



Dates for your Diary



Monday 4th November

9.00am Friends of Nishkam Meeting

Tuesday 5th November

Reception intake September 2020 - Open Evening for prospective parents 5.00pm-6.30pm

Wednesday 6th November

Meeting for Year 3, 4 and 5 parents with Principal from Nishkam High School

Thursday 7th November

Reception intake September 2020 - Open Morning for prospective parents 9.15am-10.15am

Tuesday 12th November

Guru Nanak Dev Ji Gurburab Celebrations

Wednesday 13th November

Year 1 Parents Phonics Workshop

Thursday 14th November

Nasal Flu Vaccinations

Note

All term dates can be found at on our website:

<https://www.nishkamschooltrust.org/npsb/page/?title=Term+dates&pid=304>

Reception Parents

Reception Parents Reading Invite



Reading is such an important part of every child's life. We believe it is important that parents share in this experience too. Every Thursday morning from 8.40am - 8.55am, we welcome you to come and join us in our reception classrooms to read with your child.

Phonics Sessions

On Tuesday 3rd December Reception parents are invited to join their child's phonics lesson (9-9.25am). Please wait outside the classrooms in our playground for entry at 9am.

Year 1 – Year 6 Geography Project

To celebrate our love of geography and collaborative learning, we have set Years 1 to 6 a geography project to enrich their learning. Children have been sent home with a guidance letter and project pack that contains further information. We look forward to seeing the outcomes!

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27th September 2019

Farewell to Ms Kundi

Nishkam Primary School bid farewell to Ms Kundi today.

Ms Kundi has been with the school since June 2017. We wish Ms Kundi all best towards her semi-retirement.

Poem for Ms Kundi

If we look at life like writing a book,
each page might be worth a second look,
they'll be good times and bad,
when we felt happy or sad,
and times that made us feel just raging mad.
Each chapter we reach brings something new
and for you dear Ms Kundi, this is going to be true.
As you move on, you'll start filling new pages;
some will be quick, and others will take ages.
You are moving on now, to new beginnings
and we'd like to thank you for your Nishkam innings.
You will be missed, I'm sure that will be so.
but we know that you feel it is your time to go.
We hope that you have felt valued here
and maybe leaving will have you shed a little tear.
Whatever life brings you or wherever you go,
may your hopes and dreams begin to show.
Ruby we wish you all the best
and hope that your future will be truly blessed.

C.Parke & The
Nishkam Primary School Family

Poetry Week



On Monday 30th September, Nishkam Primary School launched Poetry Week. It coincided with National Poetry Day (Thursday 3rd October), where the theme was 'truth'.

The school was a hive of poetry activity all week. Children across the school were: -

- reading poetry
- responding to poetry
- comparing poems
- creating class poems
- potting features
- performing poems

The children fine-tuned their writing skills and created their own poems. It was lovely to see them developing their own poetic style and having the confidence to be creative with what can (sometimes) be a challenging concept to understand. Many of you will have seen their hard work during Open Evening. However, it does not need to stop there...why not enjoy more poetry during the half term holidays?

Year 1 Phonics Parent Workshop

Year 1 pupils are invited to attend a workshop on 13th November 2019. This is to discuss the upcoming Year 1 Phonics Test.

The Year 1 phonics screening check is a way for teachers to ensure that children are making sufficient progress with their phonics skills and that they are on track to become fluent readers who can enjoy reading for pleasure and for learning.

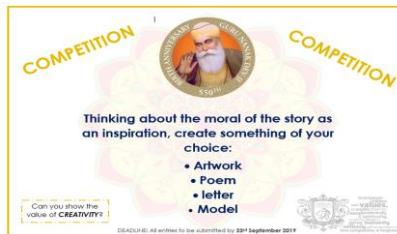
Guru Nanak Dev Ji 550 Celebrations

Thank you for all your support with our prayer challenge. We have requested that all pupils complete 550 prayers from 1st October to 12th November (actual day of Guru Nanak Dev Ji's birthday) using prayer from their own faith. This works out to be approximately 12 prayers a day.

For example, Sikh pupils could recite the 'mool manter' 12 times a day.

Parents and pupils have been extremely positive about the challenge.

Creativity Competition



For those of you that have yet to enter the competition we have attached a reminder to this email.

Winners will be announced during our Faith Enrichment. Details of which are to follow.

Parents Open Consultation

Thank you very much for your attendance at our first Parents' Evening of the year as it is a great opportunity for us to work together to support your child's learning. We love having the opportunity to show parents our classroom and environments and work in pupils books so far.

Complaints and Concerns

Your views are welcomed. In the spirit of true partnership between home, school and the community, you are encouraged to say what you think should go on within the school. We aim for high standards but sometimes things can go wrong or expectations are not met.

It is hoped that most complaints and concerns will be resolved quickly and informally within 5 working days.

If parents have a complaint, they should normally contact their child's classroom teacher. In many cases, the matter will be resolved straightaway, to the parents' satisfaction.

If the Classroom Teacher cannot resolve the matter alone, it may be necessary for them to consult Mrs Sembi, our Parent Liaison Officer, who will discuss with the Leadership Team.

Please note that all queries and concerns should always be sent to our school email address. Enquiries.NPSB@nishkamschools.org

Our complaints policy can be found online for your convenience. <https://www.nishkamschooltrust.org/attachments/download.asp?file=52>

Grandparents Assembly

It was a real pleasure to welcome so many grandparents into our school to watch a special assembly performed by Humility 2. They lovingly shared personal anecdotes about why grandparents are so special, performed a poem and a song that they wrote themselves. Here are a few comments and photos from the day:

My nanni giggled when she heard what I said.

I saw tears of happiness.

I loved watching my granddaughter on the stage. So grown up!

Thank you so much, Bubbly Aunty! Awesome tea and biscuits!

A wonderful and touching performance. Thank you



Thank You

We had 141 runners on Sunday, raising awareness for the charity Zero Hunger with Langar. It was a phenomenal event and we are so grateful to all the parents and families who came out and supported the event. We have raised over £3000 so far and are still collecting sponsor money via the web link <https://www.serve.world/nishkam-primary-school-zhw1-great-run-2019>

We hope that pupil participation will carry on year on year. The benefits and rewards are immense but include:

- A medal - a small reward for your child's effort and a reminder of the accomplishment which is always great for a motivation boost.
- Supporting charity work. Running for something worthwhile is a great way to stay motivated to keep training and make races even more meaningful.



2017, our journey began 20 of us ran alongside Fauja Singh



In 2018 46 children ran, promoting the charity Zero Hunger with Langar, we raised £2050



2019 141 runners, we are still fundraising!

Great Birmingham 10K Sunday 31st May 2020

Parents, it's your turn. We now have 10 parents joining us at the Birmingham 10k on Sunday 31st May 2020 to run for Zero Hunger with Langar.

With over six months to the event, there is plenty of time for training but there is also an option to walk the 10K. Remember, as parents we are role models. When our children see us implementing and achieving goals, it teaches them the importance of values such as determination and self-discipline in their daily life.

There is also a 20% discount if you register by 10am on Monday 21st October (deadline has been extended from Friday 18th October). Please see the website for sign up instructions.



great **birmingham**
10k

SUNDAY 31 MAY 2020

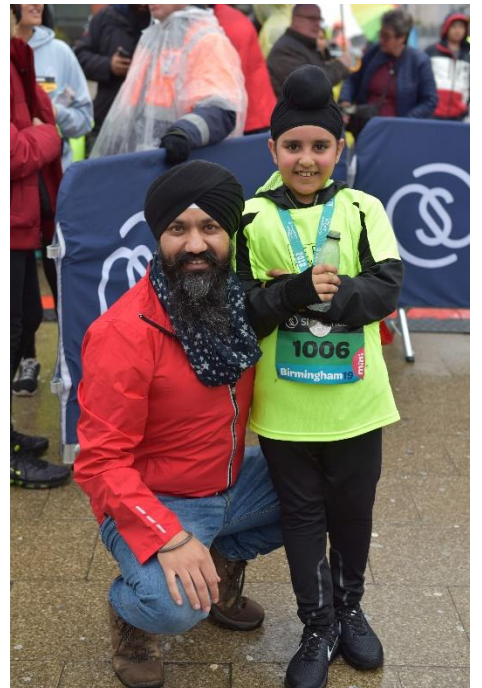
£22.40 early bird price
until 10am 21.10.2019

ENTER TODAY

Simply Healthy Junior & Mini Great Birmingham Run

A picture really is worth a thousand words. Each of these pictures depicts values such as determination, confidence, courage and excellence.

Well done runners, we hope to see many more children join us in 2020.



Class Dojo



Children's behaviour in class is monitored by use of the 'Class Dojo'. Positives are awarded for good work and showing values. The children with the most positives in each class are celebrated in assembly along with the class that has the most positives for the week. Well done to all the children listed below and keep up the good work!

Children Awarded with the Most Positives		
Class Name	Week ending 4th Oct	Week ending 11th Oct
Service 1	Sienna	Jaiveer
Service 2	Pavani	Gaurav
Humility 1	Armaan	Khankhor
Humility 2	Harjot	Aljit
Compassion 1	Arujn	Bhajan
Compassion 2	Satnaam	Simran
Forgiveness 1	Preeya	Preeya
Forgiveness 2	Gurjap	Jasmine
Contentment 1	Milveen	Milveen
Contentment 2	Radhika & Simarjeet	Simarjeet
Optimism 1	Anika	Santa
Optimism 2	Gurnihal	Jaswant

Good Workers			Good Handwriting Award		
Class Name	Week ending 4th Oct	Week ending 11th Oct	Class Name	Week ending 4th Oct	Week ending 11th Oct
Service 1	Simrt	Jaiveer	Service 1	Balmit	Hashwin
Service 2	Rajbir		Service 2	Gaurav	
Humility 1	Bhavleen	Amrit	Humility 1	Hargun	Amreet
Humility 2	Class - Assembly	Gagan	Humility 2	Ranveer	Sukhjot
Compassion 1	Avneet	Jaikaar	Compassion 1	Harjot S	Laila
Compassion 2	Satnam	-	Compassion 2	-	-
Forgiveness 1	Chayden	-	Forgiveness 1	Amarbeer	-
Forgiveness 2	Kavanvir, Jayden & Armaan	Ajay, Shaan & Gurjap	Forgiveness 2	Ekampreet	Harnam
Contentment 1	Manveer	Mehtab	Contentment 1	Simran	Jaanvi & Jeevan
Contentment 2	Rajan	Sukhmani K K	Contentment 2	Wedh	Sukhmani S
Optimism 1	Devan	Harveer	Optimism 1	Simran	Vedh & Amerpreet
Optimism 2	Ryan	Avneet K & Santokh	Optimism 2	Jai	Veer-Singh