



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School



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Dear Parents,

Such an exciting end of term with so much happening. Easter Egg Competition, The Easter Egg Hunt and the Church Service, but the icing on the cake, along with the cherry ON TOP, was getting the news that TEAL would sponsor us to become part of their Multi-Academy Trust. You will have received my letter expressing my gratitude to you for your loyalty, patience and understanding, earlier in the week. This would not have happened without your incredible support and the school has a more solid and predictable future as a consequence. Please use this link to the newspaper report in The Press <https://www.yorkpress.co.uk/news/23414463.naburn-ce-school-saved-closure-education-alliance/>

If you prefer film to words for this newsletter, please use the link: <https://youtu.be/2rLKWK1giRM>



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Easter Service

Thank you to everyone that attended our Easter Service on Thursday. The children told the whole of the story from start to finish mainly in verse. They also wrote their own creative poems, imagining that they were a significant inanimate object from the week, such as the cross or the crown of thorns. It was really powerful and emotive and a delight to experience. They also sang wonderfully and we all particularly enjoyed Acorn Class' rendition of 'Spring Chicken'.

Thank you to Reverend Francis for leading the address and the Blessing, Matthew Horne for playing the organ and Jean Dale for making the Church feel so warm, despite the lack of central heating.



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Attendance Policy Meeting for parents – 2.30pm (SKL and JG)

We now have a firm date for us to introduce our new Attendance Policy to you. This will take place on Thursday 11th May at 2.30pm. More details after the Easter Holiday.

Red, White and Blue Tea Party for the Coronation

We are planning to hold a King Charles III Coronation Tea Party on the afternoon of Friday 5th May. It will be very similar to the Queen's Jubilee party that we held last year and we will do our best to invite all the village. Please make everyone aware in Naburn. We will need help with baking and buying cakes and refreshments as well as help on the day serving and supplying. More details after the Easter Holiday.

PE - Message from Mr Benford

This week for PE, we had a bit of a treat. After 6 weeks of hard work dedicated to tag rugby, we let our hair down and enjoyed some games! Despite the weather all the children had a great day. Sycamore class threw themselves (quite literally) into some dodgeball, and some of the dodges made were spectacular! Acorn class got to play some Octopus tig, dodging and weaving each other, along with some spiderman tig too!

PE – Message from Mr Stokell

This week in PE we concluded our Outdoor Adventure Activity topic. Both classes competed in the same activity, and really impressed me with their excellent team work and outstanding behaviour in an orienteering activity that took place across the whole village hall site.

Sycamore class worked in pairs, whereas Acorn worked in teams of eight. Each team was presented with a map of the village hall. On the map were thirteen different locations, each marked out with a number. The children had to navigate their way to each location using the map and record the letter pinned to a cone at each location. Once each team had all thirteen letters it was a race to see who could un-scramble the anagram to complete the sentence.

The rain came down during Acorn's lesson but they were unfazed, completing the task in magnificent fashion and all of them managing to complete the anagram! A great way to bring the topic to an end.

PTA Easter Egg Hunt!

Thank you to the PTA for arranging such a brilliant Easter Egg Hunt for the children on Wednesday.

The initial challenge was to follow the rabbit footprints that the PTA had laid out for us to follow to the Forest School site. Once there, the children were divided into House Teams and given half an Egg. The idea was that they had to go in search of the other half of the egg in a relay race. First team back with all their Easter eggs intact were the winners!

In the end, every team was a winner as **every child received an Easter Egg!** Yummy and thank you to the Friends.

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Thank you also to Nick Lee for allowing us to use the field and also reuniting us with the ducks that we helped to rear earlier in the term.



Revised date for Sycamore Class Assembly

Please note that Sycamore Class Assembly will now take place on **Thursday 20th April at 2.40pm.**

N.E.S.T (Naburn Environment Solutions Team)

N.E.S.T would like to focus on encouraging children to bring their drink to school in a re-usable container. They will be introducing this project after Easter with a count up of 'drink container' habits, using this as a benchmark and then comparing this figure with one taken at the end of term. Over this period, children will be encouraged by N.E.S.T to use the more eco- friendly choice and we will hopefully see a very positive final figure come July.

Y6 SATs Meeting for Parents – 19.4.23

I will be attempting for a final time, to hold a meeting for parents of Year 6 children who will be taking their end of KS2 Tests in May. Please do come along. It will start straight after school on Wednesday 19th April and will last approximately 45 minutes. Thank you

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Parking

Please **do not park on the yellow lines** outside school during the school day and definitely not at 'pick up' and 'drop off' time. I will continue to patrol the area to make sure that families can cross the road without any vehicles obstructing their vision. Thank you

Millbridge Farm residents meeting

Thank you to all the Millbridge Farm residents for inviting me to meet with you at Vicky's house. I do hope that you found it useful. I will continue to arrange these on a half termly basis with the next scheduled for Friday 19th May at 10am.

Vicky has said that we can put a school noticeboard up for you to able to refer to and we will hopefully get on with sorting this out for the new term. Thank you Vicky.

Questionnaires

We will be sending out the Parent School Questionnaire to you after Easter. Please keep a look out for them and complete them as quickly as possible when they do come through. Thank you

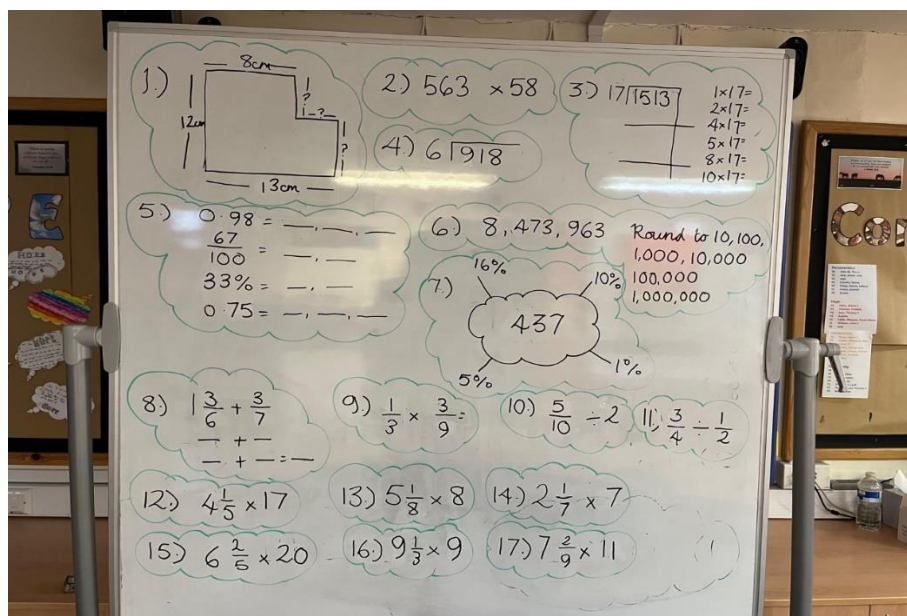
ASC and Dinner Prices

As mentioned in an earlier newsletter, please remember that the charge for attending After School Club will go up to **£11.00** after Easter and school dinners will go up to **£3.00** a meal.

House Winners and Stars of the Week!

Well done to **Community** for being House attendance champs again. Overall House winners were **Community** and **Perseverance**— Good work! Congratulations to all our Stars for the positive contributions they have made to our school and our 100% attendance award winner, **Larry**. Our end of term '**Most Improved Attendance award**' went to **Jack**.

Ave a go!



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ESafety Section

According to recent figures, a third of 5 to 7-year-olds in the UK have at least one social media profile; more than two thirds of 8 to 11-year-olds play games online; and a whopping 97% of 12 to 15-year-olds use messaging apps or sites! Digital devices are an increasingly integral part of how today's young people live their lives. There are many positive aspects to this, of course, but it is also true that the lure of screens and the frequently brutal law of the online jungle can create a huge amount of additional stress for youngsters. This week's #WakeUpWednesday guide has some practical advice on how parents and carers can help their child to manage the pressures of their online lives. <https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/e-safety-quick-read-managing-device-stress-anxiety>

Attendance figures

Weekly attendance data is below.

- This week's School Attendance W/C 27/02/23 = 84.60% - Unauthorised absence = 3.38%
- Last week's School attendance = 94.88% - Unauthorised absence = 2.79%
- Whole School Attendance School Year to date = 87.70% - 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.

Happy Easter. **UNS and UTB!**

Easter display created by Julie, our wonderful cook.



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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