



Small School Big Ideas

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A Nut Free School



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Dear Parents,

This will be another packed newsletter with lots of information and plenty to report. Football and cakes are top of my list so read on and enjoy! Use the following link if you prefer to listen to me.

<https://youtu.be/MhRU5KxCBik>

On Tuesday every child enjoyed a samba drumming workshop led by Olivia of Music Education Group. It tied in beautifully with Acorn's Maya studies, while Sycamore focused on South and Central American rhythms!



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Our Sri Lankan School Link – Athena International School

You will remember that we had a very special visitor from our link school in Sri Lanka last week. You can see below how much the children learnt and how much high quality work they have completed from the excellent session that Nicolette led.



Eden Camp

Sycamore Class had an exciting and fascinating day at Eden Camp on Thursday. It was a superb way to whet their appetite on the work that they will be doing on World War II and particularly the Battle of Britain when they return after half term. Thank you to Mrs Noble for planning and leading the visit.



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PTA Cake Sale

Thank you to everyone who made or bought cakes and buns for our PTA bake sale on Thursday after school and thank you to everyone that purchased any of the delicious creations. There remains plenty of delicious treats, so another sale will happen today (Friday) after school. Thank you too to the PTA for organising the event, all proceeds school funds.



Palaeontologists on Tour!

This week, Acorn Class were incredibly lucky to be visited by renowned palaeontologists, Professor Wilkz and Professor Fredz. The eminent Profs gave another wonderful presentation about fossils on their tour of Naburn School - what they are; how they're formed etc. and everyone in the school now knows our amenities from our belemnites! Thankyou so much!



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Nature Rangers – Message from the Yorkshire Arboretum

We are looking forward to meeting you all again on Monday 30th October during half term for Nature Rangers. We will be having an autumn theme for this event, with games, crafts and activities about nocturnal animals including making a clay hedgehog. There will be opportunities for exploring the grounds and collecting but also to become creative in the inside space. The café will be open serving drinks and food.

Please book below:

[Nature Rangers Day 30.10.23 — Yorkshire Arboretum](#)

Please spread the word via your friends and schools.

We also have events during half term to plant acorns:

[Grow Your Own Oak 29.10.23 — Yorkshire Arboretum](#)

[Grow Your Own Oak 01.11.23 — Yorkshire Arboretum](#)

Village Quiz Night

The Village Quiz Night was an absolute triumph. It was full of top quality entertainment and wonderful company. Thank you to Matt and Benedict for organising a perfect quiz that had something for everyone. Thank you to Claire for creating the most delicious spread and thank you to the Village Hall Committee and the PTA for all their hard work before and on the evening. Finally thank you to everyone who came along – we raised a mighty £494.50 that will be shared equally between the school and the Village Hall.

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Cancel Class Assemblies

Please note that we have deferred the dates of the Class Assemblies to a later this term. I will give you more information about these date changes when I have them.

Football

Our football fixture this week was against Skelton Primary. We won the match 8-3, with Fredz scoring four, Jonny got a hat-trick and Luke scored one. It was a superb team performance and we cannot wait for our next game against Fishergate this coming Monday.

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Walk to School Week – 23rd to 27th October

Please note that Walk to School Week begins on Monday and runs until the end of the 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.

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

To get everyone in the spooky mood, we're holding the first film night of the year tonight. This will be held tonight in the school hall, starting at 18:00. The children have democratically voted to watch the Disney film Coco. This is PG rated, so please be sure you are happy for your child/ren to watch this.

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There will be juice and plenty of popcorn for the small cost of £3.50 per child, or £5 for siblings. Children are encouraged to come in their PJs, with a teddy to snuggle with.

Then, to finish the half term, we have the All Hallows Eve Party. This will be held between 18:00 – 19:00, on Thursday 26th October, at the village hall. There will be all sorts of tricks, treats, surprises and games! This is open to older and younger siblings, as well as all of the children in the village. Everyone is encouraged to come dressed to impress in your most terrifying and spooktacular outfits (that goes for adults too)!! The price is £3.50 per child or £5 for siblings. All children should have a supervising adult with them.

October's been a busy month but we'll be ready to get going again, after half term, with our November social. We'll have the fantastic, York based cover band, Electric Sheep, playing hits from the 60s through to the 90s. There will also be a bar, quiz, games and to end the evening, a promise auction. To make this night a success, we need your help please? Are you able to offer a service that you would happily provide, free of charge, to raise money for the school? Do you own something that could be loaned out or have expertise in a certain field which you could provide to someone? If so, please let us know by contacting the school office. The promises that are kindly offered will be auctioned off to the highest bidder at the end of the evening.

If you have any ideas that you would like to share with us, about ways we can fundraise for school, get parents engaged and include the village community please feel free to email naburnschoolpta@gmail.com.

We are hoping to raise as much money as possible, with all of our events this year, to treat the children at the end of the school year.

TT Rockstars

The winners of the battle between Year 5 and Year 6 was the **Year 6 - Congratulations**. This week's battle was supposed to be between **Year 6 and Year 4** but I messed it up and it only lasted a day – I apologise. I will restart the battle this coming Monday and it will last a week.

House Winners and Stars of the Week!

Well done to **Perseverance** for being House attendance champs and congratulations to our overall House winners, **Hope**.

Attendance figures

- This week's School Attendance W/C 03/10/23 = 87.17% - Unauthorised absence = 5.76%
- Last week's School attendance W/C 25/09/23 = 89.84% - Unauthorised absence = 2.60%
- Whole School Attendance School Year to date = 88.12% - Unauthorised absence = 4.04%

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

Picture News

Story: Wales has reduced its maximum speed limit in residential areas from 30mph to 20mph, becoming the first nation in the UK to introduce these measures.

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Question: Should speed limits be lowered in your local area?

Virtual Picture News: Found here: www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

Hope you have 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 [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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Come and visit our amazing school!

Acorn class will be open 1.30 to 3pm every
Friday

10th November to 8th December

For children due to start school in Sept '24

Our small school with big ideas offers a caring, happy and fun learning environment with Christian values at its heart in a close, nurturing, family community where children can thrive and learn confidently. We're delighted to have won the School of the Year in the York Press Community Pride Awards this year and to have been adopted by The Education



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Alliance Multi Academy Trust promising an
exciting future!

Places available. Come and experience our
great little school for yourself.

(Parents/carers to stay with their child during Stay and Play)



We look forward to seeing you!



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