

Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

**Newsletter
Friday 27th September 2024**

Message from the Head

As this week has demonstrated, we aim to significantly increase the number of sporting - and other - events our children participate in.

In line with our commitment to enhancing opportunities, we have developed a comprehensive year-long events programme for the children which we are very much looking forward to.

We have also been able to facilitate access to the Ellesmere College minibus – when available and useful - to reduce transport costs. This will not only save us thousands of pounds a year, but it will also allow us to attend more extra-curricular events.

Regrettably, we cannot take every child to every event; and often the school needs to select a team. This means not every child can attend every event which may lead to disappointment for some children.

There are no strict criteria for selection, as it depends on various factors, but we always aim to strike a balance between being competitive and inclusive.

We will endeavour to provide all children with opportunities, but unavoidably occasional disappointment is inevitable. We encourage parents to view this as a valuable learning experience for children as they prepare for future challenges.

Upcoming Events

In the afternoon of Wednesday October 2nd all Year 3 and Year 4 children will attend a football event at Ellesmere Rangers. Further details have been circulated.

On the morning of Friday 4th October, all Year 6 children will visit Thomas Adams to take part in a Young Enterprise Event. This 'The Apprentice' style event holds fond memories for the school as last year we came out winners! Can we defend our title this time? We shall see!

Girls Football

Yesterday I, along with Mr Tinsley, had the pleasure of taking our Girls Football Team to Oswestry School to take part in a football event against several other schools.

I was incredibly proud of our team. Despite playing against much larger schools and often much bigger children, Team Newtown came 3rd out of 12 schools.

This huge achievement reflected the attitude of the team which played with passion, determination, bravery and great skill – they really did themselves, and school, proud. Well done all!



Newtown Slow Down Posters

There is no reduced speed limit in Newtown or the road that leads to the school from the road and we want to ask the children to help slow down traffic. Therefore, Wem Rural have asked us to run a competition for children to design a poster which asks drivers to slow down which can then be displayed on roadsides. Paper is available from the school and we will select winners by 11th October.

Menu Options

On occasion, there has been a bit of confusion with when the school menus will be shared with parents. Please be patient, whilst the system we use helps us, there may be times when the menus are released at different times. Please be patient – they will arrive before Monday.

If, in the unlikely event they don't, your child will not go hungry and it is something we can sort out on Monday morning. If you have any issues with ordering, please contact Mrs Hanbury in the office.

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Parent Questionnaire

It is important that we understand what is working well and what requires development, and it is for this reason that we regularly circulate a Parent Questionnaire. We ask that all parents complete the questionnaire which has recently been communicated to enable the school to keep on improving. Many thanks.

Open Day Success

It was lovely welcoming families to Newtown early this week for our first Open Day event of the year. If you know of any parents who are considering a place at Newtown, please encourage them to get in touch with either the school or myself personally, and I'll be more than happy to show them everything we have to offer here at Newtown.

Operation Christmas Child

This year, through a campaign called Operation Christmas Child, run by the UK charity Samaritan's Purse, Newtown Primary School is joining with thousands of other schools up and down the country in wrapping, packing, and sending shoeboxes full of gifts – things like cuddly toys, games, balls, hats, gloves and scarves, stationery, and hygiene items – to children in need around the world.

Please look out for further details next week as, with the help of our Charity Ministers, we will launch this project.

General Consent

A request to the last few parents to please complete the General Consent forms which were emailed out last week – you should have also received reminders. We ask that all parents complete this as soon as possible on the School App. If you are having trouble accessing, please speak to the office who will be more than happy to help you.

Attendance This week

Owl Class 100% ★★★★★
Hawk Class 99% ★★★★★
Kestrel Class 99% ★★★★★
Osprey Class 100% ★★★★★
Falcon Class 93%

A great week of attendance! Well done all!

Average 98%

Our whole target is 97%

BINGO Night

Join us for an exciting evening with great prizes,
Bingo and plenty of surprises!

If you can donate any raffle prizes, please hand
into Newtown School reception

Ticket's via PayPal: foncommittee@outlook.com

18TH OCT

7PM

Wem Town Hall

Friends of Newtown School and The NCRA

Shining Stars of the Week

Owl Class

Elexus for using her amazing listening ears!

Hawk Class

Mia for following demonstrating how to follow the school
rules and class expectations.

Kestrel Class

Levi for his amazing handwriting and creativity.

Osprey Class

Trevor for being a responsible member of the class and
setting a great example.

Falcon Class

Ava for showing perseverance and producing great writing.

Outside Achievements

Alfred for his latest award in the world of squash!

Ashley for being named Player of the Match in his last game
of football.

Lucas for being recognised with an award for his amazing
martial arts!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Your sincerely,
Mr Crompton.

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Key School Dates

October

2 nd October	Year 3/4 Football Tournament
4 th October	Year 6 Business Enterprise
14 th October	Parents Evening
15 th October	Parents Evening
16 th October	Harvest Festival 9:15am – 10:00am Parents welcome
17 th October	EYFS Theatre Trip
22 nd October	Newhampton Journey Day
24 th October	Kestrel Class Ironworks Trip

January

6 th – 8 th January	Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip Robinwood
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March

13 th – 14 th March	Year 3 & 4 Residential Trip Condover
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May

12 th – 15 th May	Year 6 SATs Week
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June

8 th – 13 th June	Phonics Screening Check Year 4 Multiplication Check
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NURSERY SPACES AVAILABLE

from 3 years old 8:45am to 3:15pm

We are dedicated to providing a nurturing and stimulating environment where your child will grow, learn and develop.

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Messy Play
Forest School
Music and Movement

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