

Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

**Newsletter
Friday 11th October 2024**

Message from the Head

This week we have launched the '50 Things to Do Before You Leave Newtown...' initiative. This is a list of fifty activities or experiences that we think all children should complete at Newtown before they move on to secondary education.

The list is all about the personal development of the child and looks to enhance the primary school journey beyond the classroom.

Designed to broaden horizons, the children will all have a '50 Things... Passport' which will be stamped throughout their time at Newtown and be presented to them when they leave us. What adventures will children have before they leave Newtown?



Cross-Country Pride

Last week, Harriet and Eva represented the school brilliantly at the Cross-Country event in Oswestry. The girls finished comfortably in the Top 30 which was a magnificent achievement considering the large number of participants.

On Wednesday, team Newtown took a trip to the Marches again to compete against lots of other schools in the local area. Our 3 runners, Harriet, Bonnie and Emma, did exceptionally well and did a brilliant job of representing our school.

Not only did the girls achieve great positions, but they also showed great teamwork, cheering each other on and celebrating each other's achievements. Well done girls, you should be extremely proud of yourselves!



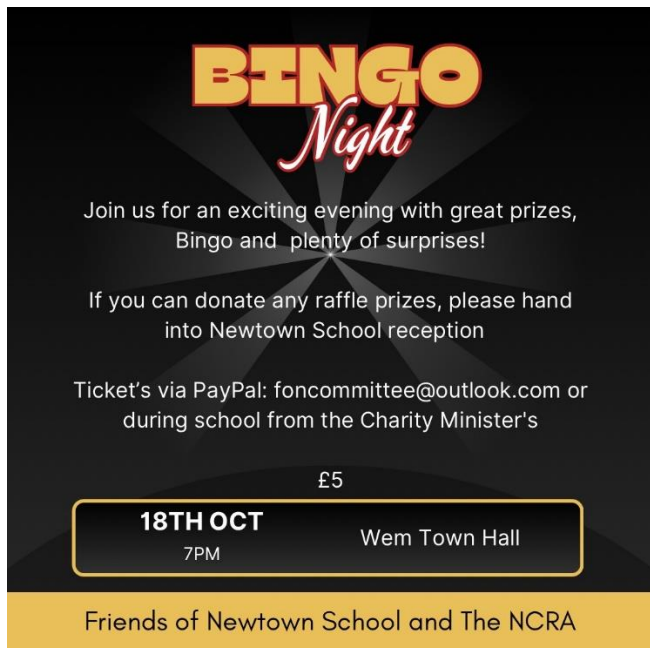
Friends of Newtown

Our wonderful Friends of Newtown do so much to support our school with events and fundraising throughout each and every year. The upcoming Bingo event promises to be a great night of entertainment for the whole family!

The funds raised make a huge difference to the educational experience of all the children at Newtown – so please do all you can to support this event. Tickets will also be sold by our Charity Ministers before school next week.

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Ellesmere College Football

It was a pleasure to spend most of yesterday with our U11 football team competing in a tournament at Ellesmere College. The competition was made up of 14 teams from across Shropshire, Cheshire and Wales and a mixture of independent and state schools.

Our team had a mixture wins, draws and losses but showed great determination throughout despite being exhausted by the end.



A special mention to Jack for his outstanding performances which earned him the honour of being named the Newtown player of the match on most occasions.

Break the Rules Day

Will have the unique opportunity to break the regular school rules for one day only – 18th October! This is a fantastic chance for them to express their individuality

while helping to raise money for important school funds.

We ask for a donation of 50p for each rule broken. Please enclose the money in an envelope which can be handed to their class teacher on the day. All funds raised will go towards enhancing our school facilities and resources, helping to provide an even better learning environment for our children.



Pupil Premium Funding

Pupil Premium funding is available for eligible families, which provides additional support for children in our school. This funding can be crucial in enhancing educational opportunities and resources for your child.

The Pupil Premium is available to families who receive certain benefits. The eligibility criteria include the following:

1. **Income Support** - If your family is in receipt of Income Support.
2. **Income-Based Job Seekers Allowance** - If you are receiving this allowance.
3. **Child Tax Credit** - If your family earns less than £16,190 per annum and is not receiving Working Tax Credit.
4. **Universal Credit** - If your household's taxable earnings are less than £7,400 per annum.
5. **The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit** - If your family qualifies under this criterion.
6. **Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999** - If applicable.

If you believe that you meet any of the above criteria, I encourage you to apply for Pupil Premium funding. To apply, you can complete the form attached to this

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email or alternatively, please contact our school office, and we would be happy to assist you.

We encourage all eligible families to apply for this funding, as it directly benefits your child and helps our school provide additional resources to enhance their learning experience.

Things From Home

Can I politely ask that children do not bring in anything from home. It can cause a lot of issues within school when children bring toys, footballs etc into school. Therefore, if children do bring in items from home, staff will keep them until the end of the day when the child will collect and return home. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Attendance This week

Owl Class 100% ★★★★★
Hawk Class 93% ★★★
Kestrel Class 93% ★★★
Osprey Class 100% ★★★★★
Falcon Class 86%

Weekly average: 94.5%

Our whole target is 97%

Shining Stars of the Week

Owl Class

Darcey for great phonics work.

Hawk Class

Eleanor for showing great strength and resilience in class.

Kestrel Class

Archie for trying so hard in his writing.

Osprey Class

Olivia for always putting in 100% effort into her work and being a great role model.

Falcon Class

Alfred for being a fantastic role model and making a super start to life as Prime Minister!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Your sincerely,
Mr Crompton.

Key School Dates

October

14th October
15th October
15th October
16th October

17th October
18th October
21st October

22nd October
24th October

January

6th – 8th January

March

13th – 14th March

May

12th – 15th May

June

8th – 13th June

Parents Evening
Parents Evening
Y5/6 Ellesmere Mere Trip
Harvest Festival
9:15am – 10:00am
Parents welcome
EYFS Theatre Trip
Break the Rules Day
U9 & U11 Football Matches
Ellesmere College
3:30pm – 4:45pm
Newhampton Journey Day
Kestrel Class Ironworks Trip

Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip
Robinwood

Year 3 & 4 Residential Trip
Condoover

Year 6 SATs Week

Phonics Screening Check
Year 4 Multiplication Check

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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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50 THINGS TO DO BEFORE YOU LEAVE SCHOOL

WHAT ADVENTURES WILL YOU HAVE AT NEWTOWN?



1. Visit a place of worship other than a church



2. Toast a marshmallow on a campfire



3. Collect eggs from the chicken coop



4. Learn to play a musical instrument



5. Visit a city



6. Go on a muddy welly walk



7. Stay overnight away from home



8. Speak to someone who doesn't speak English



9. Build and light a campfire



10. Lead worship



11. Be a courageous advocate



12. Speak to a school in a different country



13. Visit the seaside



14. Recite a poem off by heart



15. Count to 20 in another language



16. Learn basic first aid skills



17. Create art with nature



18. Perform to an audience



19. Swim at least 25m



20. Bake a cake



21. Visit a farm



22. Go on a picnic



23. Make a sandwich



24. Represent the school at a sporting event



25. Go on a scavenger hunt



26. Sail a boat



27. Compete in sports day



28. Be a free reader



29. Become a young leader



30. Have hot chocolate with the headteacher



31. Buddy read with a younger child



32. Play a board game



33. Achieve a pen licence



34. Attend a careers event



35. Compete against another school



36. Ride a bike



37. Hatch a chick



38. Raise and release a butterfly



39. Meet a Member of Parliament



40. Watch a professional performance



41. Grow fruit or vegetables



42. Follow a recipe



43. Make a soft toy



44. Participate in a debate



45. Carry out a science experiment



46. Support the community



47. Present the school news



48. Read a book somewhere unusual



49. Be a young entrepreneur



50. Travel on a train

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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 or
during school from the Charity Minister's

£5

18TH OCT

7PM

Wem Town Hall

Friends of Newtown School and The NCRA

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