

Term 6 Newsletter 2019 – 2020



Message from Michelle Reysenn – Headteacher

Dear families,

Firstly, can I thank all of you for your continued help, support, and kindness, this year, particularly over the past few months. It has been such a challenging period for all of us, with many difficult decisions to make. Not only have we had to juggle pupils returning, ensuring safety is a priority, but we have also implemented a staff rota, so that fewer people are on-site at any one time, and that staff also can have time away from school, and make sense of this unexpected pandemic, and the effects that follow.

We hope, like you do, that within a few weeks of the autumn term, we will return back to normal, and staff and pupils will be back on-site at Notton, laughing, playing, learning, and experiencing new things. But, we must take things steadily, and slowly, increasing the numbers on-site by only a couple more each week. We will need to go through safety briefings with everyone, so that our pupils are aware of how things have changed: why there are stickers and social distancing reminders across the site, why we need to stay 1m apart, and why it is vital to wash hands regularly. We now have hand sanitisers in every classroom, office, and care area, and temperatures are taken daily. PPE is available for anyone who wishes to use it.

However, I think you will see from this final newsletter of the year, that there is so much to celebrate and be grateful for. From the summer camp (on the school field), to home and outreach visits, weekly challenges, and to a different way of learning for those in school, there is something for us all to reflect on and take positively from the lockdown period.

For now, please, stay safe this summer, because, we are so desperate to see EVERYONE back on-site at Notton as soon as we can.

Best wishes,

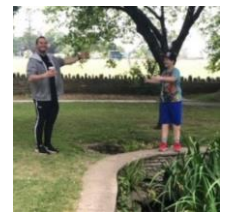
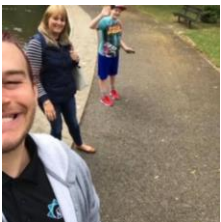
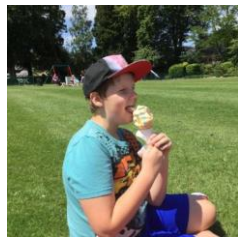
Michelle.



OUTREACH VISITS DURING LOCKDOWN

ADVENTURES WITH RIO

Parkour, pooh sticks, ice-cream, feeding the ducks, and so much more!



ADVENTURES WITH JACK

Jack loves his outreach visits from Sarah and Jane
He is safe and well, but is missing staff and pupils at Notton.



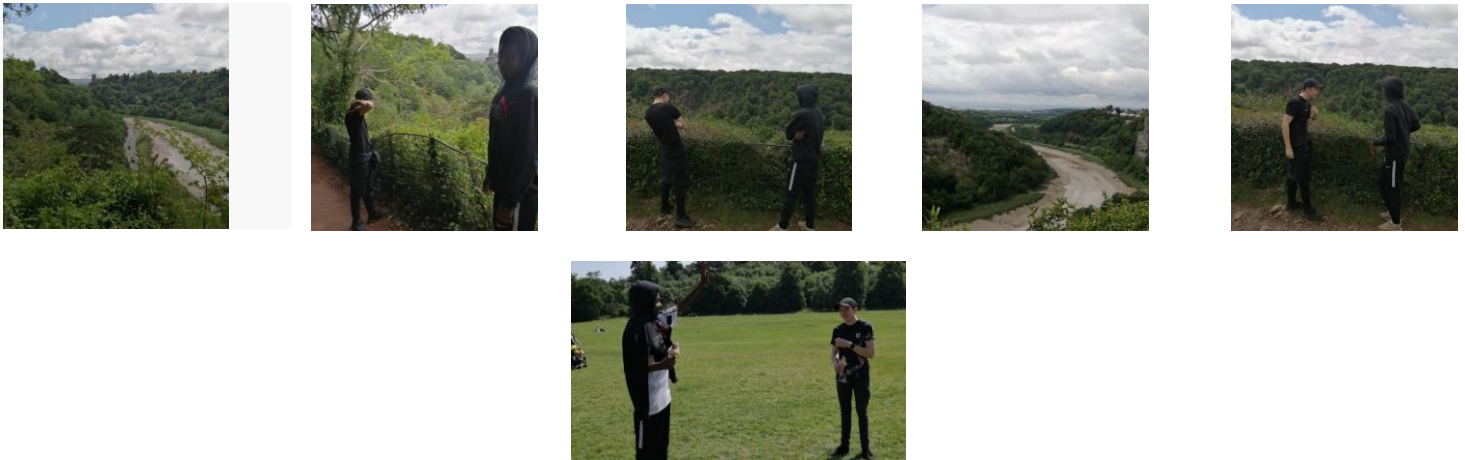
ADVENTURES WITH JK

Craig and Will have totally loved their outreach visit today to see JK. What awesome pics!



YEAR 11 DAY TRIP TO BRISTOL DOWNS & BLAISE CASTLE

A lovely trip to Bristol Downs and Blaise Castle for Haruun and Ben. With thanks to Sharon for making this happen!



IN THE CITY FOR PSHE

Tom and Maty have been in Bristol, following social distancing guidelines, whilst looking at the aftermath of the Black Lives Matter protest.



LOCKDOWN ADVENTURES IN SCHOOL

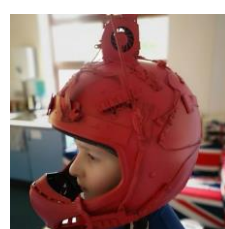
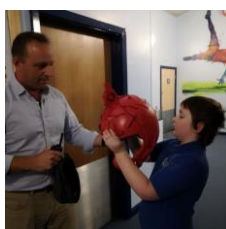
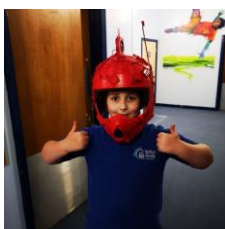
A DAY AT THE FARM

Rio had such a lovely time at the farm with Caroline! He helped herd Sandy the cow and her calf back into their field after they escaped.



ARTS AND CRAFTS WITH RON

Pupils have been creating some amazing 3d projects in art with Ron, as well as baking cheese scones. Look at the photos below.



IT'S CAMP WEEK AT NOTTON



The sun is shining, the tents are up, the bbq is on, and it's time for camp week at Notton.

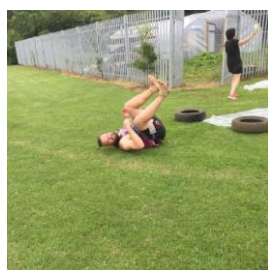
With thanks to Johnny for co-ordinating this!

This year, staff and pupils are experiencing a social distancing camp week, in the safest place possible - on the school field. Look at the fabulous photos!



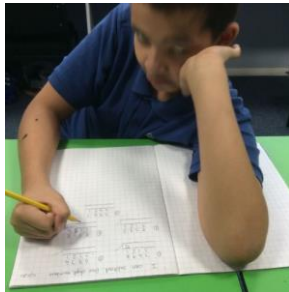
SLIP AND SLIDE

Staff and Pupils are having great fun on day 2 of camp week at Notton. I'm not sure who's enjoying this activity the most?! Take a look for yourself!



MATHS AT NOTTON

Dylan and Junior have been working hard on improving their numeracy skills.



PLANTING AND PAINTING



With thanks to Reagen and Caleb, who have been working in the independent house gardens, planting and painting.



BUILDING A DEN

Cayden had a wonderful time building a den with Paul and Natalie.



MAKING AEROPLANES



Josh in lower school is super proud of the plane he has made!



CHERRY PICKING

Dylan has enjoyed the sunny weather as he had the chance to go cherry picking!
Yummy!

FEEDING THE DUCKS

Harry has spent some time with the ducks. What a lovely photo!



PIZZA PIZZA

Junior and Dylan have made delicious pizza with Martyn



DELICIOUS COOKIES

Pupils in lower school have been making cookies



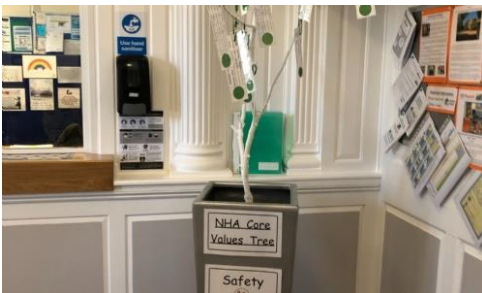
BREAD AND BUTTER PUDDING!

Thank you Josh in year 10. Looks fabulous!



CORE VALUES TREE

Our new core values tree takes pride of place in reception. Every pupil has shown the values of safety, kindness, and respect, and their name hangs proudly from a branch!



SENSORY GARDEN

The sensory garden is having a makeover with some upcycled items and new items soon being delivered! A quiet space for staff and pupils to be!



SUMDOG CHAMPION

Well done to Josh in lower school for answering 57 questions correctly out of a possible 65. Way to go Josh! Marvellous Mathematician!

Leaderboard

Name †	Class †	Year Group †	Questions attempted †	Questions correct †	Accuracy (%) †	Games played †	Games won †	Complete (%) †
Joshua Imiolek-Franca	WHOLE SCHOOL	Year 5	65	57	87	4	0	114%




 WHEN YOU CAN'T FIND
 THE SUNSHINE,
 BE THE
 SUNSHINE!

When children pretend, they're using their imaginations to move beyond the bounds of reality. A stick can be a magic wand. A sock can be a puppet. A small child can be a superhero.

-Fred Rogers

CHILDREN FALL IN LOVE
 WITH BOOKS BECAUSE
 OF THE MEMORIES CREATED
 WHEN THEY SNUGGLE UP
 AND READ WITH
 SOMEONE THEY LOVE.
 -RAISING READERS

16 Everyday Activities That Count as Learning

1. Cooking & Baking



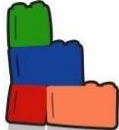
2. Meal Planning

3. Budgeting



4. Checking the Weather Forecast

5. Building with LEGO



6. Playing Card Games



7. Playing Board Games

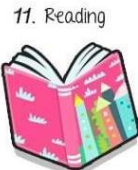


8. Doing Puzzles

9. Imaginative Play



10. Listening to Music



11. Reading



12. Coloring, Drawing, Painting

13. Listening to Podcasts or Audiobooks



14. Writing Letters or Emails



15. Taking a Walk



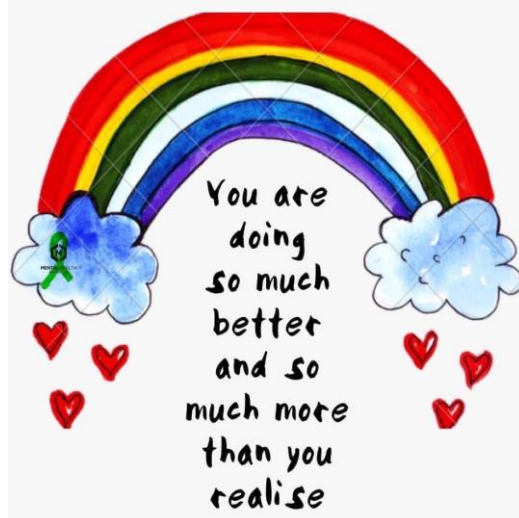
16. Cleaning & Doing Chores

WE ARE TEACHERS

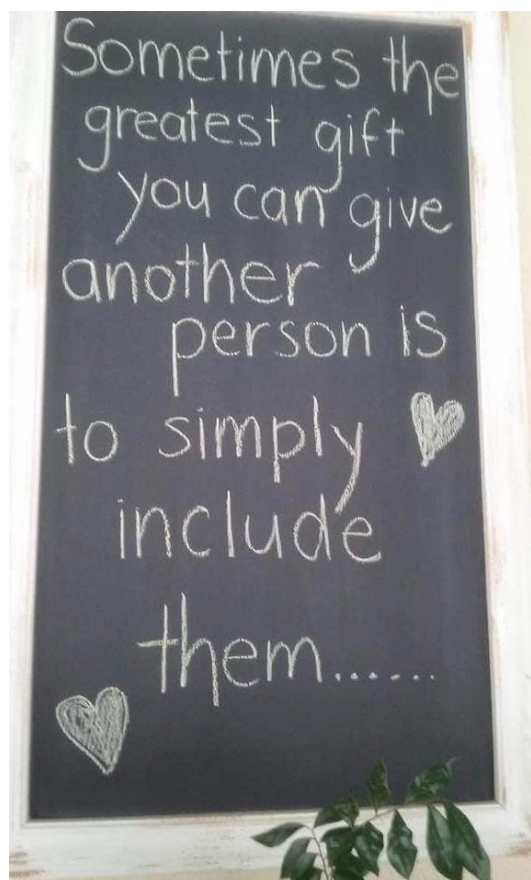


Sometimes there is nothing you can do but let it rain and wait for the sunshine.

GRINDERS_EMPIRE | INSTAGRAM



You are doing so much better and so much more than you realise



8 WAYS A CHILD'S ANXIETY SHOWS UP AS SOMETHING ELSE

1. Anger

The perception of danger, stress or opposition is enough to trigger the fight or flight response leaving your child angry and without a way to communicate why.



2. Difficulty Sleeping

In children, having difficulty falling asleep or staying asleep is one of the hallmark characteristics of anxiety.



3. Defiance

Unable to communicate what is really going on, it is easy to interpret the child's defiance as a lack of discipline instead of an attempt to control a situation where they feel anxious and helpless.



4. Chandeliering

Chandeliering is when a seemingly calm person suddenly flies off the handle for no reason. They have pushed hurt and anxiety so deep for so long that a seemingly innocent comment or event suddenly sends them straight through the chandelier.



5. Lack of Focus

Children with anxiety are often so caught up in their own thoughts that they do not pay attention to what is going on around them.

FOCUS

6. Avoidance

Children who are trying to avoid a particular person, place or task often end up experiencing more of whatever it is they are avoiding.



7. Negativity

People with anxiety tend to experience negative thoughts at a much greater intensity than positive ones.

8. Overplanning

Overplanning and defiance go hand in hand in their root cause. Where anxiety can cause some children to try to take back control through defiant behavior, it can cause others to overplan for situations where planning is minimal or unnecessary.



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Please can I remind all families of the uniform policy:-



Uniform:

School Uniform

A compulsory Notton House polo shirt (Royal Blue)

A compulsory Notton House sweatshirt (no hood) or grey fleece

Black or Grey Trousers (No tracksuit bottoms allowed except for P.E. lessons)

Black Shoes (no other colours permitted)



P.E. Kit

Students are permitted to wear their own PE kit but this must not include items with large logos.

Trainers (no black soles are permitted for indoor P.E. lessons)

Trousers can be purchased from supermarkets such as ASDA or Tesco.

School polo shirts, sweatshirts and fleeces are available for purchase directly from school. All the garments offer excellent value for money and are made from hard wearing, machine washable fabrics, embroidered with our logo.

Price List

Item	Size	Cost
Polo Shirt	9/10, 11/12	£6.50
Polo Shirt	S/M/L	£8.50
Sweatshirt	12/13	£7.00
Sweatshirt	S/M/L/XL	£8.50
Fleece	Youth L/XL	£11.00
Fleece	S/M/L/XL	£13.70

Mobile Phone Use at Notton House Academy



Mobile Phones do NOT keep you **SAFE** at school.



Staff keep you **SAFE** at school.

PLEASE keep yourself and others **SAFE** by handing in your phone to staff.



Lesson time is for **LEARNING** . . .



If you have your phone out in the school day, you are putting yourself and others at **RISK**.



You are **stopping** yourself from **LEARNING**.

You may be **stopping** others from **LEARNING**.

PLEASE KEEP YOURSELF
AND OTHERS **SAFE**!



ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2020-2021



School Holiday



Bank Holiday



Pupil Day



Inset Day



Pupil Inductions/Annual

September 2020						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thu	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
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Sun	6	13	20	27		

October 2020						
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Learn@ MAT INSET Days: 12th October 2020 and 5th February 2021; Possible additional Learn@ INSET 4th January 2021

NHA INSET Days: 1st September 2020; 7th & 8th September 2020; 1st April 2021; 25th June 2021