



Neatishead News

October 2017

"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

Dear All, We have got off to a great start this year! The reception children have settled in so well and we have been pleased to welcome back the older pupils. It never ceases to amaze me how much enthusiasm the children have for learning and experiencing new things. They work and play very hard and we have a huge respect for the progress they are making. There is so much look forward to in the coming months as we steam ahead towards Christmas! Thank you for all your continued support.

Julie Church

Dates for your Diary

Please see attached dates for your diary. These are also available on the website. Please contact the school office if you would

FONS (Friends of Neatishead School)

FONS are a group of parents, grandparents & carers who volunteer their time to help organise and run fund raising events and fun activities throughout the school year. FONS is open to everyone that wants to help support the school and the children.

All monies raised by FONS goes directly to the benefit of the children and the school. We help towards school trips, textbooks, P.E equipment plus lots lots more.

The committee meet regularly and are always looking to recruit new members.

If you are keen to help out in any way, please contact the school office for more details.

Upcoming events: DISCO – 24th November
CHRISTMAS FAIR – 15th December
2 RIVERS TRAIL – Sat 18th November

Neatishead & Barton Pre-School

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



We currently have 62 followers.

Contact us on:
Tel 01692 630241

CLUBS

Children having been taking part in 2 new clubs after school:

Performing Arts – The children have been learning routines to put on a show for parents in December (more details to follow)



Premier Sports – Children have been trying out a range of sports both inside and outside. Both clubs will continue after half term.

Results

We are pleased with our results for 2016-2017.

Headlines:

71% of our reception pupils reached a Good Level of development which is in line with the national average.

86% of our Year 1s were at age related expected in Phonics which is above the national average.

100% of children in Year 2 were at age related expectations or above in reading which is above the national average.

100% of children in Year 2 were at age related expectations or above in writing which is above the national average.

100% of our Year 6 children were at age related expectations or above in Reading, Maths & Writing combined which is in line with the national average.

More details will be posted on our website after half term.

We are so very very proud of all our pupils! Amazing!

New pupils

We must give another huge welcome to all our new reception children who started 'big school' in September. Where would we be without you all?

Harry, Alfie, Lewis, Henry, Seth, Jack, Amber, Ella and Faye.



Puzzle Challenge

Spaghetti is famous for the way it all gets tangled up on the plate. Those of you who think they know their alphabet are bound to get all tangled up with this puzzle too, unless you read it and think about it very carefully!

What letter of the alphabet is the one which comes eight letters before the letter which comes five letters after the fourth appearance of the first letter to occur four times in this sentence?



Don't forget to order any new uniform from the company below.



www.brigadeuniformdirect.uk.com

A message from Mrs Davies

Studying for a qualification to lead Forest School learning in our school has been more than amazing! Over the past six months I have spent five days at Holt Hall exploring why children should have greater opportunities to learn and play outside. Play is a word which is underused in school, but children learn the most from having a go, by problem solving and by being given time to think. We want our children to be resilient, independent, have good self-esteem and to be motivated by their own success. Forest School gives our children an opportunity to initiate their own learning, and learn to challenge themselves and take appropriate risk. We are all enjoying playing and learning outside - the laughter, discussions and ideas are joyous to hear.



A message from Mr Murphy

New Technologies

There are four areas of computing we wish to develop:

Computer Science - we hope words such as program, code, algorithm and binary become a staple diet during lesson activities. A hands-on approach to creating, then fixing a problem is a satisfying experience for any child. Pupils already have experience building Lego animatronics and mechanical Bee-Bots. We have exciting new purchases on the way, including Binary Robots and Spheros. Have you heard about Spheros? Imagine being able to control Star Wars' BB-8 wirelessly using code developed on an iPad!

Digital Literacy - children aim to save, delete, amend and retrieve data as they become more independent. A common theme throughout all areas of the curriculum.

Information Technology - using everyday hardware such as torches and stop watches is a key part of our school investigations; notably PE and science lessons. Using the data saved on those devices allows pupils to create their own presentations!

e-safety - a key concern of many parents...with our new, faster broadband available, children at Neatishead also have access to a wider variety of resources. They also have an increased level of **responsibility** to keep themselves, and their friends safe - part of daily discussions at school. We are producing a whole school video about this subject - exciting!

Family Information Service

Norfolk Family Information Service (FIS) offers guidance, advice and information on childcare to families with children age 0-19 (age 0-25 with additional needs). If families have issues that are affecting their wellbeing, we can signpost them to other support services and organisations.

We also offer advice and support to all childcare providers in Norfolk and other professionals and organisations.

Norfolk FIS was awarded the Families First Quality Award in 2016, in recognition of excellence in providing information, advice and assistance to local families.



Our Team Captains

EDWARD (red captain)



I feel really important being a team captain because it makes me feel more important and responsible

AMELIA (Yellow captain)



I feel happy about being a team captain because my team mates are kind and encouraging

LACEY (Blue captain)



I feel really thankful and excited because this is very responsible

CODY (Green Captain)



I enjoy being a team captain

Meet a Governor.

Hi,

I have been a Governor at the Neatishead and Salhouse Schools since May 2016. My specific responsibilities include supporting and monitoring SEN, Well-Being and Accessibility.

Over the last few months I have been delighted to be invited to help individual pupils with their Maths and reading, and this has provided me with an opportunity to get to know both schools, the staff and the children, so much better. How wonderful it is to see how everyone works together to ensure such a positive atmosphere in which to learn and grow. It makes me very proud to be a Governor.

Jude McGill

Co-opted Governor



Have you visited the website lately? Visit it at the address below. You can also follow our Facebook page when you visit the website

www.neatisheadprimaryschool.co.uk

Attendance

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

97.43%.

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 s

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

Science Experiment Bloppy Bottles

You will need

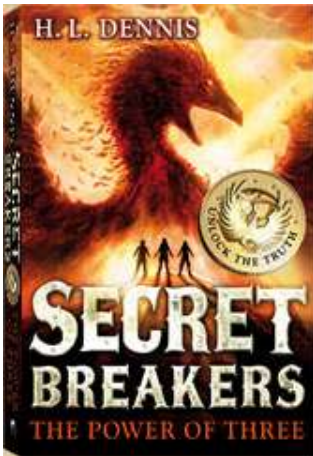
- A clean 1 litre clear soda bottle
- 3/4 cup of water
- Vegetable Oil
- Fizzing tablets (such as Alka Seltzer)
- Food colouring

What to do

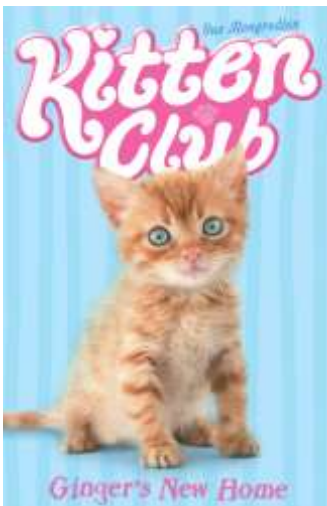
1. Pour the water into the bottle.
2. Use a measuring cup or funnel to slowly pour the vegetable oil into the bottle until it's almost full. You may have to wait a few minutes for the oil and water separate.
3. Add 10 drops of food colouring to the bottle (we like red, but any colour will look great.) The drops will pass through the oil and then mix with the water below.
4. Break a seltzer tablet in half and drop the half tablet into the bottle. Watch it sink to the bottom and let the blobby greatness begin!
5. To keep the effect going, just add another tablet piece. For a true lava lamp effect, shine a flashlight through the bottom of the bottle.



Good reads

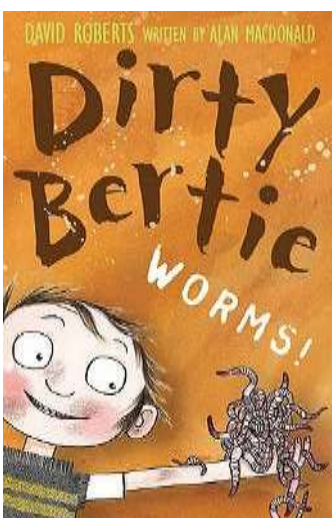


Brodie and her friends join an exciting secret team and try to solve the most mysterious code in the world, but enemies are trying to stop them. Suitable for 9 years +



Amy and her friends form a kitten club with their adorable kittens.

Suitable for 6 - 8 years



Dirty Bertie is a boy with disgusting habits, madcap plans and crazy ideas.

Fans of Horrid Henry will love this book.

Suitable for 6 year +

