



# Nelson News

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## IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY — PLEASE READ

**Monday 16 Jan**

**Y5 Victorian Workshop (Dress Up Optional)**

**Y5 Parents Residential Meeting for Parents 2.30pm**

**Y4 Vikings Workshop (Dress Up Optional)**

**Clubs Start**

**Y5 WonderDome Workshop (Planetarium)**

**Year 3 Assembly 2.30pm**

**Friday 20 Jan**

## Nelson Stars



Our Nelson Stars this week are: Amir 6N, Penny 6M, Deena 5C, Noah 5M, Amelie 4B, Amyra 3N, Nicolas 3B, Olive 2M, Isla 1L. You have received a certificate which will be displayed in the studio and celebrated in assembly. Keep up the great work!

## Headteacher Awards This Week

**Max 4B**

**Liam 4B**

**Jake 1L**

**Olivia 1L**

**Samuel 1L**

**Mia 1L**

**Zane 1L**

**Ellie-Qiyara 1L**

**Maria 4B**

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

## Year 1

We had an amazing day learning about the life of queens and kings in the olden times and today. We sang a song with all the kings and queens of England. We learnt about what a monarch is and where they live. We also made our own coat of arms and had a ball and a banquet fit for a king. We were really lucky to witness a dragon fight too.



## Well Done



Some pupils from Year 6 took part in our very first dodgeball competition. 'We walked to Twickenham School, and although it's only down the road we had to try and keep up with Mr Abbott—he is a really fast walker but we used this as our warm up session. The tournament was really exciting with lots of schools taking part. We

have been practising our dodgeball during our P.E lesson. However, playing against another school and throwing balls at them uses a different skill... We had to try **not** being nice and **not** being kind, as the aim of the game is to hit your opponent with a ball to get them out. At one stage there were 4 balls being thrown at one person, from all directions! It was fast! It was furious! It was great fun! And exciting! We played really well and got through to the semi finals. Not bad for our first tournament game. We learnt so much from this experience'. **Well done Amir, Amelia S, Flo, Lola, Daren and Mateo Y6**

(By Daren & Mateo).



## Well Done

On Tuesday, Grace visited the local hairdressers, where she made the very brave decision to cut off her long hair! Grace decided that she wanted to help children who have lost their hair to due to illness, so has donated the hair that was cut off to the Little Princess Trust. Grace's hair will be carefully sorted, then used to make a wig which can then be used by a child who needs it. She would like to say a big 'Thank you' to Emma from Colourbar in Whitton who cut her hair so beautifully.



Grace said. ' I was really, nervous at first but as soon as I saw my new hair style I loved it. I also know that I was donating my hair so I felt good about that too'.

## Thank You PTA



Thank you to our wonderful PTA who help raise money for our school in lots of different ways so that all children can benefit. In December, the PTA liaised with the North Pole and Fr. Christmas to bring lots of playground games for us to use. We have been given giant Connect 4, giant chess, giant Jenga, elastic for French skipping, giant Dominoes AND a GIANT BEACH BALL! The office staff loved the giant beach ball too. Apparently, they had to 'risk assess' it first! Ms Ward, Mrs Norman and Mrs Howard also had to 'risk assess' it as it may be too big for anyone under Y3.

## PTA Help Needed

### Rugby Parking Volunteers needed!

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February**

We need volunteers to help with parking on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February. We know how difficult it is to find time to help on the weekends when family life is especially busy but without volunteers, we can't run these events.

Recently we've had several grandparents and older siblings help at our rugby parking events, so if you have a family member who can give their time over a weekend, please send them our details!

These events raise significant funds which help pay for facilities and events such as the Ship, the reception playground improvements, new iPads, the library refurbishment, Christmas panto, living eggs, visiting farm and so much more.

You can sign up here <https://nelsonpta.co.uk/>

## Walking Home

If your child is in Year 6 and you have allowed your child to walk home alone, please request a permission slip from the school office.

## Safeguarding

As safeguarding is a shared responsibility and a high priority for us as a school, we are signed up to Operation Encompass - a national scheme operating between schools and all police forces. This partnership allows information to be provided to us as early as possible enabling us to offer immediate support to children experiencing domestic abuse. Information is provided to the school Designated Safeguarding Lead the day after police have attended a family home where there are children present. More information can be found at [www.operationencompass.org](http://www.operationencompass.org)



## Attendance Matters



**Whole School Attendance is 93.3%**

**Whole school expectation is 97%**

**Regular school attendance is an important part of giving children the best possible start in life.** The aim should be to attend 100% of the time. Students who miss school frequently can fall behind with their work and do less well in exams



## Reminders

Clubs start again on Monday 16 January. You will only be notified if your child does NOT get a place. Please refer to the clubs letter for dates and times.

Please remember that our Nelson car park is for **staff only**.

The ship and trim trail are timetabled during the school day. For safety reasons children should not be using these before or afterschool.

Please do not ride your bikes/scooters across the playground or by the entrance.

Sorry, no dogs allowed on site/at the school gates or premises.

Only water please in water bottles.

Remember that we are a nut free school.

Plimsoles or bare feet for gymnastics, yoga and dance.

## Vacancy

### Part-time Caretaker post at Bishop Perrin CE Primary School, Whitton

Bishop Perrin CE primary School are recruiting for a part-time Caretaker to look after their small and well-maintained school site. The post would suit someone who might be semi-retired and is keen to still keep working, although anyone is welcome to apply if they feel it is suitable for them. For more detail, please click through on the link or phone the school (0208 894 1447). <https://www.eteach.com/job/school-caretaker-1299213>

Please also find details of warm spaces in Hounslow and Richmond borough.

[https://www.richmond.gov.uk/services/cost\\_of\\_living\\_hub/warm\\_spaces/warm\\_spaces\\_directory](https://www.richmond.gov.uk/services/cost_of_living_hub/warm_spaces/warm_spaces_directory)

[https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/homepage/256/warm\\_spaces#:~:text=Until%20March%202023%2C%20warm%20spaces,it%20does%20not%20become%20crowded](https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/homepage/256/warm_spaces#:~:text=Until%20March%202023%2C%20warm%20spaces,it%20does%20not%20become%20crowded)



**Volunteer. Because childhood can't wait.**

If you have parenting experience, a few hours spare each week and want to make a difference to a local family, join our network of trained volunteers, helping families with young children through challenging times. Free volunteer course runs in Whitton on Tuesdays 9.30am-2.30pm from 31 January to 21 March 2023 (not 14 Feb).



To find out more, contact  
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10.00am to 12.30pm EAL Class ETNA Community Centre, 13 Rosslyn Road, Whitton, Twickenham, TW1 2AR (Buses 490, 491, 501 and 493)	10.00am to 12.30pm EAL Class St Philip & James Church Hall, Vicarage Road, Whitton, TW2 7BY (Buses 281, H22)	10.00am to 12.30pm EAL Class ETNA Community Centre, 13 Rosslyn Road, Twickenham, TW1 2AR (Buses 490, 491, 501 and 493)	10.00am to 12.30pm EAL Class Crane Community Centre, 56 Meadow, Twickenham, TW2 6PQ (Buses 490, H22)	10.00am to 12.00pm EAL Class Online Zoom class  Approximately monthly
10.00am to 12.00pm Walk & Talk Meeting at Hampton Hill Gate, usually followed by coffee (Buses R66, R70, 285)	10.00am to 12.00pm Walk & Talk Ham Youth Centre, Ham Close, Richmond, TW10 7PL (Buses 371, 65)	11.30am to 2.30pm EAL Class & Craft Group Ham Close, Richmond, TW10 7PL (Buses 371, 65)	1.00pm to 3.00pm EAL Class ETNA Community Centre, 13 Rosslyn Road, Twickenham, TW1 2AR (Buses 490, 491, 501 and 493)	<b>Sunday</b>  9.30am to 11.30am Women's Friendship Surrey Club (WFSO) Teddington Hydrotherapy Pool Vicarage Road, Teddington, TW11 8EZ (Buses 381, 381)

10.00am to 12.00pm  
Walk & Talk  
Marble Hill Park  
(Meeting near the car park)  
(Buses 490, 110)

10.30am to 1.00pm  
EAL - healthy cooking club  
ETNA Community Centre,  
13 Rosslyn Road, Twickenham, TW1 2AR  
(Buses 490, 491, 501 and 493)

## Warm Space

### Heathfield Children's Centre

Warm space for families with children aged 0 up to 8 years

Free tea, coffee and hot chocolate  
Charge your phones, tablets or laptops  
Age related games and activities  
Quiet space

### MONDAYS, 5PM TO 7PM

Monday 28 November  
Monday 5 December  
Monday 12 December  
Monday 19 December  
(Closed Christmas week)  
Monday 9 January  
Monday 16 January  
Monday 23 January  
Monday 30 January

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**achieving for children**

**Nelson School is committed to safeguarding – a shared responsibility**  
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