



Neatishead C of E Primary School

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Another academic year draws to an end. When I look back at what has been happening at school there is so much to smile about and so much that makes me realise why we are all ready for the summer break. 'Thank you to the pupils, parents, staff, governors and friends of Neatishead Primary for making our school such a great place to learn.

Let's hope the sun shines and you all have a happy summer holiday

Julie Church

Clubs – Performing Arts will continue on Tuesday 10th September 2019 and run until Tuesday 10th December 2019.

Premier Sports will continue on Wednesday 11th September 2019 and run until Wednesday 11th December 2019.

Letters will be sent home on the first day of the new term. Places are allocated on a first come basis and will be open to all year groups.

Attendance this year to date is:

Whole School 96.34 %

Red Skippers Class 95.71% Peacocks Class 96.91%

Our aim is 97%

E safety

T – talk about the online world

E – Explore being online together

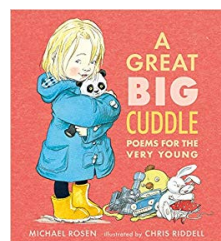
A – Agree what is and is not ok

M – Manage settings and controls

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Core Value

Our key core value this half term is Compassion. A great book written by Michael Rosen and illustrated by Chris Ridell is:



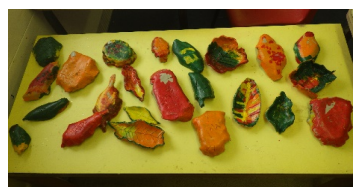
Reading this and similar books is a lovely way to think about compassion



RED SKIPPERS

Our Wind in the Willows topic has been engaging, exciting and adventurous! We have enjoyed sharing the story, acting as the characters and writing our own versions of the story in a book for us to take home. We have learnt about lifecycles of frogs and turkeys, especially enjoying waiting for our turkey eggs to hatch. Everyone enjoyed meeting Terry the turkey and he is growing quickly. We have been writing to Terry and loving his postcard replies! Our adventure day at The Barton Turf Activity Centre was fabulous. We went on a boat trip to look for Ratty's hole in the bank and we peered across the broad looking for Tod Hall. We also went pond dipping and found a huge range of water creatures including water boatmen, water fleas and dragonfly larvae.

We have had a brilliant year full of learning, fun and adventures. Here is a selection of photos from this term for you to enjoy.





National tests

As you may know the government assess pupils in Year R, 1, 2 and 6. Our teachers are expert in preparing children to reach the standards needed to take the assessments and we are always astounded by the progress your children are able to make with their learning.

Well done to Year 6 pupils who recently completed their national assessments (SATS). It is always a little nerve-racking but we are so proud of the way they just got on with it and tried their best which is all we can ever ask of them.

Did you know in 2020 pupils in Year 4 nationally will be assessed on their multiplication tables?

<https://matr.org/blog/everything-parents-need-know-sats-2019/>

Out of School Childcare Demand Survey

The annual Norfolk County Council Childcare Sufficiency Assessment requires a report of the views of parents/carers to be included regarding their experience of childcare provision for their children.

The information will be used to ensure we provide sufficient childcare for parents who need it. This year I'm seeking your assistance to distribute the survey more widely.

I'm hopeful that you are able and willing to publish the link below as soon as possible on your website and newsletters to encourage take up of the survey. The survey is open now and closes on 31 July. The link is:

www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/childcaredemand/

Many thanks in anticipation

A big thank you to everyone who supported us at the recent BBQ, either by helping out or coming along. We hope that you all had a great time, and we're looking forward to next year. We were however, disappointed with the turnout this year, which was low compared to previous years. There was also less support than usual for the Christmas Fair and Easter Lucky Squares earlier in the year. This means that we raised a lot less money over the course of the year, and won't be able to pay for as much for the children next year.

We realise that money is tight and people are busy, but these events are held as fundraisers not just for fun, and if they are not supported, they won't be able to continue.

All the money that FONS raises goes towards supporting the children. This year we've paid for new library books, games, technology, art supplies, choc ices at sports day and the children's annual Easter Egg hunt. We have subsidised the cost of trips to make them cheaper for parents - to name a few: Class One trips to Time and Tide Museum, Barton Adventure Centre, Class Two trips to Kew Gardens, Awful Auntie and recently to The Assembly House and The Puppet Theatre.

We want to continue supporting all these fun activities for the children, but we need your help to do so. FONS

Term Dates:

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| 4 th Sept 2019 | All children return to school |
| 17 th October | RE Day – more details to follow |
| 18 th October | Break up for half term |
| 28 th October | Back to school |
| 15 th Nov | Individual & siblings photos – 1.15pm |
| 13 th Dec | Whole school trip to the circus |
| 18 th Dec | Break up for Christmas |
| 6 th Jan 2020 | Back to school |