Newtown Church of England Primary School



Growing together in strength, love and wisdom, we shine.

> Newsletter Friday 24th May 2024

Message from the Head

It has been a very busy week at Newtown as we arrive at the end of the first summer half term. A big well done to all the children for all their efforts within the classroom and outside of it and thank you to our team of staff who work tirelessly for the benefit of all our children. All thoroughly deserve a lovely break and I look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 4th June.

Reading At Newtown

Our school is committed to nurturing a love of reading among our children and we have exciting news to share with you.

After half term we are introducing 'Remarkable Readers' to celebrate the children's engagement with reading at home.

On a Thursday each class teacher will check the Home School Reading Journals of each child and those with four or more comments will go towards the weekly class percentage. The class with the highest percentage will win a golden book which will be read by a 'mystery reader'.

Please can we remind you of the importance of recording journals.

- In EYFS and KS1 parents are asked to comment or tick after every read.
- In KS2 we expect children are able to begin to record their own comments after they have read.

We would kindly like to remind you of the need for journals to be in school every day to fully support reading for pleasure and the vital home / school communication. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Clubs

We are pleased to share that we have even more afterschool club options for children after half term as we look to give children the opportunity of experiencing different extra-curricular activities.

	Club	Staff Lead	Club	Staff Lead
Mon	Young Engineers	Mr Roberts		
Tue	Art & Craft	Mr Roberts		
Wed	Cooking	Mrs Braithwaite	Gardening Club	Miss Wilds
Thu	Athletics	Sports Coaches	British Sign Language (KS2)	Miss Morris
Fri	Forest School	Mr Roberts	Funky Fingers (EYFS/KS1)	Mrs Hidalgo

All these clubs will run from 3:15pm to 4:30pm with Sunset Club continuing until 5:30pm for those who require it and can be booked via Teachers2Parents.

School Uniform

A reminder that at Newtown we are doing our best to ensure that children take pride in their school – this includes wearing the correct school uniform and adhering to the school uniform policy.

This policy not only includes what children are to wear but also what not to. Such things on the list includes no wearing of make-up, jewellery, false nails / eyelashes and trainers. We appreciate your support in upholding the highest of standards and expectations for the children attending Newtown. Thank you.

General Election

As you will be aware, on July 4th there will be a General Election. There is the expectation that the school will be used as a Polling Station and therefore will be closed to children. This is still to be confirmed but

Press & Publicity

Some of you will have noticed that our Fabulous colour Run event got featured in the Shropshire Star earlier this week. For those of you who didn't see the article, the link is here for you:

https://www.shropshirestar.com/news/education/2024/05/21/headteach er-aets-a-good-gungeing-for-a-good-cause-at-colourful-school-event/

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Mini Olympics

Hawk Class had the brilliant opportunity to attend the Mini Olympics at Thomas Adams this Thursday! They worked together with other local primary schools to complete a range of different sports activities such as football, obstacle courses and even archery! Well done all on your fantastic efforts!





Bikeability

Our Year 6 children could be spotted on the roads around Newtown this week as they enjoyed 3 days of Bikeability Training. Thank you to all the children who brought their bikes in and learnt how to stay safe on the roads. It's something that is often taken for granted but to give the children the opportunity to learn the skills they need will be beneficial to them throughout their lives. Well done all!

Instagram

To further publicise all that is great at Newtown – and on the request of some parents – we will be launching a Newtown Instagram account after the half term break which will link with our very popular Facebook page. We will use the granted permission information parents gave for Facebook but if you would like this to be different for Instagram, please send the office a very brief email and we will update our records. Thank you.

PD Day

A reminder that Monday 3rd June is a PD Day therefore the children will return to school on Tuesday 4th June.



Special Educational Needs Newsletter

If your child has SEN, please see the latest newsletter. The newsletter aims to provide easy access to key information for SEND families, as well as an opportunity for parent carers to hear from each other about their experiences.

https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKSHROPS HIRE/bulletins/39c6455

Attendance

Owl 95% Hawk 94% Kestrel 97% ** Osprey 98% *** Falcon 97% *

> Average for this week 96% Our whole target is 97%

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Shining Stars of the Week

Owl Class

Isabella for always showing determination with her learning.

Hawk Class

Rene for her amazing vocabulary when writing her literacy story.

Kestrel Class

Jacob for being incredibly conscientious and always putting gin 100% effort in everything he does.

Osprey Class Jamie for always showing positivity in class.

Class Dojos Winners

Owl Class – Ruben, Elexus & Teddi-Jay Hawk Class – Rene, Henry & Laure-Jayne Kestrel Class – Harriet, Emma & Olivia. Osprey Class – Lola, Harry & Alfred.

Class Dojo House Leaderboard

Clorley: 164 Robinson: 160 Grifftihs: 143 Morgan: 135

Outside Achievements

Olivia for completing her Stage 4 swimming. Well done Olivia!

Olly has received a medal for scoring 4 goals in a football match and has also learnt how to paddleboard and was able to paddle twice around the lake without falling in! Well done Olly!



Have a wonderful half term break

Kind regards, Mr Crompton.

Key School Dates

June 3rd June 4th June

PD Day Children Return to School

July 19th July

Break Up for Summer

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