

Nursteed Community Primary School



Newsletter 20 Friday 8th March 2024

Message From Mrs Vousden

The children looked amazing in their World Book Day clothes and were obviously having a lot of fun when they arrived today. There are more opportunities to dress up (or down!) this term with next Friday being a dress down day to support the Easter Bunny Bingo in the evening and then Thursday 28th March, the last day of term, being Wacky Hair and Easter Bonnets day. For those of you who enjoy dressing up, have fun. For those of you who don't, that is fine – come in your usual clothes.

Kay Vousden
Headteacher

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.

The Great Plastic Count

This week we were lucky enough to have a parent come to school to talk to the children about The Great Plastic Count, a national campaign that will be taking place next week. The aim is to raise awareness of plastic waste so that we can find ways to reduce it. We will be sending the oldest child in the family home with a form to fill in to count the amount of plastic that the household disposes of between Monday 11th and Sunday 17th March. We hope parents will support their children to complete these forms and then remind them to bring them back to school on Monday 19th March, so that they can do their bit to support the planet.

Behaviour Around School

One of our governors has recently visited school to find out the children's views on behaviour. A couple of representatives from each class went to chat to Mr Smith and answered a variety of questions. Over all, they felt that things were improving and where there were issues they were being dealt with. You can see their responses on our website [here](#).

One key change we have made for the time being is that KS2 children are being given specific places to play, so that they can focus on building their friendships in their class. This will be in place until Easter.

School Council

We now have our school council up and running and they will be meeting most weeks with Mrs Vousden to discuss ways to make our school the best it can be. At the moment they are working on different activities that can be arranged for lunch time playtime to ensure we use our grounds well, are active and have fun.

Our School Councillors are: Y6: Bethany, Alfie, Koby, Lily, Year 5: Morgan, Jasmine, Y4: Olivia, Ruben, Y3: Samuel, Scarlet, Y2: Harlee and Ahmed.

Through kindness, teamwork and determination we thrive.

Easter Bunny Bingo - Friday 15th March – dress down day

Our Bingo Night is fast approaching. To ensure we have lots of fantastic chocolatey prizes for the bingo, next Friday 15th March will be a dress down day and we ask the children to donate Easter eggs or chocolate for the event.

Sarah Kyte and FONS have now taken on the organising of this event, so please see the details below on how to help and to book your tickets for the night. **We have a limit to numbers due to fire regulations, so we advise you to book tickets in advance to avoid disappointment on the night.** Tickets can now be booked through [Parentpay](#).

FONS is very excited to be hosting a bingo night next Friday (15 March) to raise funds for the school. We need your help though to make the evening fun and successful!!

We need volunteers on the night to help set up, sell refreshments, and tidy up afterwards. Please do take a moment to visit the link below and see what help we need. Just pop your name and an email address next to the role you are most interested in and we will be in touch with more details early next week.

Click here to volunteer: <https://volunteersignup.org/TEQY9>

If you have any queries, please contact FoNS Chair (Sarah Kyte) directly or through the school office. Thank you and we can't wait to see you on the night!!

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. She still has a few slots left, so 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. See attached leaflet for more details.

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 08/03/24

Pluto: Evie, Mars: Matthew, Neptune: Jayden-James, Mercury: Clayton, Venus: Charlie, Jupiter: Charlie, Saturn: Vsevolod.

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

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| Friday 15 th March | Easter Bunny Bingo - School Fund Raiser and <u>Dress Down (own Clothes) day</u> – bring donations of chocolate and Easter eggs! |
| Monday 18 th March 2024 | Parent support clinic |
| Wednesday 20 th -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. |

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

Attachments

- Easter bingo
- Parent support clinic

From Other People

- PH Sports Easter holidays
- Hillworth Park – Easter Egg Hunt
- Hillworth Park – Crafty Kids in the Café

Information from Wiltshire Council

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