

Neatishead News

Summer 2017, Issue 1



"Our school is a happy & safe community where everyone shares a love of learning" Our Christian values of respect, responsibility, trust, courage, compassion and perseverance are at its heart"

Message from Julie

The year continues to fly by and the children go from strength to strength. I hope you are able to take the time to look at the website and Facebook page to find out more about what the children are learning at school.

It's so rewarding to see the way children (and staff) come to school with smiles on their faces and leave the school at the end of the day with those same happy smiling faces. Fingers crossed we get to enjoy a lovely sunny run up to the summer holidays. Best wishes to all.

Julie Church

Neatishead & Barton Pre-School

Don't forget to visit their website
www.nbps.org.uk



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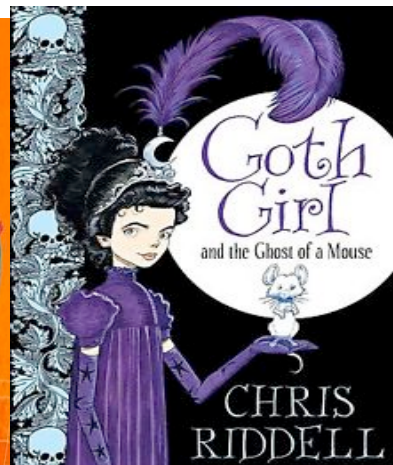
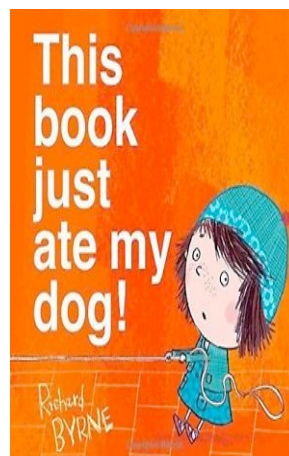
Contact us on:
Tel 01692 630241

Dates for your Diary

Mon 5 th June	Back to school
Fri 16 th June	Yr 6 induction day - BHS
19 th – 21 st June	Residential – Holt Hall
22 nd June	Yr 6 Induction day - BHS
22 nd June	School trip to theatre - Fantastic Mr Fox Yr R – Yr 5
23 rd June	Yr 6 induction day - BHS
29 th June, 6 th July & 13 th July	Yr 5 & 6 – On road cycling – more details to follow shortly
4 th July	Sports Day
5 th July	Yr 5 & 6 – White Horse Bowls Club
7 th July	FONS BBQ – 6pm
10 th – 14 th July –	Drama Week
19 th July	Whole school trip to Cromer
21 st July	Last Day of Term

A Great Read...

9+ readers: "Goth Girl and the Ghost of a Mouse" by Chris Riddell – What a fantastic world! Read this book together; "This book just ate my dog" by Richard Byrne. All about a badly behaved book!



Red Skippers



This half term has whizzed by! We are loving our topic "Oh I do like to be beside the seaside"! We have shared some fantastic stories, learnt about a famous author and written fabulous poems and information. The children have loved comparing seaside holidays today with those 100 years ago, although no one liked the idea of a woollen swimming costume!



Thank you for the wood, pots and canes you sent in for our bug hotel. We have seen some signs of bug habitat building already! We are using our log circle for our snack time, and we are learning some campfire songs!



Our outdoor learning sessions have been lots of fun, and we have enjoyed having parents joining our learning. Remember - you are all welcome to join us on a Friday afternoon!



Message from Lucy Conway Parent Governor on the Governing Body



Hello!

I have been a parent governor and Neatishead for several years and have seen several changes in staff and pupils.

Since my term in office, Neatishead has become federated with Salhouse Primary School. Throughout all this I have seen progression in every way and feel the school continues to go from strength to strength.

Lucy Conway

School Uniform

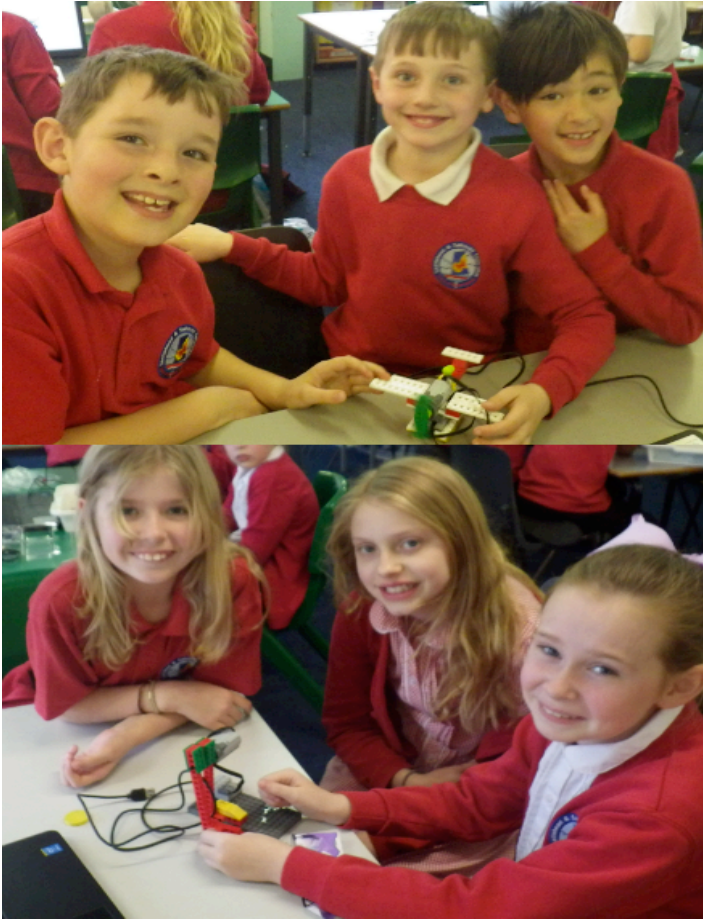
Hopefully you have had the opportunity to look at the new uniform supplier's website. There is a good selection of clothes at a reasonable price, and what's more, they are delivered direct to your door. Please see notice on front door with latest dates for ordering leading up to the summer's holidays.



www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com

Peacock Class

Peacock Class enjoyed using Lego – they successfully set code and created algorithms. Many pupils were also able to manipulate sound and attach these to instructions!



Below: planting tomatoes and Russian Giant sunflowers.



Homework Survey

Thank you for your hugely positive comments and support of homework. Improvements for next year shall include score cards for Big Maths, creative drawing (alternating with spelling word searches), stamps to notify parents work was returned on time.



Aeroplanes

During maths lessons we have been using aeroplanes to measure:
Force, Distance and Climate
Conditions...



Year 5 & 6 Visited High Altitude, read their recount on our school website!



...you will also find our successful complex sentences online!



Drama week at Neatishead

NABS very generously donated money for the school to spend in a manner that promotes performing arts. We have planned a drama week, 10th-14th July which will involve the whole school.

Monday - Mrs Church will lead drama sessions linked to Commedia del arte.

Tuesday - Pip Session from Mad Red Theatre and Broadland Youth Theatre will lead a 'play in a day' for KS2 which will be hopefully performed to Red Skippers and parents/carers.

Wednesday - Garlic Theatre Company will present 'George and the Dragon' to the whole school followed with a shadow puppetry workshop. Garlic Theatre are an international award winning company.

Thursday - Premier Performing Arts will be getting creative with the children.

Friday - After a busy week, Peacocks will create films which will record the week's activities and will be shown on the website.

Red skippers will also record their memories of the week in a way they can share with families.

We will update you nearer the time.



Our website is now back up and running with new things being added all the time. Please contact the office if you would like something to be included. School polices are also being added as they are updated so please keep checking.

We have had 634 visits this month!

www.neatisheadprimaryschool.co.uk

TAPESTRY

Please could all parents of Reception children upload any photos' & comments onto the **Tapestry** website using the login issued to you. There is also going to be a half term challenge so log on and have a go.

Good luck!

Mrs Davies

Attendance

As a whole school we aim to reach a target of 96%. Our overall school attendance (May 2017) is

93.02%.

For more information about school attendance and absence please visit www.gov.uk/school-attendance-absence/overview

High attendance is linked to high achievers.

Parent Views

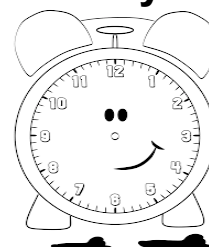
Please have your say about Neatishead C of E Primary School by visiting <http://www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk> or by emailing head@neatishead.norfolk.sch.uk

Your view really does matter to us and help us take actions to make school improvements.

A little reminder.

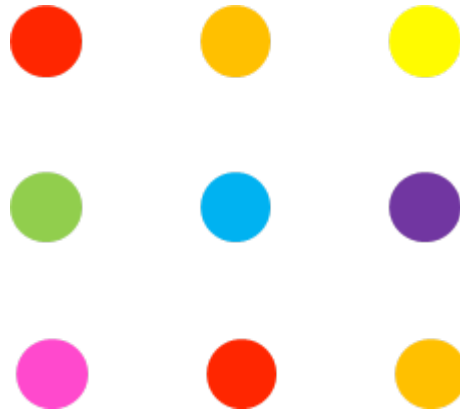
The school bell is rung at 08:40am and it is really important for all children to be in school by that time so teachers can start lessons promptly.

Thank you.



Maths Puzzle from Ms Church...

Can you join all the nine dots with just four straight lines without taking your pencil off the page? You cannot go over any line twice!



Outdoor Fun Challenge! 5 things to do with sticks!

- Make a picture frame
- Build a stick tower
- Paint them to make magic wands
- Use as a pair of drumsticks on a stone or log
- Write your name in sticks!

‘Compassion’

The Christian core value next term is compassion. We will enjoy reflecting on Bible stories that help us to understand the meaning of compassion and forgiveness.

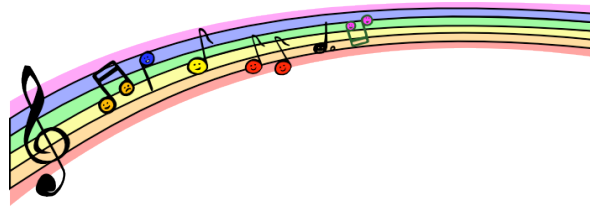
‘The Lord is gracious, compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love’ - Psalms

e-safety – www.safetynetkids.org.uk Top Tip –
Don't post any personal information online like
your address, email or mobile number.

Well done Y6!

Congratulations Year 6 for working so hard and trying your best during SATs week; fantastic individual and team effort. Thank you to all the staff, parents & carers for all the support and encouragement they gave to the year 6 pupils. WELL DONE!

CHOIR



*Our new community choir is sounding fabulous!
We are learning to sing "We all live in a yellow submarine" and "Peace like a river", both of which are in two parts. Everyone is singing brilliantly and having fun!
Do join us after school every Friday.*

Mrs Davies

Collective Worship

We enjoy collective worship every morning. Tuesdays always feel a bit more special as they are led by a member of one of our churches. We are always happy to welcome Revd David, Revd Nev, Revd Rob and Mrs Lamb.

Our Collective Worship is a wonderful time for us to ask questions, reflect and sing together.



Allsorts!

We started the half term with the story of Hannah, in the book of 1 Samuel in the Bible, asking God for a son. This prompted our Big Question "Does God always answer prayer?" What a lot of discussion this has created and a lot of other questions too! Does it matter who prays or where we pray? Is there a right way to pray? Why do some prayers never seem to be answered? We have then followed the life of Samuel as he was called to serve God and lead the people of God. What a difficult job that was; the people were so quick to forget the amazing things God had done for them from Egypt, through the Wilderness and into the Promised Land. Perhaps your child can remember some of those great miracles? The children are enthusiastic, learning verses and remembering some tricky names each week! We are looking forward to next half term when we will find out about the first king of Israel and the next Big Question!

