

## Happy New Year!

Welcome back to the Spring Term at Nelson Infant School! We would like to extend a particularly warm welcome to those children and families joining our school community this term!

We would also like to welcome Mrs Stephanie Garthwaite and Miss Renée Jacques to the staff team. Mrs Garthwaite is working as a teaching assistant in Year 2 and Miss Jacques has joined our MSA team. We are looking forward to welcoming Miss Sam Naylor to the teaching staff team this term. Miss Naylor will be teaching Beech Class when Miss Knights leaves at half term with teaching assistant support from Miss Mata. Our school improvement plans this term will be focused on embedding our new Behaviour Policy, ensuring 'every lesson counts' for all pupils and continuing to review and develop our school vision, values and wider curriculum. As always, we are keen to give parents and carers opportunities to spend time in school with their child, share ideas and find out more about our development plans and we hope you are able to join us for some of the planned events this term (see Diary Dates overleaf).

## Behaviour Policy Update

We were all really pleased with the way the children responded to the introduction of our new Behaviour Policy last term. As part of our ongoing review of new initiatives introduced in school, we have made some slight changes to the Golden Rules in order to help everyone in our school learn and remember them. We have also chosen to collect team tokens in year group teams this term so children in each class can work together to get as many tokens as they can. We were keen to make sure adults in school and at home know when a child has been given a team token as a reward for remembering the rules or doing some super learning so will be giving children a sticker when they get a team token too. If your child comes home wearing a sticker, please ask them what they did to get a token and be proud of them! We will continue to celebrate particularly brilliant achievements through our Golden Book too. Please see attached for a copy of the updated Golden Rules and Consequences system.

## ***School starts at 10 to 9, Bertie says be on time!***

Please make sure your child arrives at school **on time every day**. The evidence proves that good attendance and punctuality helps children learn and make progress.



Children arriving after 9:00am **must** be taken to the school office where parents/carers **must** complete the Late Book. If you would like further advice or support with your child's attendance, please come and speak to Mrs Regester, our Parent Support Adviser.

## **Reading Superstars**

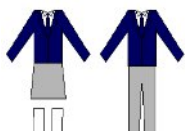
Congratulations to Gabriel and Jack (Year R), Jack and Matilda (Year 1) and Harvey and Ethan (Year 2) whose bookmarks were picked out of the Reading Superstar boxes at the end of term. These children each won a picture book as a prize.

Please support your child with reading at home, recording books read on their bookmark. Extra bookmarks are always available from your child's class teacher.

Don't forget to put completed bookmarks in the boxes in the hall to be in with a chance to win this term!

### Lost Property

Please make sure all of your child's belongings, including their coat, school uniform and PE kit are named. This makes it much easier to find things which go missing.



### Bikes and Scooters

If your child 'parks' their bike or scooter in the bike rack at the front of school during the day, please provide a bike lock to keep it safe and secure. We cannot take responsibility for bikes and scooters left unlocked.



### Spring Term Diary Dates 2018



**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January** Year 2 Ukulele Concerts for Parents and Carers  
Beech Class at 1.30pm, Sycamore Class at 2pm

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January** Year R Trip to Norwich Castle

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January** Friends meeting in the hall at 9.20am

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January** Fire Engine visiting Year 2

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January** Year 1 Multiskills Festival at Easton College

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January** Whole Class Ukulele Lessons start in Year 1

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January** Year 1 Phonics Information session for Parents & Carers in the hall at 9am or 2:30pm

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January** Year 2 Dance Showcase at OPEN

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January** Year 2 Assessment Information session for Parents & Carers in the hall at 9am or 2:30pm

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February** Whole School Multicultural Music Day

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** School Disco 5:15pm-6:30pm

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February** Safer Internet Day

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February** Parent/Teacher Learning Review meetings 3:15pm-5:30pm

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February** Parent/Teacher Learning Review meetings 3:15pm-7:00pm

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February-Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February** HALF TERM

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February** Konflux Theatre 'E-Safety' Workshops for Y1 and Y2 children

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February** Headteacher Parent Forum in the hall 9am or 2:30pm

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February** Norse Catering 'Taster' session for Parents & Carers 2:30pm

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** Cherry Class Campfire sessions

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February** SCHOOL CLOSED Staff Training Day

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February** Beech Class Learning Café with Parents & Carers 2:00pm

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March** 'World Book Day' Story Day & Book Character Dress Up Day

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** Hazel Class Campfire sessions

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** Sycamore Class Learning Café with Parents & Carers 2:00pm

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March** Garlic Theatre '*Little Red Robin Hood*'

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March** Year 1 Trip to Easton College to see the baby lambs! ☺

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March** Cherry Class Learning Café with Parents & Carers 2:00pm

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March** Hazel Class Learning Café with Parents & Carers 2:00pm

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** Sport Relief

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March** KS1 (Y1 & Y2) Easter Assembly and Activity Morning with Parents & Carers 9:15am-10:30am

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March** Reception Easter Assembly and Activity Morning with Parents & Carers 9:15am-10:30am

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March** End of Term

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March** SCHOOL CLOSED Staff Training Day

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> April-Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April** EASTER HOLIDAY

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April** School reopens for Summer Term