

Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School



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Dear Parents,

This will be a bumper newsletter that will cover approximately one and a half weeks of Naburn CE Primary School news and where better place to start than at **The Press Community Pride Awards 2023** that were held at the Race Course last Thursday.

Elvington CE Primary School and York High School were the other school finalists in this category and we were the **WINNERS!** See the trophy above.

The best part of the evening was being able to celebrate this success with so many people from school in a real party-like atmosphere.

It's essential to acknowledge a number of people who I believe have been instrumental in our success, which has culminated in this award and recognised by others outside our community. It is also important to understand that we are still working hard to be in an even stronger position and will never give up.

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Thank you to our **Village Community**, you as **Parents**, the **PTA** and our **Governors**. These groups of people have stood by us, recognising how important Naburn CE Primary School is to where they live. A village is lost without a school at its heart and that is why it is so important to fight tooth and nail for it.

I am incredibly grateful to <u>all the staff</u>. Each one has given so much to the improvement of the school, no matter what role they perform, whether they are still with us or not.

Finally to **all the children** who have attended Naburn CE Primary School over the last two years. You have been loyal, trusting and patient. You have got us through a very difficult period with your happy smiles, hard work and great sense of humour. You are the main reason that we cannot give up, so that more and more children from Naburn may continue to enjoy attending **our** gorgeous school. Thank you



### **School Open Day**

It was great to see and welcome so many people to our Open Day on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September along with rabbits, donkeys, lamas and pigs! The main aim was to get people and children to look round the school along with enjoying a day out in Naburn that included food, fun, a cricket match and a travelling farmyard.

Thank you to TEAL for allowing us the funds to hold this event and also helping us with the food arrangements. Thank you also to the many people who helped out preparing for the day and those who came along on the day to lend a hand.

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You will be pleased to know that we showed over twenty new families round school and that I already have two new families taking me up on my offer of a further tour when the children are in school.



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### Mrs Mann

We held our very special goodbye assembly for Mrs Mann last Thursday. She has been the most wonderfully committed and conscientious teacher and we will all miss her enormously. I know that you will join me in sending her our very best wishes as she begins her new job.



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#### **York Food Festival**

Sycamore class thoroughly enjoyed attending the York Food Festival last week. They got totally stuck into the activities as you might imagine, making chocolate lollipops and some delicious ravioli. They tested both and there was no leftovers. Yummy!



#### **Open the Book**

Open the Book performed the story of King Solomon and the two mothers. A fantastic Bible story that showed how wise King Solomon was, although we were a bit anxious towards the end!



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### Walk to School Week – 23rd to 27th October

Please note that Walk to School Week begins on Monday October 23<sup>rd</sup> and runs until the end of that week. Please make every effort to make an active journey to school that will include dropping your children off **safely** out of my sight at the school gate!

### **Children in Need Talent Show**

I am excited to announce that we will be again holding our very own Naburn CE Primary School 'Children in Need' Talent Show. This will take place on the morning of Friday 17th November and will begin at 9.15am in the Village Hall.

For the fun of either taking part, or being part of the audience, please will children bring a pound coin on that day which will go in our Children in Need Collection Bucket and then be sent off to this very worthy cause! Parents and carers are also invited.

Do please encourage your child to take part. They might like to play an instrument, sing a song, tell jokes or dance. They might also be quite talented at something else that they would like to perform in front of our encouraging audience. More details to follow nearer the date.

### **Harvest Festival**

Our School Harvest Festival which will take place at St Matthew's Church on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October. This is a joint service with the church again and will start at 2pm. The retiring collection will be split between church funds and Martin House Hospice.

Our harvest gifts will go to the homeless charities in York as usual and your generous contributions in this regard will be gratefully received. Items suitable for breakfasts such as cereals, porridge, fruit juice, tea, coffee and fruit will go to **Carecent** who serve breakfast to the homeless. Other items such as tins or vegetables will go to **Arclight**, a shelter for the homeless, along with donations of warm clothes. Please bring your items into school on **Wednesday morning (11<sup>th</sup> October)** so that we can take them along to church when we rehearse. Items can be placed in a box or loose in a bag.

### **Parent Governors**

I am delighted to pass on the news that Rowan Johnson is our new Parent Governor and her term starts immediately. Thank you to Rowan for agreeing to take on this important role.

### Small Rugs, Bean Bags, Cushions

We are looking for kind donations of any of the above items for our Classroom Reflection spaces and Reading areas. Please get in touch with me or the Office if you have any spare to pass onto us. Thank you

### **PTA Section**

More news in the end of week newsletter. See information below about the Bake Sale.

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### The King's Gospels

You might recall that Sycamore Class took part in creating a gift for the King for his Coronation. We received this message from Buckingham Palace via the organisers.

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The King has asked me to thank you for your wonderful message of support, and for the thoughtful gift of the handwritten Gospels which you so generously sent on the occasion of Their Majesties' Coronation.

The King was most interested to learn of the York Gospels project, and would have me pass on his gratitude to all those who contributed. Your kind gesture is truly appreciated.

### Millbridge Meeting in school – Friday 13th October

I would like to have a meeting with all the school parent residents who live at Millbridge Farm. This will take place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 9am in school, immediately after 'Drop off'.

The purpose of the meeting is for me to speak a little bit about the school and how you can best support your child's learning at home. It will also be an opportunity for you to get to know me a little bit better and ask questions. I do hope that you can attend.

I would like to continue to meet with you on a half termly basis and speak to you about a variety of school matters that you might find helpful and interesting. The main objective for me is to make sure that you feel part of our lovely school community and confident enough to come in and contribute to it.

## **TT Rockstars**

We do hope to get TTRockstars running properly again this week. Please note that the previous battle ending today was between Year 6 and Year 4 and that this week's battle will be between Year 5 and Year 3.

### Attendance figures, House Winners and Stars of the Week!

Last week was so busy that I did not get chance to sort attendance figures, house winners or Stars of the Week. This information will return in this Friday's shorter newsletter.

### **ESafety Section**

One of the more heartwarming, life-affirming aspects of social media is being able to share special moments in our children's lives with family and friends: from the first day at school or blowing out birthday cake candles to smiling holiday selfies and cute Hallowe'en costumes. Is there, however, such a thing as too much sharing – and can it actually put children in danger? With potential risks such as accidentally displaying identifying details (images showing where a child lives or what school they go to, for example) and photos being seen and saved by strangers, perhaps we need to take a little more caution over what we post and where we post it. This #WakeUpWednesday guide runs through some safety considerations when sharing images. <a href="https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/e-safety-quick-read-sharing-photos-online">https://www.naburnschool.com/e-safety-parent-information/e-safety-quick-read-sharing-photos-online</a>

### 'Ave a Go!'

Please 'Have a go' at these if you have the time. Do work through them with your children, particularly if they are in Year 5 or Year 6. I am more than happy to mark them!

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#### **Picture News**

Story: The 2024 edition of the Guinness World Records, featuring more than 80% new and updated records and with a total of 2,638 records, has been released.
Question: Can anyone break a world record?
Virtual Picture News: Found here: www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

Hope you had a great weekend! 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 Burton or Mrs Noble during school hours, you may wish to make direct contact with the <u>York MASH</u> (<u>Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub</u>) 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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## School Dates for your Diary

Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	County Lines Talk to Y5/6 York Youth Justice Team
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Walk to School Week – House Captains to organise
	HT/Parent Drop In – 4.30pm to 6pm
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	World Mental Health Day
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Children bringing Harvest Gifts
	Flu Jabs – 1pm
	Cross Country – Askham Bryan College
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest Festival – St Matthew's Church – 2pm
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Sycamore Class Visit to Eden Camp – All day
	Parent Dinner – Acorn Class

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