



NEWSLETTER – 11TH FEBRUARY 2022

Dear families of our wonderful schools,

Goodbye:

It saddens me greatly to know this is the final newsletter I will write for Wensum and Nelson schools together. I would like to thank the families of Nelson children for having me and allowing me to work alongside your brilliant children for the past two and a half years. I have loved every day!

I will be based at Wensum after half term but our two schools will remain working very closely. I am very pleased that Anna Catlin will be Acting Headteacher at Nelson from after half term. Anna has been working as part of the SLT at both schools for the past three years but most recently as Deputy at Nelson.

Fundraising:

A huge thank you and well done to everyone who took part in or sponsored our Rudolph Run. We raised a whopping £667.55 for Nelson's Journey. The Eco Heroes (on behalf of the East of England Co Op on Dereham Road) have saved 122 ink cartridges from landfill and saved £37.81 for Nelson. We have also had a formal 'Thank You' for the Sugar for Shelters award.

Staffing:

We are thrilled to be hosting a second round of Kickstart placements and have some brilliant new additions to both schools. Welcome to Lily, Bonnie-Lee, Jade, Celeste, Nathan, Sian and Shannon. They are with us on a six-month placement and we are thrilled to have them! We also welcome Gina at Nelson who joins us with years of school and pre-school experience and trained in forest school and outdoor learning.

Behaviour:

We have been trialling a new behaviour system at Wensum which is proving very successful. The system is a step on from the one used at Nelson. Our expected behaviours (Yellow behaviours) are based on our school values of honesty, kindness and respect along with readiness to learn and offering positive contributions. Any non-expected behaviours carry consequences. Please see the attached behaviour sheet for some clarity. We are looking to find a company to design this for us properly over half term. I will then share the finished result with you all (it will look prettier but the content will remain the same).

Reminders:

- Water only in bottles
- Fruit/Veg only for snack
- No sweets or fizzy drinks in school
- No personal belongings allowed in from home
- No phones or technology allowed in school from home
- No phones used on school ground please
- Please drive and park considerately around our school
- **Please read with your child every day**

Victoria McConnell

DIARY DATES

Half term – w/b 14.2.22

World book day – 3.3.22

Nelson end of topic showcase – 25.3.22

Wensum end of topic showcase – 29 and 30.3.22

Y1 New Buckenham castle trip February 23rd

Y5/6 National Space Centre trip. March 1st

Y3/4 Howe Hill trips 2nd and 3rd March

Easter Holidays: April 4th – April 20th

PLEASE NOTE: we are having our additional holiday date (for the Queen's Jubilee) on Wednesday April 20th

We will return to school on Thursday April 21st

Victoria McConnell

Headteacher

Wensum Junior and Nelson Infant Schools

Points, Reminders and Warnings

Expected behaviour	Reminders	Warnings	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - honesty - kindness - respect - ready to learn - positive contributions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - not following instructions - inappropriate language - disrupting learning - running in corridors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Harm to peers - Harm to staff - Damage to property - Harm from disruption - Harm from absconding 	
Consequences			
<p>Individual dojo points (turn into class points)</p> <p>Class points to earn half termly reward: trip, choice of indoor activity, extra forest school</p> <p>Class recognition – weekly total acknowledged in assembly with ten minutes extra play</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. First reminder 2. Second reminder 3. Time in (10 minutes) <p>Re-sets after each teaching session</p> <p>If repeated, it becomes damage from disruption</p>	Harm to peers	Time out with SLT Phone call home Repair and reset
		Deliberate harm	Straight to SLT Phone call home
		Damage to property	Time out with SLT Phone call home Repair and reset
		Harm from disruption	Time out with SLT Phone call home Make up lost learning time Repair and reset
		Harm from absconding	Time out with SLT Phone call home Repair and reset