



“Starting children off through God’s love and Jesus’ teachings”

Christian Value: Respect

British Value: Rule of Law

Living out the School Vision this Week (Y3):

Curiosity: “I would like to find out the rest of the story of ‘Stone Age Boy,’” shared Zach H.

Compassion: “I looked after my friend at playtime when she was upset,” said Aven.

Resilience: “I worked hard on my speech marks,” reported Gabriel.

Worship quote: “Treat others as you would want them to treat you.” *Matthew 7:12*

Remember in our prayers: the families and friends of the Nottinghamshire school pupil, her mum and a passer-by who tried to help, who were lost, when she was swept into the sea by a large wave.

Welcome back and Happy New Year

I hope that everyone had a good Christmas holiday.

Our new Christian Value is ‘Respect’. The children will be thinking about how they treat others and also about the importance of looking after and caring for belongings and equipment.

Our British Value is ‘The Rule of Law’ and the children will be learning about the importance of rules and laws and how they help to keep us safe and ensure that society is fair for all.

Winter Weather

As storm Goretta battered many parts of the country, we thank parents for their patience as we implemented a 10am start of the school day, so that we could assess the safety of conditions and see how many staff could get in to school.

Should there be further severe weather, our first action is often a 10 am opening. If the forecast is secure, we will often be able to advise parents of this, via email, the night before. If unexpected or worse than forecast weather occurs, we will advise of a delayed open or closure, as soon as we can. Closing school, is always a last resort.

Uniform

During very cold or snowy weather, boots and a change of indoor shoes, are very helpful. In snow, children will only be allowed to play outside if they have these. Warm tights and long trousers can also minimise any injury if children slip over.

Tight-fitting leggings have never been in our PE uniform. Children should wear shorts under tracksuit bottoms (looser-fitting). This provides warmth and flexibility for indoor/outdoor PE. Thank you for your support with our uniform rules.

Y5 Swimming

This is due to begin on Monday 12th. Consents for goggles is on Arbor.

Y6 Norfolk Lakes Deposit

This is due at the beginning of February.

Winter Illnesses

Unfortunately, at this time of year, the prevalence of illness and infection can be high. It can sometimes be difficult for parents to know whether their child is well enough to attend school.

If your child has a high temperature or feels very unwell, they should stay off school until they are feeling better and their high temperature has resolved. Also, for most cases of vomiting or diarrhoea, your child should not come in to school until 48 hours after the last bout.

If a child feels vaguely unwell, without a high temperature and with no recent history of diarrhoea or vomiting, we would encourage parents to bring children to school. They often perk up when they see their friends! We will contact parents if they become worse. We are able to administer prescription medication. Forms should be completed at the office. For further information:

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

School Diary

- Mon 12th Jan: Y5 swimming begins
- Fri 16th Jan 2.40pm: Golden Worship Y3-6
- Fri 23rd Jan 2.40pm: Golden Worship R, Y1 & Y2
- Fri 30th Jan: 2.40pm: Golden Worship Y3-6
- Fri 6th Feb 2.40pm: Golden Worship R, Y1 & Y2
- Tues 10th Feb: Parents’ Evening
- Thurs 12th Feb 2pm: Pancake Races for R, Y1&2 Parents welcome, wrap up warm!
- Thurs 12th Feb: Parents’ Evening
- Fri 13th Feb: INSET Day, staff only
- Mon 16th- Friday 20th Feb: ½ term holiday
- Mon 23rd Feb: back to school.

Happy new year,
Mrs Gilchrist

