



# Nutgrove Methodist Primary School

## Newsletter

SPRING TERM - FRIDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026



### A message from Mrs Taylor

It has been a very busy week in school, with so many wonderful acts of kindness spotted throughout our community. The children have truly embraced our Big Serve and Random Acts of Kindness, and many have been excited to tell me all about the thoughtful ways they have been helping others at home and in their local community. Please do continue to log these acts on their sheets and return them to school next Friday.

Year 3 and Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Playdays Nursery today, where they had the opportunity to serve their local community. The children engaged enthusiastically in play across a range of areas within the provision and returned to school beaming with pride.

Thank you very much for all of your kind cake donations today. Please do join us for our cake sale on Monday after school on the KS1 playground. If possible, please bring 10p, 20p and 50p coins to help with change.

The children have also had great fun today taking part in a wide range of exciting maths activities while learning about the amazing work of the NSPCC. Thank you for your support with costumes – it is very much appreciated.

### Contacting School

Please speak to SLT on the gate or class teachers at the end of the day as first port of call.



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### Attendance Matters

#### WEEKLY WINNERS!

- 1st Highest attendance - EYFS
- 2nd Highest attendance - Y3

The whole school attendance this week is 94.17%



#### ATTENDANCE Why is it important?

Attendance	Days absent	Weeks absent	Lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	250 lessons
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks	290 lessons

89% or below  
Drastic effect on academic achievement

96% - 90%  
Cause for Concern

100% - 97%  
Excellent!



### Next Week

- Monday 9.2.26**  
Y6 trip to BrownEdge 3.20pm-4.15pm Football, lego and yoga clubs  
3.20pm Cake sale
- Tuesday 10.2.26**  
Y4 trip to The Pantry  
3.20pm-4.15pm Dance fitness, dodgeball, drawing and crafts clubs  
3.20pm-4.30pm Y6 Maths booster
- Wednesday 11.2.26**  
Deacon Helen's Worship  
Ethos Committee Meeting
- Thursday 12.2.26**  
9am Y3 Parent Assembly  
healthy eating sessions with school nurse  
Y5 Swimming  
School Council Meeting  
Eco Council meeting  
3.20pm-4.15pm Karate club  
3.20pm-4.15pm Y1 and Y2 Phonics boosters
- Friday 13.2.26**  
9am Celebration Praise (check dojo for winners' invites Wednesday)

# This Week's Awards

Well done to our Award winners this week:

Christian  
Values  
Champion



Star of the  
Week



EYFS Jacob	EYFS Nevaeh
Year 1 Ayla C	Year 1 Scarlett
Year 2 Alex	Year 2 Leighton
Year 3 Helin	Year 3 Tami
Year 4 Phoebe F	Year 4 Evie
Year 5 Daisy	Year 5 Esmæ
Year 6 Charlie B	Year 6 Willow

## Mrs Taylor's Kindness Award



Well done to the following children who received kindness awards this week for 'beeing' kind:  
Holly and Libby in Y5, nominated by Mr Chapter, they saw that a child in Y3 was upset at lunchtime and they offered to sit next to her in the dinner hall.

Millicent and Matilda in EYFS, nominated by Lacey and Jemima in Y6, for being kind friends and helping each other over dinnertimes.

Sophia in Y1 and her mummy, nominated by Lenny in Y3, for kindly offering Lenny and his mum a lift when they saw he had a sore leg when walking to school.

Izzy, Thomas, Nandi, Faith, Helen, Eva C and Eva K in Year 3, nominated by Autumn, for always be kind.

Thomas M in Year 3, nominated by Tammy, as he was checking on a friend when they were upset.

Lenny in Year 3, nominated by Mrs Jones, being caring, kind and considerate to a friend.

Sam in Year 3, nominated by Miss Stevens, as he helped Thomas from Year 3 with his bag and coat as Thomas had twisted his ankle.

# Mrs Best's Golden Broom Award

Winner: EYFS

Well done winning Mrs Best's Golden Broom Award this week! Mrs Best was so impressed with how well you all help each other during tidy up time! Keep up the hard work EYFS.

## Worship

### Epworth Worship Together

Each week we have a different focus for our Epworth Worship. A film is shared between our family of Trust schools - a different film being produced each week by a different school. It is lovely to see the children of our Trust taking a lead in a different aspect of worship. An Epworth Worship Together Resource sheet is produced every week, which is sent home with this newsletter. We hope you enjoy explore the activities and reflections within these resource at home. This week's theme was all about

**Integrity**



Nutgrove's Prayer Bear is going home with Phoebe F in Year 4

We look forward to seeing the prayers or reflections next week.

### Nutgrove Collective Worship

This week in worship, we spent time learning about NSPCC Number Day and discussing how we can support this important charity. The children showed great enthusiasm as they explored why the NSPCC's work matters and how even small actions can make a big difference.

We also focused on our Big Serve, sharing thoughtful and creative ideas for carrying out random acts of kindness both this week and next. It has been wonderful to see the children thinking about how they can help others and show care within our school community and beyond.

We ended the week with a lovely worship session led by Miss Maguire, where the children came together to praise through uplifting worship songs, creating a calm and reflective end to the week.

# Big Serve



## The Big Serve - Making the World a Better Place 1 Act at a Time!

As part of the Epworth Trust's Infinite 8 strategy, we're inviting all children and staff across our schools to take part in The Big Serve. This links to the area, 'Be a Helping Hand' and ties in with Random Acts of Kindness Week.

During the next 2 weeks, children in all Epworth schools will be taking part in 'Big Serve' activities with their class and the whole school.

At Nutgrove we will be doing the following:

Y6 will visit Brown Edge Care Home and play board games with the residents on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February

Y4 is going to visit St Matthews foodbank on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

Year 5 and Year 3 visited Playdays Nursery on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February - they were amazing and had the best time!

Thank you for all your cake donations today. If any more donations would like to be sent into school on Monday they would be greatly appreciated.

On Monday 9th February at 3.20pm on KS1 playground we will hold a cake sale to raise funds for Edukid. This is offering our service at a Global level as we sponsor two children to go to school in Uganda.

EYFS will be baking cakes in class to support this sale.

Y1 are busy making posters to advertise bringing in donations on Friday 6<sup>th</sup>.

Y2 are busy making posters to advertise the cake sale.

We'd love this kindness to spread even further, so we're encouraging children to complete acts of kindness at home and in their local community too. They don't need to be big gestures - lots of small acts soon add up. 101 small things together make a real difference!

On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February all children will bring home more information and a record sheet.

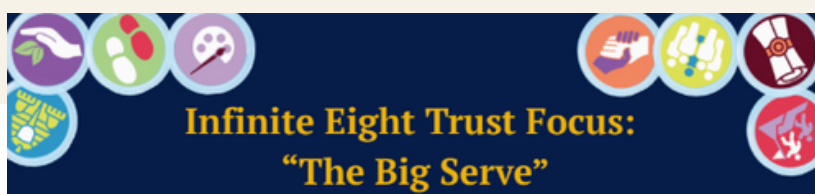
On the back of this flyer, you'll find a Kindness Log where your child can record each kind deed they do starting from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please feel free to send any photos to your child's class teacher as well. These deeds will be shared with their class, the school and the wider Trust!

Please return your 'Kindness Log' on Friday 13th February 2026.

As a Trust family, we're aiming to see just how many acts of kindness we can complete together. Every act, whether in school, at home or out in the community, will be counted so children can see the positive impact they've made.

We'll be sharing both the total acts of kindness from each individual school and the overall Trust total during a live worship for all Trust schools on Wednesday 25th February 2026.

Let's aim high, do All We Can, and spread kindness far and wide!



# SEND Coffee afternoon



## SEND Coffee and Catch-Up – New Format After Half Term

After half term, we will be making a small change to how we offer our SEND Coffee and Catch-Up sessions at Nutgrove. To ensure that families are able to access support in a way that best meets their needs, we will be moving to a more personalised approach.

Instead of a group session, parents and carers will be able to book a 15-minute one-to-one meeting with the SENDCo and Epworth's strategic lead for SEND to discuss anything that is currently on their mind. This may include questions, concerns, or a need for personalised advice and guidance around your child's needs.

We remain fully committed to working closely with you and continue to operate an open-door policy, valuing strong partnerships with families. These meetings are open to any parent or carer of a child currently on the SEND register, as well as anyone who feels they would benefit from a conversation or advice.

To book a slot, please contact the main school office via email.

Appointments will be available on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March between 1:30pm - 5:00pm.

Please note that our usual review meetings with class teachers will continue as normal.

We look forward to continuing to work alongside you to support every child effectively.





# Curriculum Showcase

## EYFS

This week in Reception, the children have been learning about stories that Jesus told. We learned about the marriage of Ruth and Boaz and explored how weddings are joyful celebrations by enjoying a wedding role-play together.

We also listened to The Good Samaritan and talked about kindness and helping others, even when they are strangers. Through the story of The Lost Sheep, we discussed how it feels to lose something precious and worked together to find our missing sheep.

We are so proud of much love, empathy and consideration the children have shown this week!

