

Nettlebed Community School

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Dear all,

The children of Nettlebed have been extremely busy in many extra-curricular activities the past few weeks which they have relished and shown the Nettlebed way of Reaching up and Reaching Out. Our Year 5 mathematicians attended a maths challenge afternoon held at Rupert House and competed against other local schools. The four children were fantastic and tackled problems with enthusiasm and determination. They were a credit to the school.

Our Year 1s attended a rugby tournament run by Henley Hawks who have been in school running training sessions since September. They had a brilliant morning playing small sided games and practicing skills. They were kept very busy and many parents reported they slept well that night! Year two are off on the same adventure next week.

Our Year 5/6 Girls football team played against our partnership schools this week and came second in a tightly fought tournament. Well done team! Year 5/6 boys turn next week.

I would like to thank those parents who have been getting involved in Nettlebed Community by attending the talk by myself and governors last week. It was a great opportunity to discuss some of the ideas going forwards for the school and I will report back on a regular basis. Thank you especially to those parents who have since then offered support for the school in many different ways.

Have you noticed our playground is looking smarter and our quiet area is now open? A fantastic bunch of parents spent last Saturday on a very grey and drizzly day, helping to make it a special place for the children and I would like to extend my sincere thanks.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, Warm wishes Mrs Bethany Greenwood



Reach up



Year 5/6 Match report

By Freya Turner

Yesterday me and the rest of the team: Bella, Tara, Jemima, Charlotte, Bronte, Keira and Fleur went to a 5/6 football tournament at Langtree. Overall we came second and everyone enjoyed the experience. The Olympic values medal went to Charlotte and we could all see why. She was very supportive of the team when she wasn't playing and when she was playing she always tried her best. Although Charlotte was the one who was singled out, everyone was extremely encouraging and played incredibly. Each match was seven minutes long with no half time. At the end we all felt very proud and happy and were all glad we went.

Christmas Carol Concert.

Whilst Nettlebed will be holding their Christmas concert on the last Friday of term, everyone is warmly invited to the Carol concert taking place in church on the 17th December at 4.30pm



We raised a massive £260.41 for The Royal British legion through our poppy collections.

Thank you very much for all your support.



Christmas Production

Christmas productions are well underway and singing has begun. Please look out for your child's costume letter if they are in EYFS or KS1.

KS2 will be singing at the Sue Ryder home and the Nettlebed Christmas lunch as well at our carol concert. FONS are also asking a gentle reminder for any remaining sponsorship money and Christmas card money to please be given in to the office.

Car Parking

Thank you so much to those people who are no longer parking in Old School Green. The residents have noticed a real difference and are very grateful for the school's response. Mr Watts has been doing a great job in his hi vis jacket.

Christmas Lunch

We will be having our Christmas lunch on 14th December.

Please see the attached poster.

THANK YOU TO THE OFFICE TEAM FOR ALL OF THEIR HARDWORK IN ORGANMSING CLUBS. WE KNOW SOME OF THEM SOLD OUT IN RECORD TIME SO WE ARE LOOKING AT HOW WE CAN INCREASE THE NUMBER OF THESE CLUBS.

Awards for Reach Up, Reach Out

13th November 2017 I can help others

Jasper Chapman, Felix Bishop, Linden Jones, Dylan Hudson, Fleur Gittings

20th November 2017 I can show perseverance

Kayla de Guzman, Oscar Tarling, Anna Quinton, Josh Godwin, Harry Hunt

Reach up Reach out

Stanley Gee, Connor Blyth, Olly Offwood, Adam Bennett, Maxwell Dellor, Oscar M



Absence in school and medical appointments

If your child is unwell, please let the school know in the morning by calling the office or emailing. Otherwise the absence will be recorded as unauthorised. There is no need to write a note once the child has returned to school.

Please avoid medical appointments during the school day. However if this is unavoidable, please bring a copy of the letter or appointment card, if you have one, to the office so we can take a copy for our attendance records.

Please note we are unable to authorise any holidays during term time except under exceptional circumstance. If you think your child will need time of school, please complete a 'leave of absence' form available from reception.

Dates for your Diary	
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Thursday 7th December	X country @ Goring
Friday 8th December	Non School uniform—please bring in a hamper donation
	Pantomime
Tuesday 12th December	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Production @ 2.30
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas Jumper Day
	Children to sing at Senior Citizen Lunch
	FONS Movie Night—doors open at 4.30
Thursday 14th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 15th December	Christmas Carols and Star of the term Assembly
	All welcome in the church. Time TBC
	Followed by Tea and mince pies in school
Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th December	FONs secret present room
Tuesday 19th December	Term ends at 1.30pm
Monday 8th January 2018	Term 3 starts for children