

Nursteed Community Primary School



Newsletter 21 Friday 15th March 2024

Message From Mrs Vousden

I have enjoyed watching the class assemblies and hearing about all the things the children have been learning. Last week Venus Class wowed me with their singing and their knowledge about The Tudors. We have been able to see the wide range of subjects covered so far this year including maths, English, history, geography, art, DT, music, RE and even some PE – Yoga in the case of Venus class last week. Thank you so much to parents for joining us to support your children. They really love having you as part of the audience.

New dates for Y5+Y6 assemblies will be coming soon.

We will also be organising parent visits for lunch time during terms 5+6.

I hope to see you at the bingo tonight.

Kay Vousden
Headteacher

Easter Bunny Bingo - Friday 15th March

Thank you to all those who brought a chocolatey item in today for the bingo prizes. If you haven't yet got tickets, please go to [Parentpay](#). We have limited places, so we encourage you to book in advance to avoid disappointment. We look forward to seeing you at Bingo tonight!

Plastic Count

Many thanks to all those who have taken part in this helpful initiative. Please return your forms to school next Monday.

Parent Support Assistant – Lisa Foster

Lisa Foster our Parent Support Advisor will be hosting a Parent support clinic on: Monday 18th March 2024 from 8.30-11.00. If you would like to meet with Lisa, please contact her and she will discuss your concerns/ book a 10 minute appointment. Lisa's contact details are - 07803 406 827 or email Lisa on lisa.foster@nursteed.wilts.sch.uk.

More Parenting Support

We heard from many parents during our recent Parent Teacher meetings how tricky some of you are finding parenting at the moment. Parenting is challenging and this is not helped by the increasing time children spend online and on a screen. Many parents report that it is hard to get their child to meet up in person with their friends, as many children now interact via online games. The research tells us that too much screen time is detrimental to our children's development, but it is hard to get them off. Sometime children experience cyberbullying via their devices so we have attached a guide to cyberbullying for parents.

We have also attached a poster for The All Together charity who give advice to parents on a wider range of topics, as well as information on Parenting courses.

Another issue that can have an ongoing impact on our children is bereavement. Attached is information from Wiltshire Treehouse – a charity that offers support and advice to help children suffering the effects of bereavement. We hope you will find this information useful.

Worried about feeding your family over the Easter holiday?

The government has allocated the school money in the form of Morrisons vouchers to support families who may struggle to buy food over the holiday period. These vouchers are **not** for those families who are currently in receipt of free school meals, as these families will receive a different holiday payment. The current vouchers are to support any one who is struggling financially who might not be able to afford food for the holiday period. If you think you may be in this position, and would benefit from this support, please contact the school office in confidence to request support.

Parents and Carers Questionnaire

It is a year since we last gathered your views on how things are going for you and your child at Nursteed. We'd appreciate you taking 5 minutes to click the link [here](#) to our questionnaire **for each child you have at our school** so that we can consider how we can make things even better at Nursteed. You can complete this form anonymously, but if you give your name, we will be able to contact you about any issues you raise, if this would be helpful. We will share general feedback with parents in next term's newsletter. This Questionnaire will close at 5pm on Thursday 28th March 2024. Many thanks for your time and feedback.

Star of the week

At the end of last week the following people were awarded their class cup for showing our school values of: **Kindness, Teamwork** and **Determination** and for showing that they were **Thriving** in some way. If your child was chosen, please congratulate them on their efforts and achievements.

W/C 15/03/24

Pluto: Kimberley, Mars: Zoey, Neptune: Harlee, Mercury: Alfie, Venus: Oliver, Jupiter: George, Saturn: Willow.

If children are achieving special things outside of school we love to hear about it. Please let us know so we can celebrate with them in school.

Dates for Diary –

Term 4

Monday 18 th March 2024	Parent support clinic
Wednesday 20 th - Friday 22 nd March	Year 5 residential visit to PGL
Thursday 28 th March	Easter Bonnets and Wacky Hair Day (No Charge) and Last Day of term.

Term 5

Monday 15 th April	Teacher training day
Tuesday 26 th April	First day of term 5
Friday 7 th June	Class photos

You are invited to attend your child's class assembly at 2.40pm on the following dates

Term 3:

- Saturn Class - New date to be set
- Jupiter Class - New date to be set
- Mars Class - 15.03.24 - Y1
- Pluto Class - 22.03.24 - YR

Through kindness, teamwork and determination we thrive.

Attachments

We All Need Help Sometimes (All Together) Poster
Parental Relationships and Parenting Course Flyer
Wiltshire Tree House Leaflet
SKIPS Safety Net Parents guide to Cyber Bullying Poster

From Other People

Easter FUEL Programme

Information from Wiltshire Council

Please see the following information from [Wiltshire News](#) which you may find useful.