



Nether Kellet Community Primary School

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Events....

- 10th Feb—PTA disco until 5pm
- Class assemblies:
- 10th Feb—Beech
- 10th Mar—Sycamore
- 17th Mar—Oak
- 28th Feb am—water workshop for Y5/6
- 28th Feb pm—online safety workshops for Y3/4 and Y5/6
- 2nd and 3rd Mar—Andrew Towers in doing film-making days with all classes.
- 9th Mar—Andy Tooze, poet, in working with all classes.
- 22nd and 23rd March—Beech Class London visit.

Nether Kellet News

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION

We will be enjoying a whole school theme day on Thursday with activities across school organised by each class teacher. The children will be in their house groups all day so it is a lovely opportunity for the older children to support the younger children and children of all ages to work together on various activities and challenges.

Parking and Driving

We have been alerted by some parents that they are concerned about some aspects of parking and driving around school. They mentioned some fast driving by some parents on Bridge Road and also parking on pavements meaning it is awkward to get past with pushchairs, etc. Please ensure that you (and anyone who drops off and picks up) are parking and driving in a way that keeps everyone as safe as possible.

We have also had parents asking that cars are not idling with engines turned on while cars are stationary. This obviously creates unnecessary and excessive pollution around our children and families walking to school. As always, we do ask that families who live in the village walk to school and children who live further afield park further from school and walk in order to make the area safer, reduce emissions and help fitness through exercise. Thank you. If you need to dash in the morning, myself (or another member of staff) are always on duty from 8:45 so just let us know if you want us to keep an eye on them until lining up time.

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- I have the right to be heard.
- I have the responsibility to listen to others.
- I have the right to be safe and healthy.
- I have the responsibility to keep myself and others safe and healthy.
- I have the right to learn.
- I have the responsibility to do my best at all times and look after equipment.
- I have the right to have friends.
- I have the responsibility to be kind to others.
- I have the right to be myself.
- I have the responsibility to respect others' differences.

I just wanted to mention

our Rights and Responsibilities for those of you who may not be familiar with them. We don't have rules as such but we have Rights and Responsibilities. Our aim is to encourage our children to behave in ways that are taking account of other people and the world we live in because they know it is the right thing to do rather than because they may get "told off". The result is that the

vast majority of the time, our children behave well and recognise the importance of everyone following our Rights and Responsibilities. I know that over the years, some families have worked with their children to set their own Rights & Responsibilities for family life when they have struggled with a child's behaviours at home. If you ever need any help with anything like this, do let us know. This week our assembly theme is Courage of Conviction and doing what you know to be the right thing rather than being led by others.

Internet Safety

As mentioned in an email recently, we are concerned to keep reminding parents and carers to keep a

very close eye on what your children are accessing at home. We have noticed that our children are becoming much more aware of and influenced by online crazes (Prime/ Air Up/Tiktok) and by things that they watch and read online. We know that it is a challenge to know everything that your child accesses but please ensure that **parental controls** are in place at the very least and that you check who they communicate with online and what they access by checking in with them regularly and checking their history. Please alert us about any concerns.

Be inspired.....have belief and grow



SPORTS

Once again, our sports teams have been doing a great job. Our athletics team won the small schools athletics competition against local schools (the first time Dolphinholme had been defeated in 12 years!) Well done to: Reece, Louis, Zak, Seb, Cora, Lucianna, Alicia, Georgia, Emily, Darcy, Ben and Jacob. They have got through to the whole of Lancashire finals at Blackpool!

Our swimming team also won the small schools competition at Heysham against Lancaster and Morecambe schools. We were very impressed with:

Cora, Harvey, Ruby, Zak, Henry B, Emily, Reece, Louis, Ella and Lucianna. We think that our PTA swimming club played a big part in giving us such a strong team—thank you PTA!

Our football team did brilliantly in the Lancashire final for small schools in Fleetwood and won the tournament. They have qualified to represent Lancashire in a North of England tournament near Middlesbrough. A massive well done to Henry W, Ben, Seb, Zak, Jacob, Oliver, Harvey, James, Henry B and Ellis—an amazing achievement!



Visitors and Visits

The children really enjoyed Imran

Kotwal's visit and learned lots about Islam. Beech Class then went on their visit to Preston where they visited a mosque after the museum. They were shown all around the mosque and even in the prayer room while prayers were taking place which they found really interesting. They also enjoyed a visit to the museum to learn about World War II as well. They were in role as evacuees and other people from the war which really brought it to life.



If you have any games or toys that your children don't play with any more that you're happy to donate to Early Birds & Night Owls, we would be very grateful. They do need to be school-age toys and games of course.

PE Kit

As you know, we relaxed our uniform requirements at the start of this year in an attempt to make it less costly for parents and easier for the children to be dressed for run a mile, playtimes and PE lessons. I think there has been some confusion in terms of what the children need to have in school though so I just wanted to clarify:

- They can wear either black trainers or school shoes—if they wear shoes, they will need to have trainers in their PE bag.
 - They can wear a logoed or non-logoed polo shirt in either red or white; this is fine to keep on for PE so they don't need a separate PE t-shirt.
 - They can wear trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafores. They will need a pair of black PE shorts in their PE bag to change into for PE lessons.
- If your child does a PE club after school: football, gymnastics, yoga, etc. they are welcome to bring their own clothes that they can then go home in.

If you think you may be eligible for your child to have free school meals, please do apply even if your child already receives free school meals because they are in YR/1/2 as we can access more support for your child if needed if they are on FSM. Helen in the office can help with this.

Best wishes, Nicki Bradbury

Term Dates: Please try to avoid holidays in term time as they can't be authorised except in exceptional circumstances.
Half term - Monday 13th - Monday 20th Feb incl. Half term - Monday 29th May - Tuesday 6th June incl.
Easter - Break up Fri 31st March 3:20pm Summer - Break up Friday 21st July 1:30pm
Return - Monday 17th April