

# Navenby Church of England Primary School

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NEWSLETTER 9<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

## YEAR 6 SATS, YEAR 4 MULTIPLICATION CHECKER AND YEAR 1 PHONICS ASSESSMENT

Next week our Year 6 pupils will be sitting the Government's attainment assessments. Miss Sheardown and Mrs Woolsey have been working incredibly hard to ensure that your children are well prepared for these and that they are feeling confident about themselves to do their best. They are important and are a good indication of levels achieved to date and how they are going to fare through their secondary academic education. We know, as I am sure you do too, that these do not represent fully a child's progress as there are so many more measures and achievements children have in their primary education: learning to play an instrument, learning a new sport and representing the school, showing design skills, creating a beautiful piece of art or growing in personal worth demonstrating our school values daily. We know they will do their best but as you sit to take them always remember the other things you have achieved and know that we are proud of you all.

After half term, the Year 4 children will be taking the multiplication checker; this is a random multiplication check done on an iPad, with children having to answer 25 questions within 5 seconds each. Again Mrs Harrison will be running some practice sessions with her class so when it comes to the official one, they are confident and best prepared. Times tables are massively important in many aspects of maths and knowing them provide children with a massive advantage. Please keep practising these with your children to give them the best chance of success.

And finally, the Year 1 children will be taking the phonics screening check. Miss Jones will be doing this with them on 10<sup>th</sup> June. I am sure that all of the hard work the children and you have done whilst on the Read, Write Inc Phonics Programme will come to fruition with some fantastic results. Reading is the most important skill to master and so the sooner children become fluent readers the better. This provides the foundation for future success and so please keep listening to your children read at home and encouraging them to choose a book to look at when they are at a 'loose end'.

## ANXIETY IN CHILDREN

Over the last few years, we have noticed that children's anxieties are on the increase. These can be for a number of reasons. Anxieties about coming to school, friendships, phobias, the unknown and many others are far more commonplace than they used to be and can cause distress affecting a child's ability to function.

Having first-hand experience of this, I am keen to support children and families and help them manage these incidents better and so am constantly on the lookout for different practices which may help.

I was contacted by a lady who has recently moved to Navenby who is a trained Thought Field Therapist. This therapy is used to tackle anxieties in its many forms. She has worked in schools before and I was able to have phone conversations with two of her former Headteachers who told me that she made a big difference to some of their children who accessed this. She has offered her time and experience to bring this practice to the children at our school.

Attached to this newsletter is a bit more information about the Therapy and the lady in question and I am pleased to say that we have organised a short introductory session to Thought Field Therapy on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May** starting after school for approx. 30 minutes.

If you feel this is something you would like to know more about or explore, then we would be delighted to see you on the 15<sup>th</sup>. **Please can you let the office know if you would like a seat.** Thank you.

## CROSS COUNTRY

A huge congratulations to our incredible Cross Country team who took part in their last competition this academic year! From Year 3 through to Year 6, every pupil demonstrated outstanding strength, determination, and resilience as they took on each race with true commitment.

What stood out most was the unwavering support our pupils showed for one another—especially the way our older children encouraged and guided the younger ones towards the finish line. These were heart-warming "School for Life" moments that truly captured the spirit of our community.

The sound of clapping, cheering, and encouragement echoed across the field as the final runner crossed the line. It was a

powerful and emotional reminder of how our pupils embody our school values of collaboration and resilience.

A special congratulations to Danny, who won the Year 3–4 race, and to Evie, who not only came second in the Year 3–4 race but also placed second overall in the entire tournament. What an incredible achievement!

I am immensely proud of each and every member of the team. I already look forward to what the next season will bring!

Mrs Thornton



### CARRE'S OUTREACH HOLIDAY CAMP

Please find attached to the newsletter the flyer for Carre's upcoming half term holiday camp. As usual, they have a variety of physical activities on offer to keep your children entertained. A QR code for booking, along with timings, type of activity on offer and cost is all on the flyer.


### SWRA OPEN EVENING

Sir William Robertson Academy are having an open evening on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 6 – 8.30pm. To attend, you need to register your interest on [www.swracademy.org](http://www.swracademy.org)

### SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

This week I received the updated league table from Carre's Outreach. The league is based on a number of factors including attendance and how well you do in each of the competitive events.

As can be seen, we have retained our position at the top of the table and I would again like to thank all of the children who have attended any of these events as your attendance contributes to our school score. It is pleasing that the children hold physical activity and sport in such high regard that they want to attend these events. We have had a



## OUTREACH GOLD LEAGUE STANDINGS

NO	SCHOOL	AP	SGV	CP	Pts
1	NAVENBY	165	75	49	289
2	CRANWELL	200	40	33	273
3	WILLIAM ALVEY	159	50	41	250
4	WINCHELSEA	156	45	31	232
5	LEASINGHAM ST. ANDREW'S	151	50	16	217
6	RAUCEBY	102	75	26	203
7	CAYTHORPE	127	30	36	193
8	WELBOURN	38	30	1	69

**POINTS GUIDE**  
 AP - ATTENDANCE POINTS  
 SGV - SCHOOL GAMES VALUES POINTS  
 CP - COMPETITION POINTS  
 PTS - POINTS TOTAL

successful year and I am looking forward to yet more participation at the summer term events.

My thanks also to all the parents who have helped transport the children to these events. Without you we would not be able to get to some of these due to the numbers of children involved.

### NAVENBY BIG WEEKENDER

Here is the flyer with information about Navenby's Big Weekender on 7<sup>th</sup> June. If you are available it would be great for you to pop along, particularly to see our school choir who are singing at the event.

## FONS UPDATE

Tickets for the FONS Neon Disco are still available and can be bought on ClassList. Please ensure you have your ticket if you want your child to attend.

We are thrilled to share the current Fundraising amount so far this Academic year.

We are so close to our target and with your support over the final events this term we are confident we can smash the 5k target to support the school with creating a new library for our Children. Don't forget to book Neon Disco tickets and sign up as a volunteer on Classlist.

April's winning numbers in the 100 Club Draw are:

1<sup>st</sup>: 12  
2<sup>nd</sup>: 2  
3<sup>rd</sup>: 10

Well done to all of you. A member of the FONS team will be in touch about how to claim your winnings.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

*C Elliott*

M C Elliott  
Headteacher



Some of our wonderful cross-country runners

## DATES (new dates in bold)

### DIARY DATES

We aim to publish dates for any events well in advance so that parents can make any necessary arrangements. Dates in place so far are:

- 12<sup>th</sup> May: Year 6 SATs week
- 20<sup>th</sup> May: Year 6 Church Schools' Festival
- 22<sup>nd</sup> May: FONS Disco
- 23<sup>rd</sup> May: Last day of term
- 2<sup>nd</sup> June: Start of Term 6;
- 6<sup>th</sup> June: Y2 class assembly
- 9<sup>th</sup> June: Y1 phonics screening all week
- 13<sup>th</sup> June: Reception Class assembly
- 16<sup>th</sup> June: YR to Wild Woodcraft
- **17<sup>th</sup> June: KS1 and Y3 Sports afternoon 1.15pm**
- **20<sup>th</sup> June: Camo Day**
- **27<sup>th</sup> June: Y1 class assembly (new date)**
- **1<sup>st</sup> July: KS2 (Y4 – Y6) Sports afternoon**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> July: Y3 class assembly**
- **4<sup>th</sup> July: Y4 to Sports Crew Community Games**
- **11<sup>th</sup> July: Y5 class assembly**

Please keep looking at the website where these are continually updated and new dates added. Thank you.

