



Newsletter

Week ending 24th February 2023



Dear Parents and Carers

This week has been a very exciting week for the school. Last night we won a National Award for the OUTSTANDING SCHOOL MUSIC DEPARTMENT. This is wonderful news for the school and testament to all the hard work by the staff and the pupils and parents of our school – Thank you for your contribution.

I am pleased to announce that the appointments for our forthcoming parents evenings will be going live at 2pm on Monday 27th February. Please look out for the notification.

Finally World Book day will be celebrated at our school on FRIDAY 3rd March. We will be having some very exciting activities for the children to do on that day.

Have a lovely weekend

Fiona Cullen
Head Teacher

Attendance This Week

Year N	82%
Year R	89%
Year 1	89%
Year 2	89%
Year 3	87%
Year 4	91%
Year 5	93%
Year 6	95%
Average	90%

95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WHAT DO YOUR
ATTENDANCE
FIGURES
ACTUALLY MEAN?

Award Win!

You may remember that Nelson had been nominated for a national award for 'Outstanding Music Department'. Mrs Cullen, Miss Cull and Mr Dye attended a special awards ceremony this week and were delighted when they announced that Nelson had won! This award is for all of our staff and pupils that make music such a special part of Nelson. On 20th March we begin our annual Spring Arts Festival where you will be able to see for yourselves the wonderful music making that happens at Nelson.



Hot Potato Competition

Congratulations to our year 1 pupils who took part in a hot potato competition this week at Altmore Infants School. This was their first ever competition and involved a lot of team work. The children had to manage the activities themselves and learned valuable skills about independence.



Debate Competition

Our year 5/6 debate team attended their first competition of the year this week. The team won 3 out of 4 of their debates which is a fantastic start to the league. The children all worked hard at collaborating together and it was this amazing teamwork that brought the team success! The children are already preparing for the next round of debating coming soon.



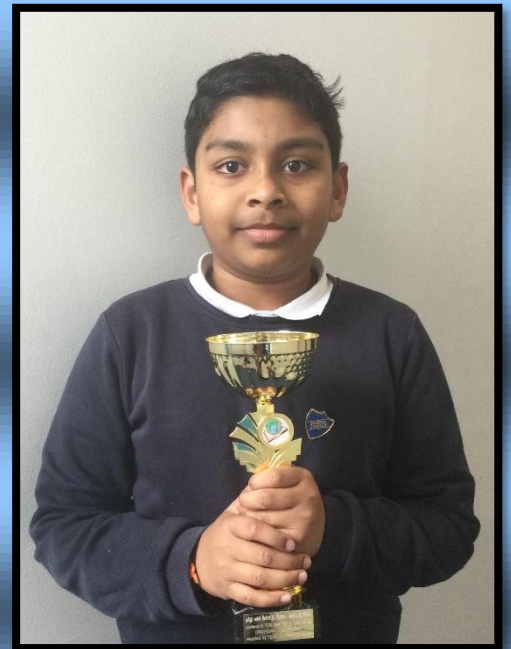
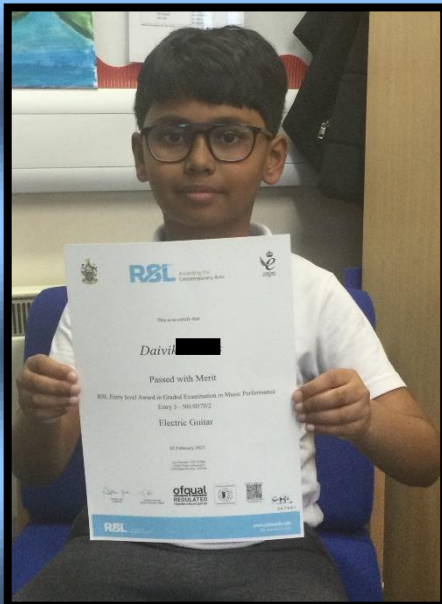
Filming for Maths

Four of our year 5 and 6 girls took part in some interviews this week to form part of a special film for Mayor's Fund for London. The film will focus on girls in maths. The children all spoke so enthusiastically and confidently about their love for maths. Well done to Chloe, Tanisha, Varahi and Aakavi. We can't wait to see the finished film soon!



Success

It is always lovely to hear about our pupils' successes outside of school. This week we congratulate Daivik on passing his electric guitar exam and Aaruji and Dravedan on passing their Tamil Language exam.



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Important dates:

Parents' Evening – Wednesday 8th March and Tuesday 14th March

Year 3 Holi Assembly – Thursday 9th March, 9.15am

Week beginning 20th March – Spring Festival Concerts

Year 4 Easter Assembly – Thursday 30th March, 9.15am

School Terms	Pupils Holidays
Autumn Monday 5th September – Friday 21st October 2022	Staff INSET Thursday 1st September and Friday 2nd September 2022 Half Term Monday 24th October to Friday 28 th October 2022
Autumn Term 2 Monday 31st October to Friday 16th December 2022	Christmas Break Monday 19th December 2022 to Monday 2nd January 2023
Spring Term 1 Wednesday 4th January 2023 to Friday 10th February 2023	Staff INSET Tuesday 3rd January 2023 Half Term Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February 2023
Spring Term 2 Tuesday 21st February 2023 to Friday 31st March 2023	Staff INSET Monday 20th February 2023 Spring Break Monday 3rd April to Friday 14th April 2023 Staff INSET Monday 17th April 2023
Summer Term 1 Tuesday 18th April 2023 to Friday 26th May 2023	Half Term Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023 May Day Monday 1st May 2023 Coronation Day Monday 8 th May 2023
Summer Term 2 Monday 5th June 2023 to Friday 21st July 2023	Summer Break Monday 24th July – Monday 4 th September 2023

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.