



# Newsletter

Week ending 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022

## Message from the head teacher



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am very happy to report that our school is as been nominated to receive a National Music and Drama Education award for "Outstanding School Music department" - We are the only primary school in this category!

Please remember that in order to succeed as a reader it is important that every child gets the chance to practice their reading with an adult. Please help your child by asking them to read every day.

I am very keen that every child in year 4 and above knows their times tables and division facts. We will be having a really sharp focus on children that don't know these facts.

The children are working very hard towards the Christmas performances – please look at the dates when your child will be performing and we look forward to seeing you at the shows!

Have a really good weekend.

Kind regards

Fiona Cullen

Head teacher

## Attendance This Week

Year N	85.36%
Year R	83.74%
Year 1	91.36%
Year 2	89.92%
Year 3	86.21%
Year 4	87.12%
Year 5	92.17%
Year 6	91.51%

## Times Table Titans

<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Year 6</b>
Ali	Krystalake
Rahma	Imaan
	Suhaila
<b>Year 5</b>	Kajuuran
Harleigh	Arsad
Rae	Daisy-Mae
Afraz	Sabiha
Aaliyah	Aliyyah
Dhruvi	Zeeshan
	James
	Kawthar
	Rayaan
	Sabrina

# Nelson Nominated for Award

It is with great pride that we can announce that Nelson Primary School has been nominated and shortlisted as a finalist for a prestigious award at the Music & Drama Education Awards 2023. The category is **Outstanding School Music Department**. We are one of seven schools in the final and the only primary school! The award is testament to the dedicated work of our music leader, Mr Dye, and all staff and pupils at Nelson. We will find out in February if we have won the final.

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**education awards 2023**  
**FINALIST**

## OUTSTANDING SCHOOL MUSIC DEPARTMENT

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Association

Bishop Vesey's Grammar School, *Birmingham*  
Bishop Wordsworth's School, *Salisbury*  
The Bourne Academy, *Bournemouth*  
Nelson Primary School, *Newham*  
RGS High Wycombe  
Springwood High School, *King's Lynn*  
Uffculme School

### History at Nelson

This week both year 1 and year 3 got to visit the history timeline in the playground. Year 1 are studying 'Beyond Living Memory' and visited the timeline to understand the word chronological, past and a long time ago. Year 3 are learning about 'Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age' they visited the timeline after a class discussion about when this period happened. They were able to see that the Stone Age was after the Prehistoric' era. Perhaps have a discussion with your child about their history work next time you walk past the timeline with them – they'd love to tell you all about it!



### Backpacks

Please do not send your child to school with a backpack. Our cloakrooms are very small and we do not have room for backpacks and coats. Backpacks make the coats fall onto the floor creating a tripping hazard. Children should bring their reading and homework books in a **Nelson bookbag**. **These can be purchased at Ian Howard Uniform Shop on Barking Road.** They also offer an online service.

<https://www.ianhowardschoolwear.com/>

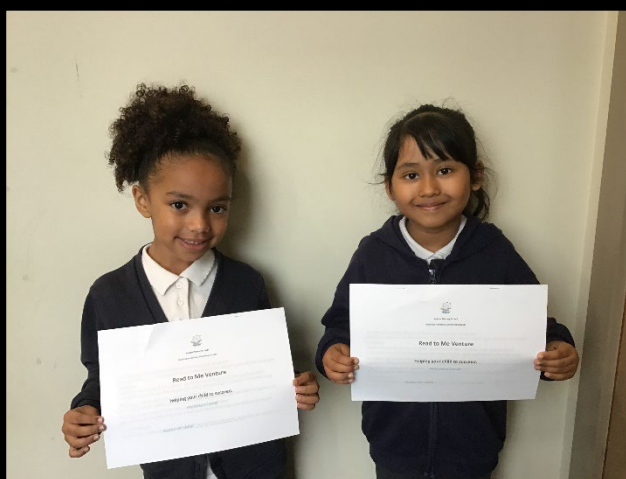
### **East Ham Christmas Light Switch On**

It was lovely to see lots of familiar faces in the crowd at the East Ham Christmas Light Switch On last Saturday. Senior choir gave a wonderful performance and thoroughly enjoyed their first performance of the Christmas season.



### **Read to Me Venture**

Congratulations to Esme G11 and Vendangana G4 (and their parents!) for completing all five levels of the Read to Me Venture. Here they are with their completed Platinum booklets. Well done girls!



### **Collecting children for appointments**

If you have to collect your child for an appointment during the day, please arrive in plenty of time to collect your child before your appointment. As we are such a large school it often takes quite a few minutes to find your child in the building. Please be patient with staff as they do this.

### **Important dates:**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 9:15am** - Years 5 and 6 Christmas Performance

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 9:15am or 10.30am** Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 9:15am or 10am** Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm** PM Nursery Christmas Performance

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 9:15am** Reception and AM Nursery Christmas Performance



School Terms	Pupils Holidays
<b>Autumn</b> Monday 5th September – Friday 21st October 2022	<b>Staff INSET</b> Thursday 1st September and Friday 2nd September 2022 <b>Half Term</b> Monday 24th October to Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
<b>Autumn Term 2</b> Monday 31st October to Friday 16th December 2022	<b>Christmas Break</b> Monday 19th December 2022 to Monday 2nd January 2023
<b>Spring Term 1</b> Wednesday 4th January 2023 to Friday 10th February 2023	<b>Staff INSET</b> Tuesday 3rd January 2023 <b>Half Term</b> Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February 2023
<b>Spring Term 2</b> Tuesday 21st February 2023 to Friday 31st March 2023	<b>Staff INSET</b> Monday 20th February 2023 <b>Spring Break</b> Monday 3rd April to Friday 14th April 2023 <b>Staff INSET</b> Monday 17th April 2023
<b>Summer Term 1</b> Tuesday 18th April 2023 to Friday 26th May 2023	<b>Half Term</b> Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023 <b>May Day</b> Monday 1st May 2023
<b>Summer Term 2</b> Monday 5th June 2023 to Friday 21st July 2023	<b>Summer Break</b> Monday 24th July – (to be advised)

School will not be closed for any of the religious festivals:

In-service training days: This calendar includes 5 days which has been allocated for in-service training, however this may be subject to change.