



Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

# NEVILL INFANT NEWS

Dear all,

A little late but, HAPPY NEW YEAR, it has been lovely to see you all safe and happy upon the return and first full week back at school.

Teachers have been putting up their new topic displays in the main hall and our curriculum letters should be with you today, giving you more information on what the children are learning about this term and how you can help at home. I hope you find them informative and useful.

We are also starting the process of further developing our outside environment by tidying up the allotment and growing area, refurbishing and investing in the Reception outdoor learning area and drawing up plans for a large Forest School Site. As part of our Birdwatching, we will also be decorating and putting up bird houses.

The COVID picture is changing almost every week and we are all hopeful we can return to more normal activities, stay tuned for when we can re-start our Reading Mornings.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Whitfield

## GET MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL

It is our School Census Day on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January** which means the more children who take the **FREE** lunch the more money the school receives from the government.

As a special treat, when you order your lunch your child will be entered in to a special raffle for a Mr Whitfield Goody Bag?? Or even a special £5 Amazon gift voucher??

Having a **FREE** school lunch on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January** means you automatically get entered into both!!!

Even if your child does not usually have a school lunch, why not order one (IT'S **FREE**) and give it a try???

In October we had 76% order the **FREE** lunch, which is amazing – let's see if we can beat it this time!!!



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### Bound for Beijing!

To celebrate the upcoming Winter Olympic and Paralympic Games in Beijing, Get Set have launched the 'Bound for Beijing' virtual challenge. Any physical activity your child completes, such as walking to school, going on their scooter or playing in the park, can be converted into metres when you log your activity on the Get Set website. The overall aim is to gain enough metres to virtually complete the climb up the snowy 'Mount Spirit' as a class team. This challenge is all about getting children active at home, as well as at school, and we will be logging the physical activity we complete at school. During the virtual climb, teams will stop off to explore the locations where the Winter Games will take place: the ice rink, alpine centre and snow park where they will earn stickers and unlock challenges and prizes. For more information, follow the link below.

<https://www.getset.co.uk/bound-beijing>

To log your child's activity, click on 'Families' – 'Find Team' – Enter the school postcode (SK7 3ET) and select Nevill Road Infant School. Here you will be able to find your child's class team, log any activity you do and check on the team's progress. You will be able to view a video about the challenge and you there are some ideas of indoor and outdoor activities you can try at home.

There will be certificates for each child if their team reaches the top of Mount Spirit and there will be opportunities for us to win prizes as a school for all activities logged, such as £1000 to spend on sports equipment.

We hope you enjoy completing the challenge **and we are looking forward to seeing which team reaches the top of Mount Spirit first!**

### Important Dates...

17<sup>th</sup> Jan → Martin Luther King Day

23<sup>rd</sup> Jan → National Handwriting Day

31<sup>st</sup> Jan → National Storytelling Week

Feb → LGBT History Month

1<sup>st</sup> Feb → Chinese New Year

3<sup>rd</sup> Feb → School Governor Day

8<sup>th</sup> Feb --. Safer internet Day

11<sup>th</sup> Feb → Break for half term holiday

21<sup>st</sup> Feb → School INSET day

22<sup>nd</sup> Feb → Children come back to school



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### **Stuck for a New Year Resolution????**

Why not try to walk to school every day and leave the car at home?

It will certainly add to your 'steps per day'? It is a great chance to talk about the world with your child / children. Join in with others and make it a social event. It will also help us with the parking situation near the entrance to school.

Give it a go!!!

### **COVID Update ...**

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature.

For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

A PCR test to confirm a positive LFD is now no longer needed

## **Special Headteacher Awards**

