

# Nursteed Community Primary School



## Newsletter 19 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

### Message From Mrs Vousden

After over twenty years at Nursteed School Mrs Dunstone has decided it is time to move on to pastures new. She has secured a promotion as Assistant Headteacher and will start after Easter. Mrs Dunstone has carried out many roles during her time at Nursteed and in recent years has taught Y6, preparing them well for secondary school and ensuring they have a fantastic time on the Y6 residential at The Beacon, amongst other things. She has also been one of our Deputy Headteachers and has worked on many school improvement initiatives alongside myself and the SLT. She will be very much missed. I want to thank her for all her hard work at Nursteed and wish her the very best of luck with this move.

Kay Vousden  
Headteacher

### Staffing Changes

**Year 6** – As Mrs Dunstone will be leaving at Easter, we have an advert out for a temporary class teacher for the summer term. If you know of any fantastic teachers looking for a job in the summer term, please let them know of this advert. It will be in the Wiltshire Bulletin from next Tuesday and will be put on our website today. Mrs Vousden will accompany the children on the residential to The Beacon and all other adults will be finalised once we know who will be taking the class. We will keep you updated on the progress to find a replacement teacher for Saturn Class.

**Years 2+5** – Mrs Gaule will be reducing her hours after Easter and will be relinquishing her role of teaching Y5. Mrs Walton, who is an experienced KS2 teacher, will move from teaching Y2 to Y5 for Monday and Tuesday. For the summer term Ms James will increase her hours to teach Y2 full time. Mrs Walton will cover Y2 for half a day a week to allow Ms James to have PPA time. The class structure will be:

	Terms 5+6	
	Year 2	Year 5
Monday	Ms James all day	Mrs Walton all day
Tuesday	Ms James am, Mrs Walton pm	Mrs Walton am, Miss Kennedy pm
Wednesday	Ms James all day	Miss Kennedy all day
Thursday	Ms James all day	Miss Kennedy all day
Friday	Ms James all day	Miss Kennedy all day

### Parent Teacher Meetings

Meetings have been arranged for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week, depending on the class. If you have not yet booked to see your child's class teacher, please contact the school to make an appointment.

### Car Idling Poster Competition

Well done to all those who took part, we had some lovely ideas and all entrants will receive a small prize. Congratulations to Teddy from Y2, Daisy from Y4 and Lilly from Y6 who were chosen as the winners.

### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March Come dressed as a character from a book

Thank you to Mrs Shore, for organising a costume swap in readiness for dress up book day next Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024. Children are invited to come dressed as a character from a book next week. There is no charge for this – it's just for fun!

### Easter Bunny Bingo - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Our Bingo Night is fast approaching. Please let us know by emailing the office or via the FONS if you are available to help out in any way to make this a fun and enjoyable evening and a great fundraiser for the school.

To ensure we have lots of fantastic chocolatey prizes for the bingo we will be holding a dress down day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March and ask the children to donate Easter eggs or chocolate for the event.

### Goldilocks and the Three Bears – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February

The children had great fun at this event, we hope they told you all about it. If you have not yet had chance to pay a £2 donation, you can do so via [Parentpay](#).

### Parent Support Assistant – Lisa Foster

Lisa Foster our Parent Support Advisor will be hosting a Parent support clinic on: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:lisa.foster@nursteed.wilts.sch.uk). See attached leaflet for more details.

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 26/02/24

Pluto: Maya, Mars: Amelia, Neptune: Erik, Mercury: Arnie, Venus: Reuben, Jupiter: Ava, Saturn: Lily.

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

Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Teacher Meetings 3.30pm to 5.00pm
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 Parent Teacher Meetings 4.30pm to 7.30pm
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Teacher Meetings 4.30pm to 7.30pm
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Dress up for World Book Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Bunny Bingo - School Fund Raiser and <u>Dress Down (own Clothes) day</u> – bring donations of chocolate and Easter eggs!
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Parent support clinic
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 5 residential visit to PGL
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> 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
- Venus Class - 08.03.24 - Y4
- Mars Class - 15.03.24 - Y1
- Pluto Class - 22.03.24 - YR

### **Attachments**

Parent support clinic  
World Book day

### **From Other People**

Self-Regulation Poster  
AStars Easter Dance Club

### **Information from Wiltshire Council**

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