

29th March 2018



"Welcome to NPS!"

We extend a warm welcome to a new pupil in Year 2, and her family, who have joined us recently.

Whole School Homework: Sent out on Tuesday 27th March due in Thursday 19th April. Children can make their own puppet/puppets. They can create their own character, or re-create one of their favourite characters from a story that they love reading. Children could make finger puppets, sock puppets, they could use wooden spoons/lolly sticks, or create their own unique design. Children need to produce a piece of writing to accompany their puppet e.g. instructions, a play, a description...

Easter Eggs – Thank you to everyone who donated Easter Eggs to be donated to the Share Shop in Chester who will pass them on to local homeless children. Thanks also to Heather Babbs Year 5, Roger Babbs and Julie Boccara for organising this collection. In total we collected **146 eggs**. Well done NPS!

Football Kit: Thank you to those of you who have donated unwanted football kits for the orphanage in Malawi we are still collecting these if anybody would like to make a donation.

Refugee Assembly: Parents of Year 5 children were invited into school to watch a fantastic performance put together by the children. Parents then had the opportunity to view the children's workbooks in the classroom.

Sponsored Silence: Y5 took part in a day of Silence on Wednesday 27th March and they have raised **£508.02** to be donated to 'Active Hands' charity who visit Y5 every week, thank you to all who donated. That is a fantastic amount and it was a very quiet day in Y5!

Pokemon Sessions: Y4 & Y5 had the opportunity to take part in a 'FREE GO' Pokemon session held in school recently. It was a very enjoyable educational session.

Image Musical Theatre: On Thursday 29th March the whole school watched a performance of '**Robin Hood**' performed by Image Musical Theatre. The performance was, as usual, of a very high standard and very enjoyable.

PFA - Recycling Day – Wednesday 28th March: Thank you to our hard working PFA for organising the Recycling day. Thank you to those of you who were able to fill a bag with unwanted clothing etc. and in doing so helped to raise money for school.

PFA – School Uniform: The PFA has signed up to a new on line supplier of school uniform called 'Easy'. Further information available from Mrs Gardiner – PFA (Parent of Y3 & Y4 pupils).

Musical Success: A number of our budding musicians from Y4 & Y5 Harper Cross-Menzies, Grace Tedford, Jack Roberts & Aimee Wood all passed their Trinity College London Music Exams this month. Congratulations to them all. Mrs Lea was very proud of the children's high standard of achievement.

Easter Lunch: Yesterday The children enjoyed an Easter themed meal prepared by Mrs Shakespeare and her team.



Swimming: Swimming will recommence after the Easter holiday on **Wednesday 18th April** for Year 3 class.

After School Clubs: The new after school clubs will begin after the Easter holidays. You will receive a timetable of clubs on offer and a date to sign up.

Attendance: Attendance for last week:

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| Year 6 97.1 % | Year 5 95.5% |
| Year 4 94.1% | Year 3 95% |
| Year 2 91.7% | Year 1 94.8% |

Reception 84.3%

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Attendance: Attendance for this week:

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| Year 6 93.8% | Year 5 94.4% |
| Year 4 89.2% | Year 3 95.7% |
| Year 2 92.9% | Year 1 92.6% |

Reception 80.4%

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National Curriculum Tests: A reminder that **Year 6 SATs** will take place during the week of **14th May 2018**. It is essential that all Y6 children are in school that week as these tests cannot be taken at any other time.

Year 2 SATs will take place throughout the month of May.

Diary Dates:

March 2018

Thursday 29th: Image Musical Theatre Production for the whole school 'Robin Hood' Donations requested towards the cost of this show.

Thursday 29th March – school closes for Easter holidays

April 2018

Monday 16th: School re-opens

Tuesday 17th: Y1 trip – Lady Lever Art Gallery

Wednesday 18th: Y3 Swimming (week 1)

Tuesday 24th: Y4 Burwardsley residential (3 days)

Wednesday 25th: p.m. Y5/Y6 Inter schools orienteering competition at NPS

Friday 27th: 9.30-11.30 a.m. First Aid Workshop with parents – ICT Suite

May 2018

Monday 7th: Bank Holiday – School closed

Wednesday 23rd: Y4/Y5 trip to Liverpool – Old Hebrew Synagogue

Friday 25th: Felix, Drummer with R/Y1 & Y2

Community News:

Neston Nomads need your help !!!!!

The local children's football club need your help to secure funding from the FA for a new 4G pitch with lights and perimeter fencing this will bring much needed facilities for children in the area.

"All we are asking is for people to email Keith Penny at kpenny@THE-PRIORY.co.uk stating that you support our bid for funding and why, then we can pass it on to the F.A. - Thank you!"

Gordale Nurseries: Family Fun Spring trail 31st March

11 am – 5 p.m. £2.50 per child also running from

2nd April – 8th April 2018

Easter Bonnet Competition 12 p.m Market Square on Good Friday 30th March 2018.

Why not visit The Craft Shack – Paint your own pottery studio, 51 West Vale, Little Neston, Tele: 07716072 804 for more information

Communication with School:

Please speak to a member of staff face-to face.

Please ring school and speak to a member of staff.

Please ring or talk to the ladies in the office – Mrs Carole Cottrell, Mrs Grace Radcliff or

Mrs Natalie Vanden. Please leave a message on our answer phone 0151 338 2500

Please e-mail school –

admin@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk

If you ask a question via our Facebook page, you may not get a reply straight away, as we don't monitor Facebook 24/7.

A quick way to keep up with news and photos from school is to join our **Facebook Page** – search for

'Friends of Neston Primary School' or follow us on **Twitter - @Neston_Primary_** We also upload images and news to our

Website. www.nestonprimaryschool.co.uk

If you have asked to join our Facebook group and have not been added, it may be that I don't recognise your name or photo – please let me know and I will add you to the group.

If you have any issues to discuss regarding your child/children please feel free to come into school to make an appointment with the class teacher or myself.

R Golding (Headteacher)

If you want, or need, to contact members of the Governing Body you can either drop a letter/note into the school office or contact the chair of Governors via our e-mail address admin@nestonpri.cheshire.sch.uk

Currently, our Parent Governors and Community Governors are: Mrs Kate Davies (Mum of Hollie Davies Y5), Mr Richard Shuker (Dad of Evie Shuker Y6 & Joseph Shuker Y1)

School Closes for Easter on THURSDAY 29th March and re-opens on MONDAY 16th April.

Happy Easter and thank you for your support over the past term. We do value the strong links we have between home and school.