

Nursted Community Primary School



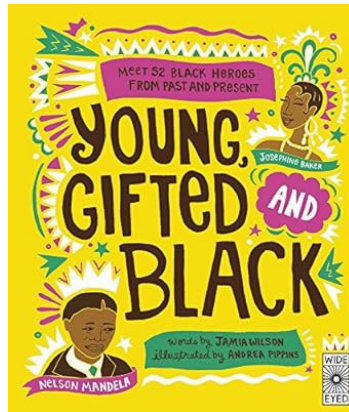
Newsletter 5 – Friday, 3rd October 2025

Message from the Head/ Head's Update

This week we carried out our first fire drill of the year! I am pleased to report all the children were calm and sensible when leaving the school building and know what to do if they hear the fire alarm go off.

I have spent some time in reading lessons this week and listening to children read. I was so happy to see a great buzz around books and reading, especially in Year 4 where the children had a 'Book Club' lesson where they share their favourite current reads and recommend some titles to the rest of the class.

My book recommendation this week is *Young, Gifted and Black* – a beautifully illustrated book which ties in nicely with Black History Month.



Hot Chocolate with the Head:

This week, Mrs Duffy met Emily, Pippa and Emily from KS1 and Arya, Archie, Hanna and Alfie from KS2. We discussed attendance and how important it is to be in school as much as possible.



Celebration Assembly:

This week we celebrated Sophia A, Madelyn J, Sam B, Imogen H, William R and Isabella B.

We also celebrated Emily C's dance bracelet that she obtained and she shared she will work her way through different colours, just like karate belts!

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Black History Month:

October is Black History Month and this year, the focus is 'Standing Firm in Power and Pride'. We discussed why we celebrate Black History Month and at Nursteed we will do this via poetry! Each class will explore the works of a black poet and have the opportunity to perform a poem in assembly at the end of term. We have some amazing poets to study including Malorie Blackman, Benjamin Zephaniah and Maya Angelou.



Football:

We are big football fans at Nursteed but we have had a few safety concerns raised. Some children are playing football in the underpass before and after school, making it difficult for people to get past safely. In assembly today, the children have been asked not to play football here.

Parent Governor:

We have a vacancy for a parent governor. This would be ideal for any parent who has a keen interest in the performance of the school, a desire to support the school community, the ability to listen and work well with others and the confidence to ask questions. It is an important and rewarding role! If you would like any further information before considering an application, please contact Mrs Duffy via the School Office.

Marble Jar Treats:

Some of our classes have earned their treat target from their class marble jars. These are earned via excellent behaviour.

Year 4 enjoyed a film this afternoon:



Hannah Duffy
Headteacher

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Friends of Nursteed School:

We recently held our Annual General Meeting (AGM) our newly elected officers are: Sheryl Forrester as Chair, Rebecca Cox as treasurer, Aimee Kerley as secretary.

Last year FONS raised £2.213 by holding a disco, bingo, art competition and Autumn Fayre.

Mrs Duffy met with some children in school who expressed they would like to have new play equipment for break and lunchtimes.

FONS have agreed to help with this and are currently working to provide footballs and tennis balls for the playground. We have also agreed to donate funds towards each class trip.

Nursteed school has asked us to look into whether we would be able to support financially with replacing parts of the trim trail that has been with the school since opening, however we do not yet have a formal agreement and this is under review and we will update after more discussion has been had.

We are looking to ramp things up this year with more regular termly events such as coffee mornings, adult only bingo/family bingo, colour run, world cup themed events, breakfast with Santa and many more.

These events are only possible to run with the support from all the families at Nursteed School, we thank you for this and hope we will have your continued support, whether you are volunteering at events or attending them, it all helps!

SAVE THE DATE: Breakfast with Santa: Saturday 6th December 2025- more details to follow.

FONS

friendsofnursteed@gmail.com

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.

Dates to remember

Term 1

25 September 2025
21 October 2025
22 October 2025
23 October 2025

Individual and sibling photos
FoNS Halloween Disco
TD day 2
Half Term

Term 2

03 November 2025
04 November 2025
06 November 2025
12 November 2025
06 December 2025
22 December 2025

Back to school
Open Day PM
Open Day AM
Open Day AM
FoNS Breakfast with Santa
Christmas Holiday

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. FoNS Breakfast with Santa
2. Martial Arts Adults
3. Martial Arts Juniors
4. Mud & Guts
5. ZooLab UK

Information from Wiltshire Council

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

Have a lovely weekend.