

Term 4 Newsletter 2019 – 2020



Message from Michelle Reysenn – Headteacher

Well, what a strange term. Where do I start? At the beginning?

Ok. In the beginning, term 4 started with staff and pupils marveling at all of the wonderful **site updates** that took place during February half term. There are many great pictures inside this newsletter for you to see. Updating areas, more spray paintings, new classrooms, new signage... the list goes on. Thank you to the **site team**, and our amazing contractors.

We also had our **Key 4 Life** away day, where 8 pupils and 6 staff joined the Key 4 Life charity to learn about finding opportunities to make their futures bright and make the right choices in times of hardship, sadness, or difficulty. See inside for more.

Week 2 brought us our annual social care inspection from **Ofsted**. For the second year in a row, we received an overall judgement of **GOOD**. On the next page, you will be able to read some of the comments written in the report. It was a thorough three days, looking closely at care areas, activities, pupil and parent voice, safety of the site, and pupil paperwork. Thank you to everyone. We all contribute to the amazing provision and care at Notton.

Throughout the term, we have also participated in a new **British E Sports** League. Although the league was cut short due to the virus, our team of Turrell, Reagen, and JK, won all three games; so for now we are **top** of our league! Well done boys!

But I cannot avoid mentioning the crisis that we are in with **Covid-19**. Staff, pupils, visitors, and families, have all been affected in some way, whether it is due to contracting the symptoms, or choosing to self-isolate for medical reasons, or because the school has had to make some difficult decisions regarding partial closure to reduce the risk of spreading or contracting the virus. We wish all our community to **stay safe and stay home**.

Of course, we cannot end on such despondent news. There is so much to be thankful for. Anton, our teacher for ASD students, is once again a father, and this time, to a **beautiful baby boy**. Enjoy these precious moments with your loved ones Anton!

Finally, we say **goodbye to Anna**, who has worked at Notton since January 2018. Anna has worked in lower school teaching the youngest pupils. She has decided to find a job nearer to home, and her family, securing a role in what she is primarily trained to do, as a dyslexia teacher.

Congratulations Anna, and best wishes for the future.

With this goodbye, we **welcome Natalie**, an experienced primary teacher who will be joining us from term 5 to lead Maple class.

WINNERS

There are no individual winners this term, as you are
ALL WINNERS!

Winners for being amazing, helpful,
staying calm through difficult times,
working together and showing our core
values.



SAFETY
KINDNESS
RESPECT

Ofsted Residential Care Inspection March 2020

'Children enjoy coming to the school.'

'The health and well-being of children is prioritised.'

'Children are influential in the development of the school.'

'Children feel safe and kept safe by staff.'

'Leaders and managers prioritise staff well-being.'



Key 4 Life Away Day

I thought the day at Key4Life was an incredible experience for all involved. The horses really brought out a compassionate and brave side of the boys that we rarely see in a school environment.

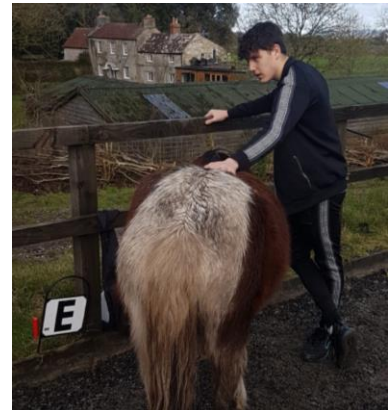
Naturally, I loved Dave's sessions with the tuning forks and the Imagine visualisation, giving the boys a brilliant tool they can repeatedly use to change their train of thought if they get overcome with emotion or anger etc and even to practise more often to change their daily outlook, using the skill as a proactive tool before they even get to the stage of anger.

I thought Pablo and Daniel's football session was challenging, but again those guys were brilliant at teaching the boys how they can think critically and problem solve for themselves in situations that are presented to them. Also, loved the offer of going for a tour of the Kiyan Prince stadium and maybe watch a QPR game as well. Lovely to have BAME role models for our students as there aren't as many at school.

The day at Key4Life was a real eye-opener. Initially I was dubious as to how some of our students would actually cope with the day, especially as any change in routine can be very awkward. As expected there was some reluctance on the first activity where we had to stand round in a circle, and even with staff joining in some of the students refused to get involved.

Then came horse therapy! I was amazed to see students first leading round ponies, talking to them and getting the ponies to do different things. To be honest I really wasn't expecting this! Then to see students riding the horses around the rink - I couldn't believe the difference in these students who we often see out of class damaging property and being aggressive towards staff.

The same students then actively participated in the other activities organised and engaged well with the leaders and their peers. They also enjoyed the presence of three dogs.



Esports Championship

As schools began to close, Notton House were looking good at the top of the table and were well on track for a convincing win in our group and a spot in the finals. The top team, St Vincent's, from the other group are looking forward to playing us in the future once our respective teams return to school.

Group B

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Against	Diff	Streak	Points
NottonHouseAcademy	3	3	0	0	9	0	9	3	9
Haybrook-College-Gateway	2	1	1	0	3	3	0	1	3
Glebe-School	2	1	1	0	3	3	0	1	3
ShenstoneLodgeSchool	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
The-Green-Room	1	0	1	0	0	3	-3	0	0
NorthWestSurreyShortStaySchool	2	0	2	0	0	6	-6	0	0

In the last week, the boys played two schools, Haybrook College and The Green Room, with convincing 3-0 wins in both. The individual games were amazing, with only one goal conceded in three games against The Green Room and 27 goals for the home side. Once again, JK was a valuable new addition to the team and the interplay between Reagen and Turrell was outstanding. All three boys communicated well and were able to move between defence and attack with such speed that the opposition struggled to get into the game and secure any possession.

The-Green-Room

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Nickname	Role
The-Green-Room	Leader
EH	
CV	
MB	

NottonHouseAcademy

3

Nickname	Role
NottonHouseAcademy	Leader
Reagen	
Turrell	
JK	

Best of 5

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Group B

Round 3

Confirmed

Scores

None	0 - 7
None	1 - 10
None	0 - 10
None	0 - 0
None	0 - 0

So much fun at the farm

Pupils LOVE spending time at the farm with our animal therapist Caroline. The pictures are so MOOOving!



We have new Eggs!

Pupils in Oak class have started to care for their new eggs in the hope we will soon have some more chicks!



Potato Planting

Pupils in Oak class have planted some potatoes.



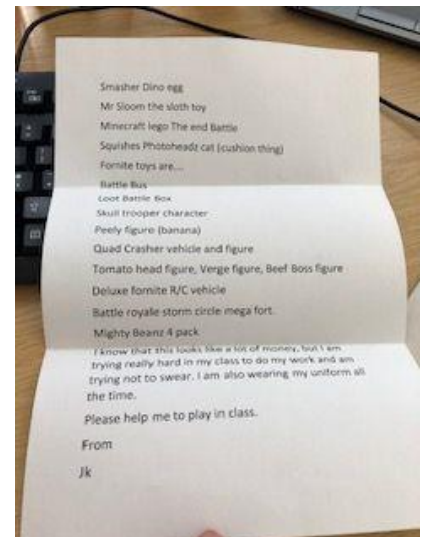
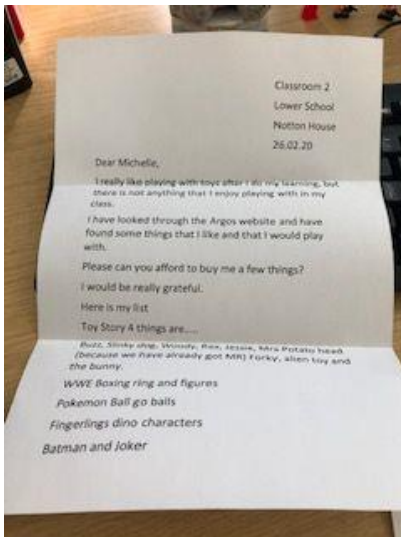
SMSC - Celebrating Japan

Staff and pupils are learning about the Far East and Asia. Pupils in Oak class have chosen to learn more about Japan. Nathan, one of our learning facilitators, clearly loves the native clothing!



Shopping List

JK in Oak class has written Michelle a letter asking for more toys for the classroom. So Michelle sent him away with an order form! Hope it doesn't cost too much?!



Sensory Rice

Thank you to Oak class who have brought Michelle her very own bowl of sensory rice, to help calm her when feeling stressed!



New flooring in the education block toilets



It may not seem a big deal, but having new, clean flooring is very important for hygiene, safety, and well-being.

New 'quiet' classroom for ASD learners



We have responded to pupil voice, and our ASD learners have asked for a new classroom in a new location. They now have their own ICT suite, bespoke classroom, and sensory garden.

New bathrooms for Kennet!



Two of the four bathrooms on Kennet have been updated so they are fresh and clean, and modern.

Clean and fresh paint for Courtyard

The Lower school residential area has been updated during half term with fresh paint to the walls of Courtyard lounge, kitchen, and dining room. Thank you to the site team!



New space for the MUSIC room



The music room has been relocated to the main education block making it more accessible to students. Jess, our engagement worker, will be using this space to help some young people learn a new skill.



Stunning Spray Paintings

Ollie, Gage Graphics, has worked his magic to fill some empty spaces, and also, add a splash of colour to the door of the education block. He also managed to touch up a few paintings in care areas.



New signage at NHA!



We finally have new site and location signs at Notton, to match the uniform, and website. Don't they look fantastic?

New carpets for lower school corridor!



Lower school now has carpet in the corridor instead of cold, hard, floor bricks. This space will be used for quiet time, and interventions.

Exam News



Some students may feel that not having exams is good news, but for others, it is the end of their formal years of education. So many pupils in both years 10 and 11 have worked really hard towards their exams, and now it is unclear how grades will be awarded. Jo Newman, from New Mango Careers, will continue to work with all year 11s and their families to ensure that college and work placements can be secured for September. We really do hope to have all of our year 11s back in for a farewell celebration as soon as we can. But for now, farewell year 11. xxx

FIFTEEN APPS

PARENTS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

MEETME



MEETME IS A DATING SOCIAL MEDIA APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO CONNECT WITH PEOPLE BASED ON GEOGRAPHIC PROXIMITY. AS THE APP'S NAME SUGGESTS, USERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO MEET EACH OTHER IN PERSON.

GRINDR



GRINDR IS A DATING APP CEARED TOWARDS GAY, BI AND TRANSGENDER PEOPLE. THE APP GIVES USERS OPTIONS TO CHAT, SHARE PHOTOS AND MEET UP BASED ON A SMART PHONE'S GPS LOCATION.

SKOUT



SKOUT IS A LOCATION-BASED DATING APP AND WEBSITE. WHILE USERS UNDER 17-YEARS-OLD ARE UNABLE TO SHARE PRIVATE PHOTOS, KIDS CAN EASILY CREATE AN ACCOUNT USING A DIFFERENT AGE.

WHATSAPP



WHATSAPP IS A POPULAR MESSAGING APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO SEND TEXTS, PHOTOS, MAKE CALLS AND VIDEO CHATS WORLDWIDE. WHATSAPP USES AN INTERNET CONNECTION ON SMART PHONES AND COMPUTERS.

TIKTOK



TIKTOK IS A NEW MOBILE DEVICE APP POPULAR WITH KIDS USED FOR CREATING AND SHARING SHORT VIDEOS. WITH VERY LIMITED PRIVACY CONTROLS, USERS ARE VULNERABLE TO BULLYING AND EXPLICIT CONTENT.

BADOO



BADOO IS A DATING AND SOCIAL NETWORKING APP WHERE USERS CAN CHAT, SHARE PHOTOS AND VIDEOS AND CONNECT BASED ON LOCATION. WHILE THE APP IS INTENDED FOR ADULTS ONLY, TEENS ARE KNOWN TO CREATE PROFILES.

BUMBLE



BUMBLE IS SIMILAR TO THE POPULAR DATING APP 'TINDER' HOWEVER, IT REQUIRES WOMEN TO MAKE THE FIRST CONTACT. KIDS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO USE BUMBLE TO CREATE FAKE ACCOUNTS AND FALSIFY THEIR AGE.

SNAPCHAT



SNAPCHAT IS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR APPS IN RECENT YEARS. WHILE THE APP PROMISES USERS CAN TAKE A PHOTO/VIDEO AND IT WILL DISAPPEAR, NEW FEATURES INCLUDING 'STORIES' ALLOW USERS TO VIEW CONTENT FOR UP TO 24

KIK



KIK ALLOWS ANYONE TO CONTACT AND DIRECT MESSAGE YOUR CHILD. KIDS CAN BYPASS TRADITIONAL TEXT MESSAGING FEATURES. KIK GIVES USERS UNLIMITED ACCESS TO ANYONE, ANYWHERE, ANYTIME.

LIVE.ME



LIVE.ME IS A LIVE-STREAMING VIDEO APP THAT USES GEOLOCATION TO SHARE VIDEOS SO USERS CAN FIND OUT A BROADCASTER'S EXACT LOCATION. USERS CAN EARN 'COINS' AS A WAY TO 'PAY' MINORS FOR PHOTOS.

HOLLA



HOLLA IS A SELF-PROCLAIMED 'ADDICTING' VIDEO CHAT APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO MEET PEOPLE ALL OVER THE WORLD IN JUST SECONDS. REVIEWERS SAY THEY HAVE BEEN CONFRONTED WITH RACIAL SLURS, EXPLICIT CONTENT AND MORE.

WHISPER



WHISPER IS AN ANONYMOUS SOCIAL NETWORK THAT PROMOTES SHARING SECRETS WITH STRANGERS. IT ALSO REVEALS A USER'S LOCATION SO PEOPLE CAN MEET UP.

ASK.FM



ASK.FM IS KNOWN FOR CYBER BULLYING. THE APP ENCOURAGES USERS TO ALLOW ANONYMOUS PEOPLE TO ASK THEM QUESTIONS.

CALCULATOR%



CALCULATOR% IS ONLY ONE OF SEVERAL SECRET APPS USED TO HIDE PHOTOS, VIDEOS, FILES AND BROWSER HISTORY.

HOT OR NOT



HOT OR NOT ENCOURAGES USERS TO RATE YOUR PROFILE, CHECK OUT PEOPLE IN THEIR AREA, AND CHAT WITH STRANGERS. THE GOAL OF THIS APP IS TO HOOK UP.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2019-2020



School Holiday



Bank Holiday



Pupil Day



Inset Day



Pupil Inductions/Annual

September 2019						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
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Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

October 2019						
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Sun	6	13	20	27		

November 2019						
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May 2020						
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July 2020						
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August 2020						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
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