Nutgrove Methodist Primary School Newsletter

AUTUMN TERM - FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2026

A message from Mrs Taylor

We have had another fantastic week in school, filled with exciting learning opportunities and achievements. On Tuesday, our Year 3 children enjoyed a visit to the Science and Industry Museum, where they represented the school exceptionally well. They thoroughly enjoyed the hands-on learning experiences and workshop activities, showing great curiosity, enthusiasm and excellent behaviour throughout the day.

Our Year 5 pupils have also taken part in Bikeability training this week. We have been incredibly proud of the resilience, determination and listening skills they have demonstrated. Many children successfully achieved their Level 1 qualification, with several progressing all the way to Level 2 and confidently riding out in the community. A special mention must go to one child who began the day unable to ride a bike and, through perseverance, courage and hard work, achieved their Level 2 award by the end of the session. What an amazing achievement and a wonderful example of our school values in action.

On Thursday, all classes took part in recycling workshops, learning more about the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling to help protect our environment. This learning linked perfectly with the fantastic work of our Eco Warriors, who have been busy promoting their "switch off the lights" campaign around school.

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

Thank you for booking onto Breakfast Club; this has helped us plan accordingly. Please continue to do this.

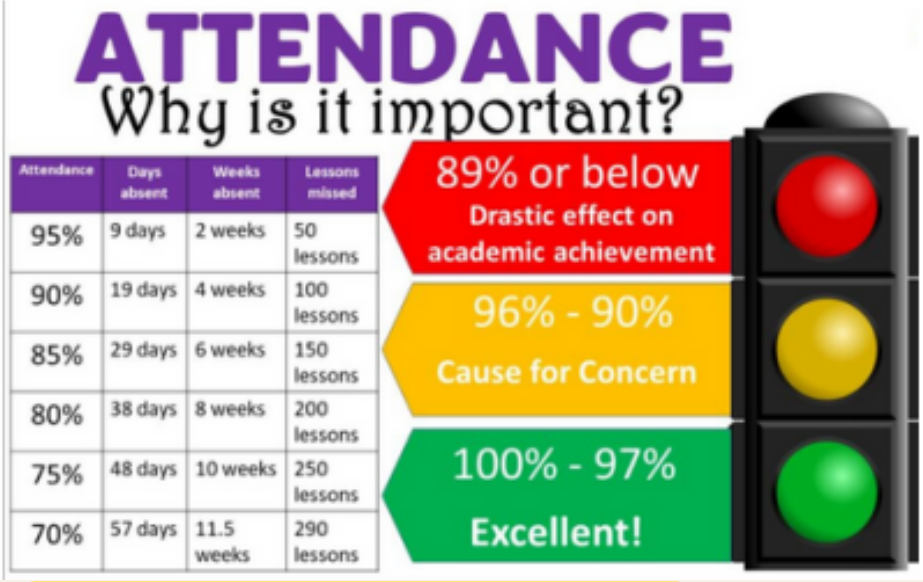
Don't forget to book your Nativity/Carol Concert Tickets, through Shop on Arbor. Please note that if you do not purchase your child's allocated tickets before 4th December, they will no longer be allocated and may be sold to other parents/carers'.

Next Week

Christmas Show tickets on sale.
Christmas disco donations to be brought in for disco entry
Last week fo after school clubs apart from Tennis

Monday 30.1.26	• Christmas Tree decorating 3.30pm-4.15pm Clubs - sensory play and Choir
Tuesday 1.12..26	• Ethos Committee meeting • 3.30pm-4.15pm Club - Karate
Wednesday 2.12.26	• Eco Committee meeting • School Council meeting • Lunchtime - Christian Club with Deacon Emily • 3.30pm-4.15pm Clubs - Judo and Art and crafts
Thursday 3.12.26	• 3.30pm-4.15pm Clubs - Tennis
Friday 4.12.26	• 9am Celebration Praise (please check dojo Wednesday for invites)

Attendance Matters



Class	Attendance this week
EYFS	97.1%
Year 1	93.5%
Year 2	95.4%
Year 3	96.3%
Year 4	97.5%
Year 5	99.6%
Year 6	94.8%

Attendance Award

Highest attendance is Year 5
They have won an extra break time next week.
The whole school attendance this week is 96.3%

Punctuality Award

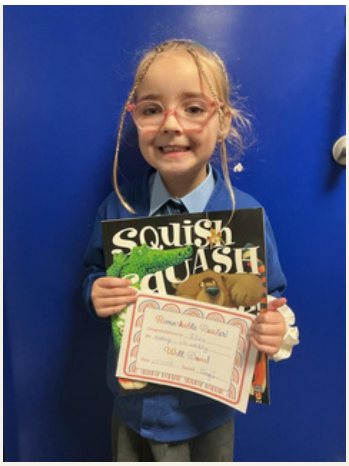
The class with the fewest lates this week is: Year 6
They have won 15 minutes of Golden Time next week.

Reading Award

Reading at home every day, even for just 10 minutes, helps children develop their vocabulary, confidence and imagination, while building a lifelong love of reading.



Remarkable Reader!



Well done for reading 4 times this week at home and picking a book as a prize!

Keep up the hard work.

This Week's Awards

Well done to our Award winners this week:

Christian Value Champian		Star of the Week	
EYFS	Harry	EYFS	Dorothea
YEAR 1	Cohen	YEAR 1	Sultan
YEAR 2	Isabella	YEAR 2	AJ
YEAR 3	Tise	YEAR 3	Musa
YEAR 4	Nandi	YEAR 4	Ben
YEAR 5	Joseph B	YEAR 5	Isla-Mae P
YEAR 6	Faith	YEAR 6	Whole Class

Mrs Taylor's Kindness Award

Well done to the following children who received kindness awards this week for 'beeing' kind:

Pippa in Y4, nominated by Tilly, for helping me get eyelashes out of my eye.

Hallie in Y4, nominated by Mr Chapter, for being very helpful by opening doors when I was getting a laptop trolley to Y5.

Rosa, Paddy and Daisy in EY, nominated by Miss Maguire for moving a worm to a safe place and building it a house of mud and twigs.

Charlie in Y6, nominated by Miss Maguire, for looking after a friend in EYFS when he hurt himself.

Arthur and Salem in EYFS, nominated by Mrs Ibrahim, for helping clear up the water when it spilled in the painting area.

Eva, Lily, Amalya and Amelia in Y3, nominated by Anya, for being kind friends to her.

Alivia in Y3, nominated by Myla, for giving me a tissue when I was crying and it made my day.

Charlie in Y6, nominated by Alivia, for stopping my basketball when it was rolling away when he wanted to play rugby.

Mrs Best's Golden Broom Award

Winner: EYFS

Well done on winning Mrs Best's Golden Broom Award this week! Mrs Best said you are all really tidy but a special shout out to Paddy for being the most conscientious and always wanting to be super tidy. Well done.

Worship

EPWORTH EDUCATION TRUST

Epworth Worship Together

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

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

This week's theme was: Why is listening important?





Nutgrove's Prayer Bear is going home with NIsh in Y3 We look forward to seeing the prayers or reflections next week.

Nutgrove Collective Worship





Our worship this week focused on learning and celebrating our school vision. The children were fantastic and enjoyed reciting the vision in a variety of different voices, showing great enthusiasm and confidence. We also explored the protected characteristics and discussed how these are safeguarded through the Equality Act, helping children understand the importance of respect, inclusion and valuing diversity within our community.

A special well done to Year 6, who truly wowed us with their class worship for families. They shared thoughtful reflections on our Christian value of Justice, linking this to our School vision, protected characteristics and life in Modern Britain, demonstrating maturity, confidence and a strong understanding of how this value can be lived out in everyday life. We were incredibly proud of them all.

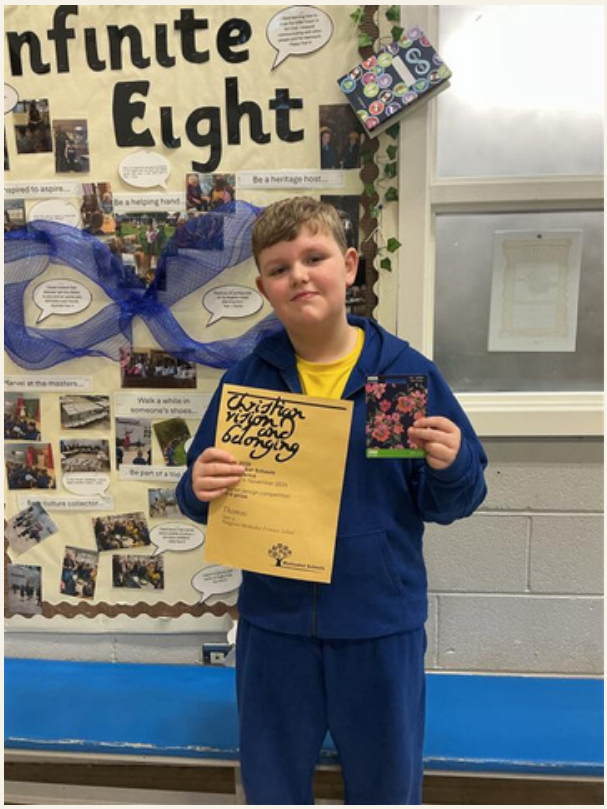
Methodist Schools Competition

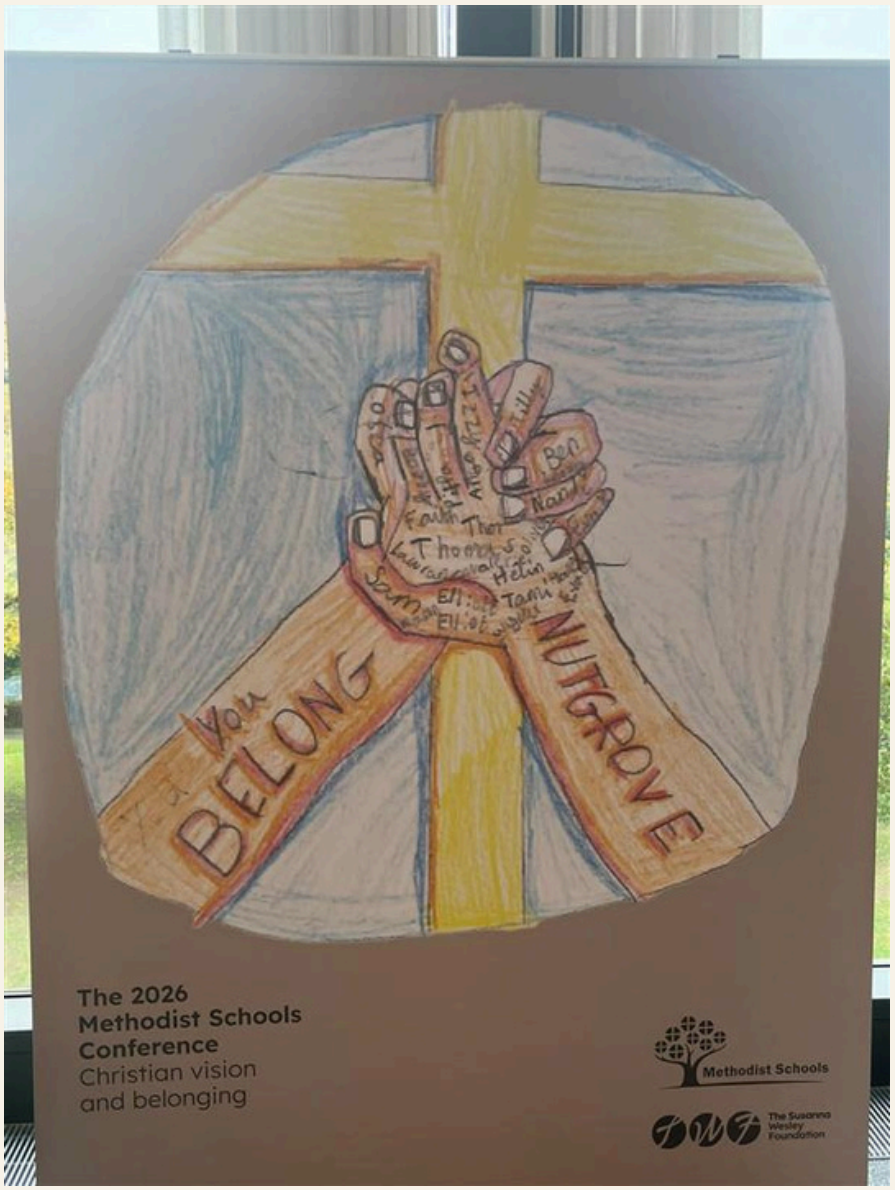
We are delighted to share some wonderful news! Earlier this term, children were invited to take part in the Methodist Schools Competition, exploring the theme of Belonging through creative work such as poems, prayers, posters and artwork.

We are incredibly proud that one of our pupils was selected as a winner from the competition entries - **Thomas Maley Year 4.** His thoughtful and creative response impressed the judges and showcased what belonging means within our school community. His winning entry was made into the large 2metre tall banner which was displayed at the MAST conference in London at the start of November.

As part of his prize, he received an ASDA shopping voucher, which he can spend on a shopping trip of his choice.

Congratulations on this fantastic achievement! We are so proud of the way he represented our school and demonstrated our values through his work.





Methodist Schools

PTFA

Thank you to everyone who has donated prizes for our Christmas Raffle in support of **Willowbrook Hospice**. Donations are still welcome and can be brought to the school office by Friday 4th December.
Raffle tickets will be on sale at our Christmas Fair and school performances. Thank you for helping us support this wonderful local charity and the vital work they do for families in our community.



Christmas disco information - donations can be sent in up til Monday 15th December for entry to the disco.

Christmas Fair information - please join us for this exciting event.





Curriculum Showcase

Year 2

Year 2 have been working incredibly hard this half term! In PE, the children have been enjoying their new yoga topic, learning different poses and practising mindfulness. In DT, they have been investigating wheels and axles, whilst in Science, they have started exploring different materials and their properties. In English, the children have been developing their letter-writing skills, inspired by our class text, The Day the Crayons Quit. There is also lots of excitement as we begin preparations for our Christmas Nativity. We are looking forward to sharing our performance with you all!











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Year 3

Year 3 have had an amazing half term so far!
In our writing lessons we have written short descriptive passages based on our core text Goal! We have also started to use the present perfect tense. In gymnastics we have been performing, rolls and balances and working up to building a short sequence. We have some very good gymnastics who have been helping with our warmups!
In French we can now order and recite the days of the week. We also learnt a song and a hand jive to go with it. The song is very catchy! We are loving our music lessons on ballads and wrote and illustrated a story board to David Bowie's 'Space Oddity'.
We thoroughly enjoyed our trip to the Museum of Science and Industry. The children were fabulously behaved.











