NELSON NEWS

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SIR STEPHEN TIMMS CELEBRATES NELSON WINNING OUTSTANDING MUSIC DEPARTMENT 2023

Nelson Primary School was filled with jubilant melodies and harmonious symphonies on 16th June, as local MP Sir Stephen Timms, visited the school to celebrate the school winning the national award in the 2023 Music and Drama Education Award.

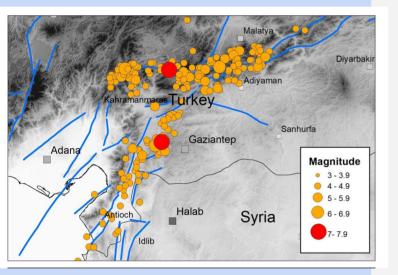
We welcomed Sir Stephen Timms with s special concert which showed all of musical talent we have here at Nelson. We had performances from Infant Choir, Senior Choir, Orchestra, Vina players and some of our music scholars.

Sir Stephen Timms was very impressed with everything that he saw and heard! Thank you to all the teachers who work so hard at Nelson to make sure that we have so many chances to sing and play instruments.





A picture of some of the devastation caused by the earthquake



A map showing the areas affected b the earthquake



The winning Year 5 team

FUNDRAISING FOR SYRIA AND TURKEY

By Maanasi Sasikumar & Kavidra Arumainayagam

On February 6th 2023 at 04:17, there was a huge earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Over 50,000 people died during the earthquake and a further 100,000 were injured. The southeast of Turkey and the northwest of Syria were the most damaged areas. Lives were destroyed and people lost their homes. That's why we, Nelson Primary School, decided to do a fundraiser.

Each class made a plan for different ways we could raise money. We presented our pitches to Mrs. Cullen and Ms. Cull and they picked their favourite pitch. It was decided that we would do a non-uniform day, where we all dressed in the flag colours of the Turkish and Syrian flag.

We did an assembly to explain what was going to be happening, we made posters and put them around the school and sent messages to classes.

On the non-uniform day, we we had children standing on the school gates to collect money.

With all of your help and contribution, we have managed to raise £1000 so thank you all for your support. We donated the money to charity.

TEACHERS OFF DUTY

Avaani Patel and Ashvini Akilan find out what our teachers will be doing in the Summer Holidays!

Ms. Webber: I will be trying to keep my twin boys entertained and busy so will be visiting farms, beaches and having a lot of BBQs with my families and friends.

Ms.Stanford: I am going to Cape Verde on holiday! I can't wait to relax and have fun!

Ms. Ahmed: I will be exploring London with my daughter. We may go on holiday to Egypt!

Ms. Kaye: Aside from relaxing in my paddling pool, I am going on two holidays! I am going to Egypt and Las Vegas

Mr. Sardar: I am going to Pakistan with my family for my brothers wedding.

Ms.Ormesher: I am going to go camping in the New Forest with my family.

SATs Survival Guide!

By Annam Nazir

SATs. A week that we usually hear about but what is it? Why does everyone stress over a set of exams? Why do we have to do them? What do we have to do? Let's find out!

SATs week is a week in which Year 6 has a set of national exams. We have a set of national exams again in Year 11. It is important that Year 6 have these tests as they give the secondary teachers important information they need to teach us. Year 6 have six tests: Spelling, SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar), Reading, Maths Arithmetic, Maths Reasoning paper 2 and Maths Reasoning paper 3.

Some people have found the national exams hard but some Year 6's found them unexpectedly easy! They think this is because the MOCK tests were much harder than the original exams. Some people liked the week because there was a schedule that everyone stuck to. They also commented that they would like to go back to SATs week but would also like to minus the tests (of course). One other surprise was the final Maths test; Maths Reasoning Paper 3. This paper is usually the hardest and definitely harder than the other two papers. However, children found the Maths Reasoning Paper 2 much harder than the third paper. In fact a few children said that the paper was rather easy.

SATs tips:

- 1) Treat it like any other exam! (It will relax you, trust me).
- 2) Revise but don't stress too much.
- 3) Make some time to do something you enjoyt.
- 4) Get a lot of sleep the night before so you are ready for all your tests.
- 5) Get outside for some fresh air.
- 6) Just take a deep breath and relax!

So what do you think of SATs now?...

TEACHERS OFF DUTY

Avaani Patel and Ashvini Akilan find out what our teachers will be doing in the Summer Holidays!

Ms. Phillips: I will be going sailing!

Mrs. Hoque: I'm going to be spending time with my sons and hopefully we will be planning to go on a trip!

Ms. Ahmed: I will be exploring London with my daughter. We may go on holiday to Egypt!

Mr. Okiya: I am going to be doing a lot of travelling. I am going to 5 different countries!

Ms. Hussain: *I will be relaxing in the swimming pool!*

Mrs. Patel: I am travelling to the Dominican Republic.

Ms. Wright: I am going to Portugal. I will be swimming in the sea and tasting the local Portuguese delights!

WEST HAM WIN!

By Daivik Biswas and Muhammad Nuh Khan



The 2023 **UEFA** Europa Conference League final was the final match of the 2022/23 UEFA Europa Conference League. It was organised by UEFA. The match was played at the Fortuna Arena in Prague, Czech Republic, on 7 June 2023. The final match was held between Italian club Fiorentina and English club West Ham United. West Ham United won the match by 2-1.

This is the first trophy won by the club in 43 years. Jarrod Bowen scored a goal in late in the game which secured the victory for West Ham. This was a very exciting time for the club and all West Ham fans.

After the victory, West Ham held a trophy parade from Upton Park to Stratford. 70,000 supporters attended this parade.





INSIDE SCOOP!

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Mr. Okiya!

By Annam Nazir

Q1: If you had to eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be?

A: I would eat Githeri. Githeri is sweetcorn and beans. You can add nuts (any time you want) and potatoes. This can be eaten at any time of the day, so I can eat this all the time!

Q2: If you had £1m million, what would you do with it?

A: I would use 20% to help the poor, 5% I would blow on holiday and I would invest the remaining 75% I would then use 100% of the money I would get from the investment for the community.

Q3: If you were trapped on a deserted island, what one item would you take with you?

A: I would take water as I would be able to survive on water.

Q4: What is your least favorite thing about being a teacher?

A: Repeating myself! It's really annoying when you have to repeat one thing 1000 times just to get children to listen!

Q5: What is one of your hidden talents?

A: I am a motivational speaker!
When someone is dull at the beginning of my speech, they are usually happy

Q6: If you weren't a teacher, what would you be?

A: I would either be a businessman or politician. I would be a politician in Kenya because I would have lots of guards to protect me! The main reason is so that I would have opportunities to change people's lives.

Q7: Tell us about the most embarrassing moment you have had as a teacher.

A: The most embarrassing moment I had as a teacher was when I was teaching T9. It was the only day I wore white trousers. A boy came and dropped water on my trousers! It was really embarrassing.

Q8: What is your least favorite subject to teach and why>

A: DT. The risk of someone getting hurt is high so I don't like teaching it. However, I like DT in general.

Q9: What is your favourite memory of working at Nelson?

A: When the school had hosted a global teacher award winner. I had to organise the event and I was working with big agencies like CommonWealth, British Council, Kenya High Commision, DFID etc.

Q10: What was your favourite book as a child? What is your favourite book now?

A: My favourite book as a child was "Otiendo Achach" by Christian Konjra Alloo. It was like a type of version of Horrid Henry. My favourite book now is a book I am reading for the second time. It is called The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People by Stephen R. Covey.

FAKE SUNSET IN NEW YORK CITY

By Swapnil Biswas

Some may think New York City is having an infinite sunset with all those orange skies, but it is much worse than you think.

Recently, there had been numerous wildfires (over 2000) in Canada which have created a lot of smoke that travelled through huge distances. This smoke then covered most of New York creating the orange sky phenomenon. And the smoke is very harmful to human beings; affecting persons breathing and hurting their eyes and nose. Because of this, citizens of New York are advised to stay inside their homes and wear a face mask when going outside (and some Canadians as well). The main reason for all the wildfires is because of climate change which is causing hotter weather, lack of rainfall and dry land which is fuelling all the fires in Canada and making them "out of control". More than 100,000 people had to leave their homes for safety. This shows us that climate change is a BIG problem and we need to be more careful about it if we want to avoid the same fate.





TEACHERS ON STRIKE

By Saharin Irtija

This year, you may have noticed, that school has been closed for a few extra days for some children because teachers have been on strike. You are probably wondering why. Well let me explain.

Teachers are striking for a few different reasons.

- 1. They are underpaid
- 2. They have to work too many hours
- 3. They want the government to give schools more money so they can give better education to children

Teachers getting underpaid makes it hard for them to afford anything since prices only rise and rarely lower. The government has asked schools to pay teachers from the schools budget which is not helping since that means that the pupils of the school will have to suffer the consequences. As it may occur that the children need new supplies but the school will not be able to afford them since the money is put toward paying the many students.

Some teachers have to work two jobs just so they can pay all their bills.

What do you think about the strikes?

NELSON SPORTS WEEK

By Daivik Biswas and Muhammad Nuh Khan

Nelson Sports Week - it's not about winning, it's about teamwork!

Sports Week was from Tuesday 20th June -Friday 23rd June 2023 in Flanders Field. Well, the one on Tuesday was rescheduled to Friday because it was pouring down with rain!

Sports week happens in Flanders Field and everyone was prepared for the big fun! There were so many fun events planned by Mr. Cole.

Here are some of them:

Sprint Race

Sack jump race

Through and Through (Keeping the link)

Hot Potato (Teamwork)

Obstacle Race

Everyone had such a fun day in the sun. Thank you to the teachers and especially Mr. Cole.

As always, we have to wait till the end of term for the results. Who is going to win this time?





ECO CLUB By Alisha Khalique

Our Eco Team at Nelson are helping the planet and are trying to make it a better place. We are recycling as much as we an and encouraging our school to do it as much as they can. So far, this has been working out perfectly.

We do challenges from a website called Young Climate Warriors. 75 pupils have already signed up/ It's not too late to join because there are 10 challenges to do and you only need to complete three challenges to get a reward. Here is the link, sign up for free: www.youngclimatewarriors.org

You can also apply for a Green Blue Peter Badge. You are asked a few questions and after around 12 weeks or so, you should get a badge. This is no ordinary badge, this badge allows you to go to places for free if you have it! We wish you luck. From Nelson's Eco Team.

OPAL PLAYGROUND **UPGRADES!** By Daivik Biswas

Very exciting things are happening in our playground! Nelson is developing playground provision with a company called OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning). This will mean that there is better engagement at break time and lunchtime so behaviour will improve as well. The following developments can be noticed already:

- Footballs are now equally distributed between year groups and new ball games are introduced
- Tents are being set up during playtime for
- Water play area can be spotted in the Adventure playground
- Bean bags are part of our playground equipments now
- Our playground has a colouring activity and crafts corner

There are more things coming soon. Nelson parents also actively participated in donating toys and equipment to the betterment of the school playground.



INSIDE SCOOP! Get the Inside Scoop on Ms. Webb!

By Noor Faiz

Q1: If you had to eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be?

A: A tropical fruit, like mango or passion fruit.

Q2: If you had £1m million, what would you do with it?

A: I would love to buy a nice house with a garden and treat my family and friends too.

Q3: If you were trapped on a deserted island, what one item would you take with you?

A: I would take a fire striker, like we used in Fair Play House to that I could try my best to survive!

Q4: What is your least favorite thing about being a teacher?

A: Waking up so early! I wish I could stay asleep longer.

Q5: What is one of your hidden talents?

A: I have a black stripe belt in Tae Kwondo and I've started doing more Boxing!

Q6: If you weren't a teacher, what would you be?

A: I would love to be a photographer because that is my dream job

Q7: Tell us about the most embarrassing moment you have had as a teacher.

A: I don't think that I;ve had any embarrassing moments yet! #I think I am too early in my career to have something terrible happen!

Q8: What is your least favorite subject to teach and why>

A: I like all subjects so I can't chose a least favourite, but my absolute favourite is OBVIOUSLY ART!

Q9: What is your favourite memory of working at Nelson?

A: This year, I had my first trip to Fair Play House, where I got to spook my class on the night walk and got splashed by them in the canoe!

Q10: What was your favourite book as a child? What is your favourite book now?

A: I used to collect Nancy Drew mystery stories and I still collect them today!

CORONATION DAY!

By Annam Nazir



As we all know, Queen Elizabeth The Second unfortunately passed away on 8th September 2022. She had a very good life and helped the country in World War Two as well. Her memory lives on but now is the time of celebration as it is now King Charles' turn to rule the country!

King Charles is 74 years old, the oldest monarch ever to be crowned King in England. He was crowned King of the United Kingdom on 6th May, 2023.

Nelson Primary School wanted to celebrate King Charles' coronation, just as we had celebrated Queen Elizabeth the Second's Platinum Jubilee. Both these events are very important and will be remembered forever in history.

On this special day, the school provided us with sandwiches, cheese pastries and more so that we could have a picnic in the playground. Everyone also dressed up as Kings and Queens. We even had our very own concert and special performances. We all had a good time celebrating the King's coronation (and Miss Webb's Birthday!)



EID-AL-ADHA

By Annam Nazir

Eid Al-Adha, which was on Wednesday 29th June, is an important day for all Muslims. During this day Muslims sacrifice a goat, cow or any halal animal. But why do they do this? This article has all the answers!

So why do Muslims sacrifice an animal? Well over 1000 years ago, they believe that a Prophet called (Hazrat)* Abrahim was given a test to see his dedication to Allah (SWT)*. Here's how the test went:

(Hazrat) Abrahim had a dream in which he was sacrificing the thing that was most precious to him. He kept on having that dream until he realised that he had to sacrifice his son, (Hazrat) Ismael. He went to his son with tears in his eyes. He told him that he had this dream and he had to sacrifice him. Instead of arguing with his father, (like any child from the 21st century would do) he simply smiled and told his father that he had his permission to sacrifice him. (Hazrat) Abrahim tried to sacrifice (Hazrat) Ismael but being a father, his hands wouldn't let the knife touch his son. (Hazrat) Ismael told his father to wear a cloth over his eyes and then he wouldn't be able to see him, that way the sacrifice could go on ahead. His father followed this command and in the end managed it. However, when he opened his eyes and removed the cloth, his son wasn't there. Instead Allah (SWT) put an animal there. His son was talking to the Head Angel, (Hazrat) Jibraeel. The Angel was explaining to (Hazrat) Ismael that this was actually a test.

Even now, Muslims cherish this moment where these Prophets showed their love towards Allah (SWT). Of course, people in the UK can't actually sacrifice an animal; they have people in another country do it. They bring the animal home and love and care for it. After that they sacrifice it, just as the Prophet Abrahim did. In London, there was also an Eid prayer in Central Park! The park was filled with countless Muslims. Eid-Al-Adha follows a 10 day pilgrimage of Hajj, which happens in Saudi Arabia. It is a beautiful event that takes place in the final month of the Islamic Calendar. It's another topic that maybe will be explored another time. So. FID.

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*Muslims say
Hazrat
for respect and
say SWT to
praise Allah.

SUMMER FETE



The Summer Fete was a great success!

There were so many different things to do, like face painting, henna designs, games and you could even buy refreshments such as ice creams and crisps!

Thank you to all of the staff and parents who organised a wonderful fete. It was lovely to see so many parents and children enjoying the sunny weather and taking part in all of the wonderful activities on offer. Special thanks to Mrs Pain for planning and coordinating the whole event. We have raised over £1000 that will be spent on equipment for the playground.



OLIVER PRODUCTION



GEOGRAPHY CHALLENGE! GUESS THE LANDMARK!



Can you recognise this famous landmark?

For a chance to win a PINK HOUSE POINT write the name of the landmark, the country it is located in and a fact about it and submit it to Ms. Aktar!



INSIDE SCOOP!

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Ms. Mustafa!

By Saharin Irtija

Q1: If you had to eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be?

A: Yorkie chocolate bar because it used to be advertised 'not for girls' - I was a rebel growing up!

Q2: If you had £1m million, what would you do with it?

A: Get myself a ticket to the moon - because everything else is a waste of money!

Q3: If you were trapped on a deserted island, what one item would you take with you?

A: I would take my phone so I can watch videos of my son.

Q4: What is your least favorite thing about being a teacher?

A: Putting children on the behaviour ladder, especially when they don't listen

Q5: What is one of your hidden talents?

A: Scuba diving, Level 2 sign language, I can make wooden signs. I am also very, very, highly competitive. I would take on anybody!

Q6: If you weren't a teacher, what would you be?

A: I would be a singer. The children absolutely love my made up songs!

Q7: Tell us about the most embarrassing moment you have had as a teacher.

A: When I thought that there was a mouse in the classroom and all the children in my maths group jumped onto the table

Q8: What is your least favorite subject to teach and why>

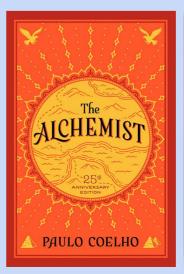
A: I don't really have a subject that I hate, but my favourite subject to teach is history because I am fascinated by the past - especially Ancient Egypt.

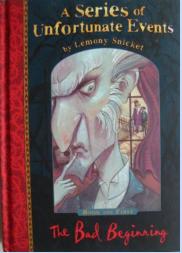
Q9: What is your favourite memory of working at Nelson?

A: Teaching my M4 class this year in 2022-2023.

Q10: What was your favourite book as a child? What is your favourite book now?

A: My all time favourite book is 'The Alchemist' by Carlo Coelho. As a child, I loved reading the Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket..





BOOK REVIEW: THE NAUGHTIEST UNICORN

By Avaani Patel

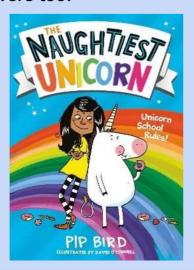
This book is about a girl called Mirra on her first day at a boarding school with her older sister. Mira gets a new unicorn and it is the naughtiest unicorn in unicorn school. They went off to the beach and Dave the unicorn needed to behave.

These are all the things they rode on together: boats, ships and coaches. They went swimming on a quest and on an adventure to find pirates. Jake did not share his floats, so he gets into big trouble!

This is a funny, warm-hearted story. There is a series of books and it is a big collection of books. Mira has extremely fun adventures in each of the different books. Her older sister is a bit bossy on this trip.

This is a good story and it has a good message. It teaches you that being bad is not good because it can get you into a lot of trouble.

This is a nice story to read throughout the day because they are easy to read and not very long. I would recommend this book to anyone who likes adventure books, funny books and I would recommend it to all unicorn lovers too!



PRINCE HARRY IN COURT

By Aniyah Bailey

Prince Harry has been victim to telephone hacking for years. Because Prince Harry is a member of the royal family, He needs to be protected by security at all times . So having his location information being leaked out is dangerous to Prince Harry and others around. Eg when Prince Harry's travelling to visit another country on his royal duties.

Prince Harry is part of privacy lawsuits that he filed against two tabloid publishers, which both deny wrongdoing towards harry.

- 1. The Daily Mirror newspaper
- 2. The Sun newspaper

Both newspapers are well known in the UK and sell thousands of copies everyday. But because this happened back in 2019, both newspaper teams argued that Harry brought this lawsuit too late and it should not be allowed to come to court. The judge didn't see this as a good enough reason and allowed it to come to court.

Prince Harry won the case and now will receive a lot of money from this lawsuit ,which was on 6 th June 2023 at the High Court in London. Prince Harry said that he is going to give all the money that he gets from the case to charity. Harry's main reason why he took the papers to court was to get the law changed to make newspapers more responsible for their actions. No matter who you are, you should have the right to your own privacy.

Prince Harry is the first senior royal in 130 years to appear in the high court. Prince Harry has made history by taking this to court and helping others in so many ways.

