

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Monday 19th—Friday 23rd February - HALF TERM

- 26.02.18 Year 5 - Rainforest Roadshow
- 28.02.18 Year 3 Swimming
- 28.02.18 EYFS - Book at Bedtime
- 01.03.18 World Book Day
- 07.03.18 Year 3 Swimming
- 09.03.18 EYFS Mother's Day Assembly
- 16.03.18 INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
- 20.03.18 Class / Group Photo's
- 21.03.18 Year 3 Swimming
- 22.03.18 Parents Evening
- 29.03.18 End of Term—Easter Holidays**
- 16.04.18 Return to school 8.45am**



### Family Learning

Thank you to the year 5/6 parents who attended the three week SPAG course. We hope you found this informative and useful.

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a great half term this has been. Thank you for all of your support since we returned in January. The next half term promises to be even better.

## Cross Country Championships

Well done to the Netherbrook Cross Country Team who won both the Girls and Boys Events at round one of the Learning Link Multi Academy Trust Championships held at Sledmere this week. Not only did we win the overall team events but Joe H and Ellie W in Year 6 also won the individual competition too. We are very proud. Well done.



When we return after half term, we will have the Early Years Book at Bedtime, World Book Day and Mother's Day Assembly to look forward to. Class and group photos are on Tuesday 20th March and Parents Evening is on Thursday 22nd March—appointment times will be released shortly.

Please see page two of the newsletter this week for our write up in the Express and Star and Chronicle. Also, please take a look at the attendance information. We strive each year for at least 96% overall attendance. Please help us to achieve this by making sure your child attends every day, on time.

On the subject of attendance, we are still having a high number of holiday requests in term time. Please note that we are not allowed to authorise these and you may receive a fine from Education Investigation Services. So please take holidays outside of the normal term time.

We hope everyone has a happy and peaceful half term break. We look forward to seeing you again on

**Monday 26th February at 8.45am.**



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# School tots up success by opening new nursery centre

A PRIMARY school has celebrated the opening of a new nursery centre.

Netherbrook Primary, on Chester Road, has declared open its Nethertots Nursery Centre on January 26.

The school has built a new building for the nursery, which will cater for two and three-year-old children.

Mr Phil Rawlings, headteacher of Netherbrook, said: "I am extremely happy to be able to offer such an outstanding new facility which will serve the needs of our community. It really is an amazing new building with wonderful resources and we are lucky enough to have recruited some brilliant and experienced staff."

### Project

The building was commissioned by Dudley Council. Work was carried out by AM Griffiths builders, based in Wolverhampton.

"I can't praise AM Griffiths enough for their hard work, attention to detail and proactive approach to a challenging project," added Mr Rawlings.

"The whole team worked tirelessly to complete the building on time and the quality is amazing."

### By Jamie Brassington

The project has taken a total of six months to complete.

Nethertots will be open Monday to Friday, from 9am to 3.30pm. For more information about the nursery and the school, visit [www.netherbrook.dudley.sch.uk](http://www.netherbrook.dudley.sch.uk) website.

Pictured at the opening of the new nursery are, from left, Donna Farnell, Childcare Lead for Dudley local authority; Catherine Marshall Netherbrook, EYFS assistant headteacher; Phil Rawlings, headteacher, Jayne Homer, Nethertots Centre Manager, Sam Smith, site manager for AMG, Vicky Garbett, Nethertots keyworker and Josh Coleman, AMG quantity surveyor.



Netherbrook Primary School and nursery centre staff with representatives of the builders at Nethertots Nursery

**EVERY  
SCHOOL DAY  
COUNTS**

### Attendance Information

6th September- 16th February

RH - 91.43%	RKW - 92.83%
1C - 95.34%	1L - 93.12%
2H - 94.68%	2W - 96.72%
3FR - 95.73%	3H - 96.51%
4W - 96.01%	4J - 95.02%
5C - 95.38%	5J - 94.84%
6G - 96.02%	6M - 96.63%

Overall - 94.51%



**Well Done Everyone!**



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