

Nursteed Community Primary School



Newsletter 4 – Friday, 26th September 2025

Message from the Head/ Head's Update

We are just over halfway through the first term and starting to see the autumn colours on the trees. This week we have had class and whole-school assemblies about safeguarding and all the things we do to keep the children safe. The children were able to name a trusted adult they would speak to if they were worried about anything. For parents and carers, I have attached our updated guidance of who you should talk to in school should you have any concerns.

School Council:

I was delighted to hold the first School Council meeting of the year and meet the class representatives. We talked about the role and I handed out their special 'School Council' badges. They were tasked with obtaining their classes views on what clubs they would like to see at Nursteed School – watch this space!

PH Sports:

PH sports, who provide our Breakfast Club, will also start lunchtime sports coaching on a Friday. This will involve sports drills and small games for all children to take part in. It was the first session today and the children looked like they had a great time playing football.

Hot Chocolate with the Head:

This week, Mrs Duffy met Eann, E and Georgie-Rose from KS1 and Milo, Stanley, Julia and Nicholas from KS2. We discussed reading at Nursteed School. We talked about reading and hearing the love of books across the school was wonderful.



European Day of Languages:

Today is European Day of Languages and an opportunity to celebrate the different languages spoken around the world and in Nursteed School itself!

In Reception, we have a number of children whose first language is not English. They shared how to say 'hello' in different languages including Turkish, Shona and Polish.

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In Year 1, they looked at Shona, a language predominantly spoken in Zimbabwe and Romanian. The children enjoyed listening to and comparing the two national anthems and they painted large flags together.



In Year 2, the children studied French which they will go on to learn weekly when they reach Key Stage Two. They painted some beautiful watercolours in the style of Monet and even had croissants for a mid-morning snack! The photo shows them playing dominoes in French.



In Year 3, the children learned some Japanese. They painted cherry blossoms and even tried to master chopsticks – it was harder than it looks! The highlight of the afternoon was some sumo wrestling...even Mrs Gaule joined in!



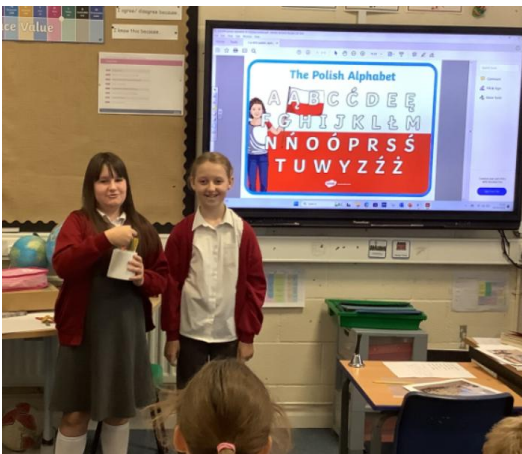
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In Year 4, the class looked at Italian. They learned to count to 21, sang an Italian song together and enjoyed some Italian food tasting of cheese, pasta and bread.



In Year 5, using two of our Polish students, the children learned Polish words and phrases. Julia and Hanna were excellent teachers and taught their classmates how to say colours, days of the week and places in Polish.



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In Year 6, the children studied Spanish and looked at where this is spoken around the world. They practised counting in Spanish, greetings and were able to say some basic sentences. They really enjoyed their Spanish food tasting.



We finished the afternoon with a whole-school assembly to share our amazing learning. Overall, we had a great morning – do ask your child if they can remember any of the new vocabulary they learned today!

Hannah Duffy
Headteacher

Year 5 & Year 6 Dauntsey Football:

Last Friday evening 21 boys and girls from Jupiter and Saturn class represented the school in some friendly football matches organised and hosted by Dauntsey's School. The sun was shining and everyone was very excited for some competitive sport against other schools. The girls' team had two matches, the first was against Crockerton and the second, a combined team of Wansdyke and year 7 Dauntsey's pupils. The girls comfortably won both matches and played brilliantly demonstrating teamwork with some lovely passes and impressive goals. Goals came from Dotty (4), Lara (3), Lola (1) and Amelie (1). Well done also to Scarlett for keeping a clean sheet in goal.

The two boys' teams (year 5 and year 6) were equally as successful and clearly enjoyed every match. A special mention to Archie who scored all the goals, all 7 of them!

A big thank you goes to Miss Forrester for helping and looking after both the boys' teams which I know was a juggle and also to the parents and carers who helped with transport and support.

Every player represented the school with enthusiasm and respect and did themselves proud!

Mrs Gaule



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Celebration Assembly Correction:

In Newsletter 2, Year 3 celebrated Scarlett C who had a great week! Well done Scarlett.

Drop-off and Collections:

We are still having some issues with parents blocking the top gate and also leaving their car running while they come into school for drop-off and collection. Please do your part to ensure our school is safe for the children at the start and end of the day.

Friends of Nursteed School:

Friends of Nursteed School, or 'FONS' for short, is our fundraising body for Nursteed School, responsible for planning as many fun and entertaining events as possible across the year with the aim of raising funds for the school. We are a friendly bunch and are keen to recruit parents to help plan and staff these events. This year, we have already made donations to each class to subsidise the ever-growing cost of school trips and would like to continue to improve the outside areas and play times for our children. If you are keen to help or would like any further information, please add your name and email address on the sign-up sheet in reception and a member of FONS will be in touch.

Dance Club KS2

If your child is in Mercury, Venus, Jupiter or Saturn and would like to attend our Dance Club led by Miss Forrester on Mondays, please email the office (admin@nursteed.wilts.sch.uk). The Dance Club will start on Monday, 3rd November 2025.

Term1

25 September 2025
21 October 2025
22 October 2025

Individual and sibling photos
FoNS Halloween Disco
TD day 2

Important Information

1. You can contact Lisa Foster, our Parent Support Advisor, on lisa.foster@nursted.wilts.sch.uk or call her on 07803 406 827. She works on Mondays and Tuesdays and if you leave a message, she will get back to you as soon as she can.
2. You can book Before School Care (7.45am-8.45am) by following this link [here](#).
3. If you would like to contact Matt Clements regarding drumming information, please email him on mattcdrumtuition@gmail.com.
4. If you think there is something that would help to improve our school we would love to hear from you. Feel free to email us on admin@nursted.wilts.sch.uk so we can consider your ideas.

Attachments

1. Tennis Club Holiday Camp
2. FoNS Halloween Disco
3. Who to talk to (safeguarding)

Information from Wiltshire Council

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

Have a lovely weekend.