next week!

We ask that all 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. For this, we will need extra parents to sit and read with groups of children. If you are free and are willing to do this, please speak to me at the school gate, or get in touch with the Office. The event would also benefit from picnic blankets for the children to sit on. Please also get in touch if you can supply one. 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.

Please note that it is a non-uniform day. Children may choose what to wear which may include coming to school dressed as their favourite book character

### **St Crux**

Just a reminder that we are 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. 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.

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## 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 <sup>th</sup> February	4.30pm to 6pm
13 <sup>th</sup> March	4.30pm to 6pm
27 <sup>th</sup> March	4.30pm to 6pm

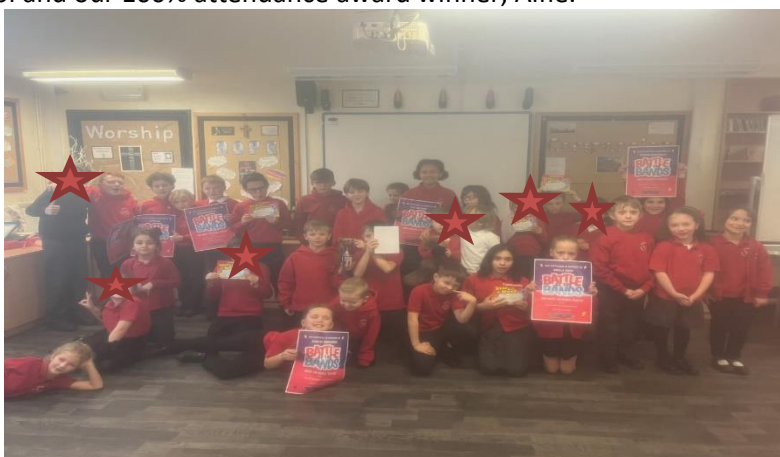
### TTRockstars!

Congratulations to the Year 6 for the whole school holiday Rockstar Battle!

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	Year 6

### House Winners and Stars of the Week!

Well done to **Community** for being House attendance champs. Overall House winners were **Perseverance** – Good work! Congratulations to all our Stars for the positive contributions they have made to our school and our 100% attendance award winner, Alfie.



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## Spotify

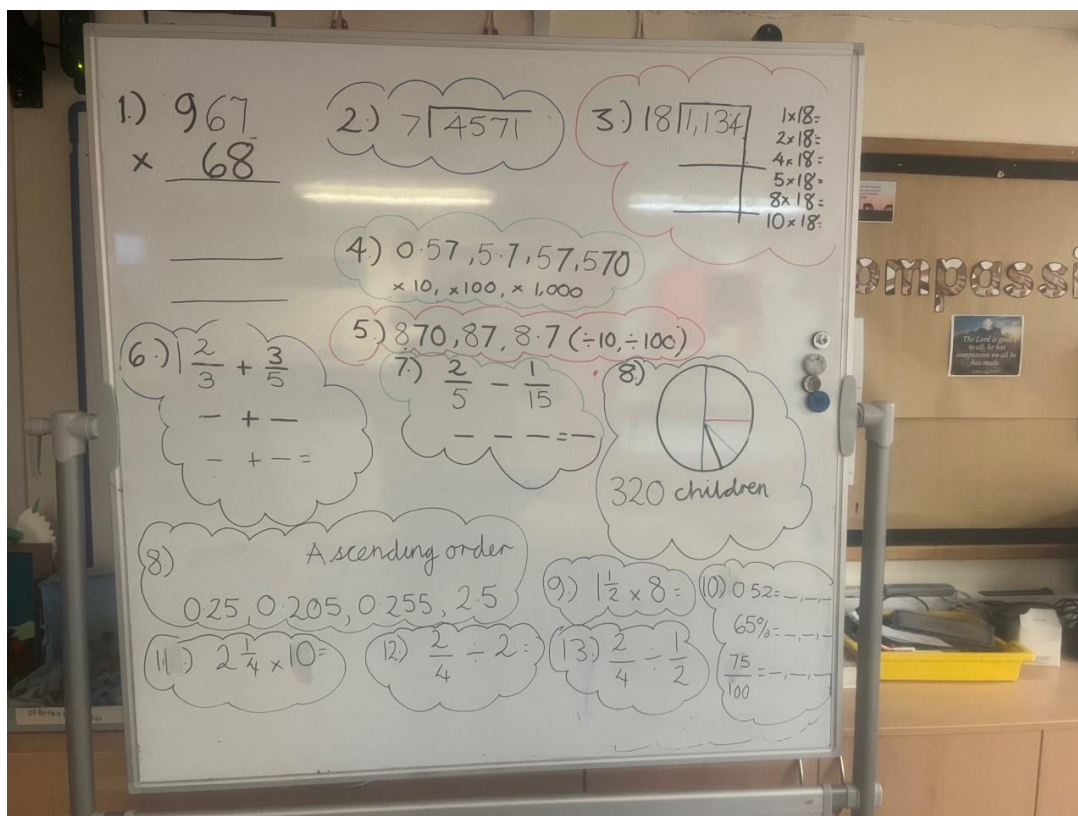
Recently, Spotify has seen increasing success with its vast collection of podcasts – spanning topics such as comedy, sport, politics, lifestyle and health. However, over half (55%) of Spotify's audience are in the 18–35 age bracket and some of these shows – and the frank manner in which certain issues are discussed – are very definitely not for younger ears!

Part of Spotify's appeal is that it allows people to discover musical artists or podcasts that they wouldn't necessarily have gone looking for. At the same time that creates a risk, however, that children can easily happen across more adult content by chance. This week's #WakeUpWednesday guide can help you avoid this potential pitfall – and others.

<https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/e-safety-quick-read-spotify>

## Ave' a go!

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



## Attendance figures

Weekly attendance data is below.

- This week's School Attendance W/C 27/01/23 = 83.89 % - Unauthorised absence = 1.26%
- Last week's School attendance = 77.93% - Unauthorised absence = 0.00%
- Whole School Attendance School Year to date = 86.13% - Unauthorised absence = 2.09%

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### **Picture News**

**Story:** Long-term bike hire schemes are on the rise, with companies such as Swapfiets and Zyggy gaining popularity in Europe and Canada, offering rental options for both e-bikes and standard bikes.

**Question:** Should everyone have access to a mode of transport?

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

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

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 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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