



Nelson News

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY — PLEASE READ

Monday 26 June
Wednesday 28 June

Thursday 29 June
Friday 30 June
Wednesday 5 & 7 July

Y6 PGL Parent Meeting 9.00am
Y5 Taster Afternoon
Choir Concert for Parents 3.30pm
Y3 Gatton Park
1L Assembly 9.30
Possible Teacher Strike

Nelson Stars



Our Nelson Stars this week are: Flo 6N, Matteo 6M, Abigale 5R, all of 5S. Oskar 4B, Harry 2M, Jack 1L.

Well done you received a certificate and will be celebrated in assembly.

Arts Week

We had such a successful Arts Week! Children immersed themselves into Henri Rousseau's "Surprised!" painting and created stories, drama, dances, body percussion and learnt songs around this painting. What talented children we have! If you want to see all the performances they are uploaded onto LOD. Enjoy!



Headteacher Awards This Week

Hope 2M	Anaiyah 4B
Ayla 2M	Sofia 4B
David 2M	
Harry 2M	Oskar 4B
Abi 5R	

You received a headteacher award and will be entered into a raffle each term to win a prize from Mrs Ward. Well done!



ATTENDANCE MATTERS
every student, every day



Whole School Attendance is 93 %

Whole school expectation is 97%

Nelson School is committed to safeguarding – a shared responsibility
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Y5 & Y6 Aspirations Week

Thank you so much to everyone involved in inspiring our next generation of learners. They learned about becoming a vet and what a typical day is like. They enjoyed learning about the power of breath work and how it can help when times get difficult. They loved learning about working in TV as a singer/entertainer. They were inspired by the G.P who talked about her day at her practice. They learnt about the role of the RSPCA, a play therapist, a school nurse and had a zoom talk from a marine biologist.

Reya, 5R said. 'Aspirations week really helped me to focus on what I would like to do. I didn't really know what direction to go in but now I feel I am able to make lots of choices. I really liked the music teacher/guitarist'.

Lily H, 5R said. 'I wasn't really sure what I wanted to become when I get older but I really enjoyed the vet, and after listening to the vet confirms that I would love to become a vet'.

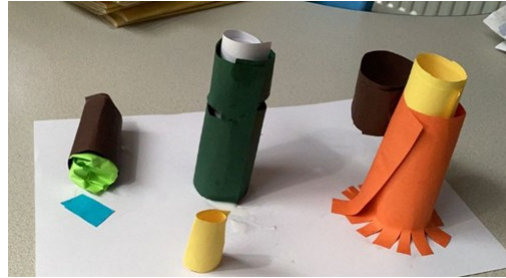


Aatman Y5 wrote 'We had so many people in school like dancers, footballers, and police'.

Imaan Y5 wrote 'Aspirations week is a week where different people with exciting jobs come into school and describe their job and maybe bring in cool stuff related to their job'

Year 1

Children in Year 1 have been very busy learning how to manipulate paper to create 3D sculptures. They discovered that paper can be changed from 2D to 3D by folding, rolling and scrunching. They looked at and got inspired by Samantha Stephenson sculptures. Great work Year 1!



Isa

Patrycja



Zane

Mia



Ella

Y4 Farm Visit

We have been working with School Food Matters learning about how the food we eat is made and produced. We have been learning about processed foods and healthy alternatives. This week we visited a fruit farm where we picked fruit and weighed them to bring them back to school to make a chutney.



Amelie Y4 said . 'I loved the experience, but I felt that there could be more room for the fruits to grow. I have grown strawberries in my garden before however, these were different because they were grown in bigger patches'.

Choir



On Saturday, 17th June, several children from the school choir gathered at St. Augustine's Church to sing in front of an audience of over 200 people. We were joined by the choirs at Bishop Perrin and Heathfields. Each choir sang four songs and for the grand finale, all three choirs sang 'Sing' by Gary Barlow together. The children sang incredibly well and we were highly praised on the day for our talent and our conduct. The choir hope to perform these songs again in an assembly for the rest of the school and of course in our end of year concert for parents.

Warm Weather Warning

As the weather is getting warmer, please ensure that your child comes into school everyday with a water bottle, sun cream and a hat to be worn at breaktimes. We also still have a number of bugs passing around the school. Parents are reminded that if your child picks up a tummy bug and suffers from vomiting, has diarrhoea or both, they **MUST** stay off school for 48 hours from their last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea. This is to prevent these bugs spreading to other children and adults in the school.

Please see this handy NHS website which can help decide whether your child can be in school.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

If you have any questions regarding your child's condition, please contact either Mrs de Wet Steyn or Mrs Shah

Payment Reminders

Please kindly check your ParentPay account and try to ensure everything is paid. If parents forget to pay then the deficit comes out of school's budget.

Bike Shed

Please can you talk to your children about storing their bikes safely in the bike sheds. Sometimes the bikes are dumped one on top of the other and this becomes very difficult for children to get their bikes at the end of the day. Your cooperation is much appreciated. We are also missing a scooter, a tall dark-pink one. If you have taken it home by accident please can you let the school office know or return it back to the bike shed.

Possible Teacher Strikes

I am sure you will be aware from the media that the National Education Union (NEU) has announced some proposed strike days for our area on the following days:

- Wednesday 5th July
- Friday 7th July

Teachers are not compelled to inform their Headteacher on their plans to strike. It is therefore impossible to know until the morning of each strike day whether the class will have a teacher. As such, it is vital that parents plan for alternative childcare.

On the morning of a strike day, an email will be sent by 8am informing you if your child's class is open or closed. We will also contact parent reps.

It is important to recognise that all schools locally will have varying numbers of NEU members; therefore, the impact of the potential strike will differ from school to school. We are aware that a large majority of teachers at Nelson are part of the NEU and therefore the option to strike is open to them.

If the strikes go ahead, I appreciate that this will cause disruption to our families. Our teachers who choose to strike do not take such action lightly. As with other public sector workers, we have to respect the right of individuals to strike, in which they bear the inevitable financial consequences that brings. Whilst we are aware that members of the NEU are intending to strike, there is also the possibility that through ongoing negotiations the strike may not take place.

If your child attends a school activity club or breakfast club, you will receive a separate letter with further details. If I receive any additional information prior to the strike dates I will update you. In the meantime, I would strongly advise you to make alternative childcare arrangements for your child on the dates outlined above

Library Reading Challenge

From Saturday 8 July 2023 children in the borough can sign up for the challenge at their local Richmond upon Thames library and receive a Ready, Set, Read! poster. To take part, a child needs to be a member of the library and have their own library card. For each of six library books they read they can collect a sticker for their colourful collector poster. Children can update their progress through the challenge at any library in the borough. Everyone who reads six library books is rewarded in the library with a gold medal and certificate. Ready, Set, Read! ends in the borough on Saturday 9 September 2023.

The Summer Reading Challenge is the UK's biggest children's reading initiative for 4 –11-year-olds and is produced by The Reading Agency and delivered by libraries. This year's Summer Reading Challenge is Ready, Set, Read! Developed in partnership with the Youth Sports Trust, it is a sports and games themed Challenge that aims to keep children's minds and bodies active over the summer break.

Vacancy at Bishop Perrin

We are looking for a friendly, organised, and enthusiastic person to be our new Breakfast Club Manager and to oversee the running of our in-school Breakfast Club provision at Bishop Perrin School, starting as of 1st September 2023.

The successful candidate will be responsible for the smooth running of Breakfast Club by ensuring the children maintain the high standards of behaviour expected of them at school. The Breakfast Club Manager is responsible for:

- ordering the appropriate food required for the children
- preparing the food for when the children arrive at Breakfast Club (cereals and toast)
- ensuring that there is adequate and suitable play equipment and activities for the children to use
- to tidy away at the end of the session.

The job is during term time only. The hours are 7.30-8.45am Monday to Friday, which allows for setting up and clearing away, with an additional hour paid for food ordering and admin (7.25 hours per week in total). Please email the School Office info@bishopperrin.richmond.sch.uk

