Nursteed Community Primary School

13th November 2026 Newsletter 7

Message from the Head:

A warm welcome back to Term 2. The colder mornings (and break times!) have arrived, but our classrooms are warm with energy and curiosity as we dive into exciting new curriculum topics. With the festive season just around the corner, there's a wonderful buzz building throughout the school.

Today, your child's report will be coming home, giving a snapshot of the fantastic start they've made to the year. Parent's Evening booking information will be shared soon, and we look forward to catching up with many of you then.

Weekly Assemblies

The whole school attended a Remembrance assembly and showed wonderful understanding and respect for our minute's silence. Each child created a piece of poppy art on a wooden disc and places it upon our special Remembrance Tree which is now in our foyer for all to see.



Celebration Assembly

Last week, we celebrated Emily, Aubrey, Harmony, Sam, Georgia, Aurora and Darcey – well done!

This week, we celebrated Summer, Bruno, Max, Matthew, Scarlett, Penny and Isla H – great stuff guys!

Isobel also received our 1st handwriting award – each week Mrs Pretlove will choose a child who has made a dedicated effort with their presentation.

Last week, we also celebrated Pippa's football medal, Max's football trophy and a whole range of swimming medals from Aston and Chester.

This week, Georgie shared 3 swimming certificates.

Football Success at Dauntsey's!

Our Year 5 and Year 6 boys' and girls' teams enjoyed a fantastic football fixture at Dauntsey's, representing the school superbly both on and off the pitch.

Both teams demonstrated tremendous resilience, determination and commitment throughout, alongside outstanding sportsmanship. There were some excellent goals, exciting passages of play and plenty of competitive action, making for a thoroughly enjoyable sporting occasion.

A particular well done to Jacob and Dorothy, who were exceptional captains, leading by example and demonstrating fantastic leadership throughout. Perhaps most pleasing of all was the impeccable behaviour of every child. They showed respect, enthusiasm and a wonderful attitude from start to finish, and were outstanding ambassadors for our school.
We are incredibly proud of every one of them. A huge well done to all the children involved!!





Hot Chocolate with the Head

Last week, I met with Seb, A, Eduard, Ronnie, Leia, Laiton, and Lillie-Rae for hot chocolates – we spoke about our favourite books and the children made some great recommendations to each other!



This week, I met with Ruby, Edward, Mila, Kieran, Nathan, Aurora and Julia. We also chatted about books and then got onto the subject of AI – the children had some very thoughtful views on this.





Year 3 and Year 4 Get Creative 🎨

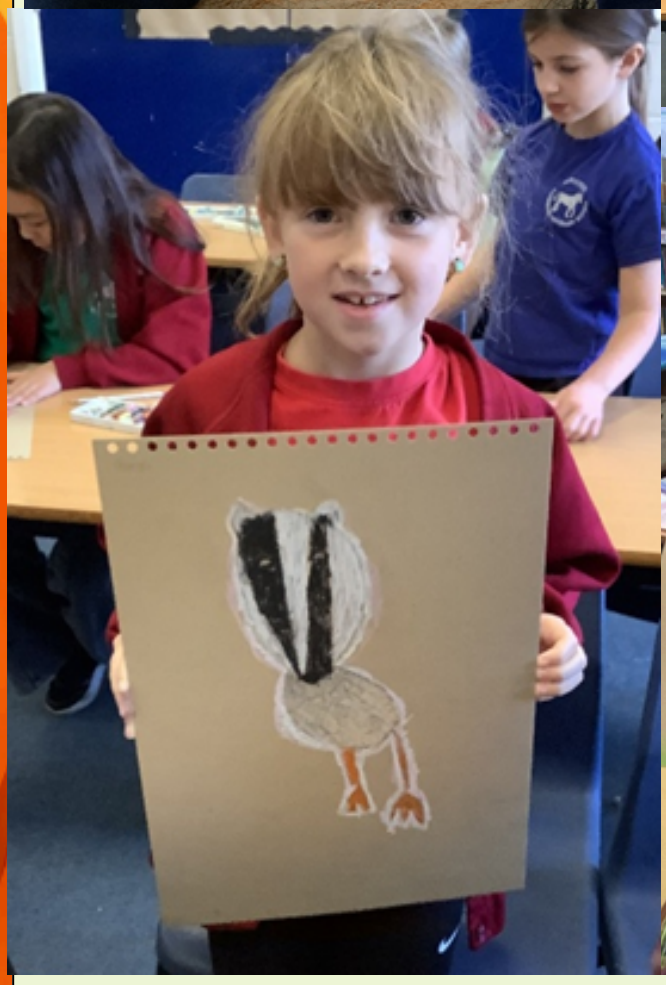
Year 3 and Year 4 were lucky to welcome Miss McDougall from Dauntsey's into school today and last Friday for some special art lessons inspired by nature.

The children worked on using pastels to create some beautiful works of art.

A huge thank you to Miss McDougall for sharing her time, knowledge and creativity with us. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience!









Open Morning

On Thursday 12th November, we had a very well-attended Open Morning for prospective parents. They were able to see the children working hard in the morning and we were welcomed by Ash class and they showed the visitors their amazing phonics lesson.

Staffing

I am sad to share that Miss Pottinger, our amazing Reception teacher, will be leaving us at the end of this term. We wish her the very best at her new school. We are advertising for a new Reception teacher and will keep parents of Ash class children updated with staffing plans.

FoNS Events

Our team of volunteers have been working hard to arrange a variety of fun events over the next term including a disco and breakfast with The Grinch! Please see the posters around school for more information.

Safeguarding

Each week, we will attach a Parent Guide to an app, area of online safety or safeguarding issue to give you an informed overview and practical tips on how to keep your child safe and discuss these topics together. This week, the guide focuses on social pressures linked to 'friends' and 'followers.' It addresses a range of potential risks such as fake friends, friend envy and being followed by strangers.

Upcoming Dates

- Monday 16th November - Odd Sock Day
- Wednesday 18th November - Christmas card orders close
- Friday 20th November - Children in Need non-uniform day
- Friday 20th November - FoNS School Disco
- Sunday 29th November - Drop and Shop FoNS event
- Thursday 3rd December - Mayors Carol Concert
- Friday 4th December - FoNS non-uniform day for Xmas Raffle
- Saturday 5th December - FoNS breakfast with the Grinch
- Monday 7th December - KS1 Nativity (afternoon performance)
- Tuesday 8th December - KS1 Nativity (after school performance)
- Wednesday 9th December - Lataca Christmas meal
- Wednesay 16th December - KS2 Carols around the tree
- Thursday 17th December - Christmas Book Flood (Jólabókaflóð)
- Friday 18th December - Last day of Term 2

Important Information

1. You can book Before School Care (7.45am-8.45am) by visting: https://bookings.phactiveed.co.uk/



2. If you would like to contact Matt Clements regarding drumming, please email him on mattcdrumtuition@gmail.com.

3. 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@nursteed.wilts.sch.uk so we can consider your ideas.

4. We currently have a vacancy for a Teaching Assistant. If you would like to apply or know anyone who would, please visit our website for more details.

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