



Nutgrove Methodist Primary School

Newsletter

AUTUMN TERM - FRIDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2026

A message from Mrs Taylor

What a wonderful start we have had to the 2026-2027 school year! It has been fantastic to see our wonderful children back in school, looking so happy, settled and ready to learn. We have been especially delighted to see how our new EYFS children have embraced starting school, with lots of smiles and enthusiasm!

A very warm welcome to Miss Hornby, who has joined us as our Year 1 teacher while Mrs Chalmers is on maternity leave. We are also delighted to announce the safe arrival of Conall Chalmers. Conall is now home with his family, and we are pleased to share that both Mum and baby are doing very well.

We wish Mrs Birchall a wonderful maternity leave as she begins this exciting new chapter. During her absence, Mrs Preter will take up her full-time role teaching Year 3.

Another warm welcome goes to Miss Parr, who has joined us 3 days a week in Year 2 as a Teaching Assistant. A huge well done also to Mrs Murphy, who has taken on her new role as HLTA 3 days a week. We are incredibly proud of her!

Finally, a big congratulations to Miss C Jones, who is getting married this Sunday! We wish her a wonderful wedding day. We look forward to welcoming her back to school as Mrs C Tyghe-Jones! It has certainly been a busy and exciting start to the year, and we are looking forward to a fantastic year ahead filled with learning, laughter, friendship and wonderful memories.

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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Admin Reminders



Parent Administration Reminders

✓ Inhalers and Medication

If your child requires an inhaler or any medication in school, please ensure it is in school and is clearly labelled with the prescription label.

✓ School Lunch Bookings

Please remember to book your child's lunches through School Grid the day before. Pre-booking helps us ensure accurate meal numbers and reduces delays on the day.

✓ Breakfast Club Bookings

If your child attends Breakfast Club, please ensure sessions are booked in advance through Arbor. This helps us plan staffing.

Thank you for your continued support in helping school run smoothly. If you need any assistance, please contact the school office. 😊

Next Week

Monday
7.9.26

Fire Drill practise this week
EYFS in 9-12.45pm with lunch in school

Tuesday
8.9.26

EYFS in 9-12.45pm with lunch in school

Wednesday
9.9.26

EYFS in 9-12.45pm with lunch in school
Deacon Emily's first worship
Y6 play leader training
Sign up for clubs goes out

Thursday
10.9.26

EYFS in 9-3.20pm
Y6 swimming lessons

Friday
11.9.26

EYFS in 9-3.20pm
9am Celebration Praise - please check dojo Wednesday for invites



Worship



Epworth Worship Together

Each week, our Epworth schools share a child-led worship film exploring a different theme.

The Worship Together activity sheet saved on our school website for families to explore together.

This week's theme was...

What kind of person do I want to become?

EPWORTH WORSHIP TOGETHER.

THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION
WHAT KIND OF PERSON DO I WANT TO BECOME?

BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK
"JESUS GREW IN WISDOM AND STATURE, AND IN FAVOUR WITH GOD AND MAN."
Luke 2:52

EXPLORING TOGETHER
IMAGINE A TINY SEED. A SEED HAS EVERYTHING INSIDE IT THAT IT NEEDS TO BECOME SOMETHING AMAZING - BUT IT STILL NEEDS WATER, LIGHT, GOOD SOIL AND CARE TO HELP IT GROW.
WHAT HELPS PEOPLE TO GROW AND FLOURISH?
TALK TOGETHER:

- WHAT QUALITIES MAKE SOMEONE A GOOD PERSON?
- WHO HELPS YOU TO BECOME THE BEST VERSION OF YOURSELF?
- WHICH OF OUR EPWORTH VALUES COULD HELP YOU GROW THIS YEAR?
- IS THERE SOMETHING ABOUT YOURSELF THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO DEVELOP?
- HOW CAN WE HELP OTHER PEOPLE TO FLOURISH TOO?

TRY THIS:
CHOOSE ONE WORD THAT DESCRIBES THE PERSON YOU WOULD LIKE TO BECOME. YOU COULD WRITE IT DOWN, DRAW IT, SHARE IT WITH SOMEONE OR KEEP IT QUIETLY IN YOUR MIND.

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER
Dear God,
Thank you that each one of us is unique and still growing. Help us to grow in wisdom, just as Jesus did. Help us to be kind, brave and generous, to make wise choices, to welcome others and to do what is right. As we begin this new year, guide us as we discover more about who we are and who we are becoming.
Amen.

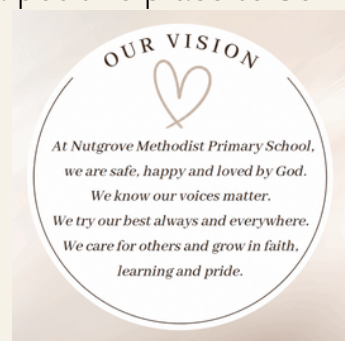
Nutgrove Collective Worship

In Worship this week, we enjoyed welcoming everyone back to school and spent time revisiting what makes our school such a special place to learn and grow together.

We reminded ourselves of our three school rules: Ready, Respectful and Safe, and talked about what these look and sound like in our everyday school life.

We also revisited our Habits for Learning and how these help us to understand and follow the routines and systems we have in place across school. By being ready to learn, respectful of ourselves and others, and making safe choices, we all play an important part in creating a calm, happy and safe environment where everyone can learn and achieve their best.

We also reflected on our school vision and how our rules, Habits for Learning and shared values help us to live out this vision every day. It was a lovely opportunity to remind ourselves that we all have a part to play in making Nutgrove a welcoming, caring and positive place to be.



Premises Updates

Over the summer break, we have been busy making a number of improvements to our school environment for the children to enjoy:

- A new gazebo has been installed on the EYFS/KS2 playground, providing additional outdoor shelter and space.
- Our PTFA-funded reading shed has been added to the KS2 playground, creating an exciting new space to encourage a love of reading.
- An area of the EYFS playground has been developed and made safer, including the addition of new steps leading to the shed.
- Two trees have been safely removed from the school grounds.
- New carpets have been fitted in both the EYFS and Year 4 classrooms.

We are delighted with these improvements and look forward to the children enjoying the enhanced spaces this academic year!





New Rewards



Alongside the many awards and celebrations we already enjoy as a school, including the Golden Broom, weekly class attendance, Star of the Week, Christian Value of the Week and Dojo awards, we are excited to be introducing some additional ways to recognise and celebrate our children.

From this term, we will be introducing:

- Termly 100% Attendance Awards
- A Weekly Class Punctuality Award
- Reader of the Week

We look forward to celebrating even more of our children's achievements and successes! Further information will be shared during our Meet the Teacher meetings next week.



Remarkable Reader!

