Northleaze C of E Primary School

'Let your light shine.' (Matthew 5:16)

Newsletter 9 10th November 2023



Upcoming events

Please find a list of diary dates:

13th Nov – Odd Socks Day! **16th Nov** – Flu immunisations 17th Nov – INSET Day 20th Nov – Y5 residential visit to Charterhouse 27th Nov – STEM Workshop for Y5&6 27th Nov – Parents' Evening 30th Nov – Parents' Evening 1st Dec – Choir to sing at Long Ashton Community Centre, 11.00am 1st Dec – Open Afternoon, 1.30pm 7th Dec – Nursery & Reception Nativity, 9.30am 7th Dec – Christmas Lunch 9th Dec – PSA Christmas Fair 12th Dec - Year 1 & Year 2 Nativity performance, 9.30am 13th Dec – Nine Lessons and Carols Service for KS2 pupils, 6.30pm 20th Dec – Last day of term

2nd3rd Jan – Bristol Sport Holiday Camp

4th Jan – Children return to school

Reminders

The School Nurse team are here on Thursday 16th November for nasal Flu Immunisations for Years Reception to Year 6. If you want your child to receive it YOU MUST have completed this <u>consent form</u> by **Monday 13th November**. Please refer to the attached letter for full details.

A prayer for Remembrance

Ever living God, We remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



Our new Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

I am really pleased to announce that we have ten of our Year 5 and Year 6 pupils going to Bath next Wednesday to take part in Anti-Bullying training run by the Princess Diana Award. Once completed, these pupils become our new Anti-Bullying Ambassadors (ABAs for short) and will be able to support all our pupils in their relationships with others.

Twenty six of our young people from Year 5 and 6 applied for the ten places and we were really proud of all the contributions and the passion they clearly have for ensuring Northleaze is the best school it can be!

Cauliflower Cards – thank you!

Thank you so much to any family that contributed to the PSA's ongoing fundraising through purchasing your child's Christmas card design. We are delighted to say that the early organisation of the PSA has led to **£429** of fundraising back to school! This is amazing; thank you! A special to Gail Born who has coordinated this so brilliantly for the past few years and helped raise such great amounts.

Our Christian value this term

This term we are exploring the value of 'creativity' with the children. Christians often talk about God as the 'creator' and they believe that God made human beings in his own image, which means that each of *us* is also creative. We will be encouraging children to think about how they can be creative in their thoughts, their learning and how they approach problems each day. Please visit the <u>church school vision page</u> of our website for a 'creativity' family sheet to share at home.

Parents' Evening - return to face to face

Please ensure you have the dates for Parents' Evening in your calendar (see the upcoming events list). We will be returning to being face to face for these meetings so they will be in your child's classroom. We are using a new booking system linked to our new school website this time and will email further information about the booking process next week. Please bear with us whilst we use this new system for the first time.

INSET Days for 2024 - 2025

We have not yet had these closure dates confirmed for next academic year but will announce them as soon as we have been notified.

Please be reminded that next Friday 17th November is an INSET day. Our teachers and their counterparts in all Lighthouse Trust School will be joining together to share best practice in classroom teaching.

Anti-Bullying Week and Celebrating Difference

Some of you may know that next week is national Anti-Bullying Week, the start of which is always marked with Odd Socks Day. All the children need to do on **Monday is to wear odd socks!** It is a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique and to encourage people to express themselves.



The theme for our PSHE curriculum this term is 'Celebrating Difference' which fits very well with Anti-Bullying Week and helps children with their understanding, awareness and respect for difference. Over the next week, all classes will spend some time talking about bullying, how to recognise if it could be happening and who they can talk to at school if they are worried.

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to Hattie and Archie (Year 1), Olivia, William and Lewis (Year 2), Monty and Olivia C (Year 3), Ben and Darcey (Year 4), Evelyn and Theo H (Year 5) and Eddie and Archer (Year 6) who were all awarded certificates for fantastic learning this week!

Congratulations also to Ezra (Year 1), Libby (Year 2), Winston (Year 3), Charlie C (Year 4), Charlie P (Year 5) and Erin (Year 6) who were the recipients of this week's 'creativity' leaves. Well done everyone, another brilliant week!

House Points and Birthdays

Congratulations to **Theynes** who were this week's house point winners! Happy birthday to Noah and Leon (Reception) and Rhys (year 1) who have celebrated their birthdays this week. We hope you all had a lovely day!



Bristol Sport Holiday Camp – December 2023

Please see the attached posters for details of Bristol Sport's Christmas holiday camps. The first is taking place at Birdwell School on Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd December. Then they will be at Northleaze on Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd January.

> I hope you all have a good weekend. Victoria Reyes, Headteacher