

Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

**Newsletter
Friday 15th November 2024**

Message from the Head



Today has been our annual Children in Need Day and it was fantastic to see all the children – and some staff - wearing their pyjamas! It was great fun and has ensured that our school community contributes £95.00 to this very worthy cause.

Thank you to Mrs Riley for organising a morning of fun Children in Need maths challenges for all to enjoy!



*"When you realise that you have the same pyjamas
as your teacher..."*

Armistice Day

On Monday the whole school took time to commemorate Armistice Day and spent time at the church to have a short service and observe the two-minute silence. Thank you to Alfred and Ava for reading poetry and help lead our time of reflection and gratitude.



Anti-Bullying Week

A huge thank you to Zavier and Summer for organising our Anti-Bullying Day on Thursday. It was great to see the school full of colour as we continue to teach the children to treat others as we want to be treated. "Growing together, in strength, love and wisdom, we shone!"

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School Photographs

On Monday the school photographer will be in school for individual / family photos of the children. A reminder for the children to come to school looking smart and ready for their photoshoot!

By Popular Demand... Christmas Shop Is Back!



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Come dressed down on 5th December and if you like, you're welcome to bring an item to the Christmas shop, but it's completely optional- we're just excited to have everyone join in.

Christmas Shop will be held on 16th and 17th December, where children can buy 2 gifts, priced individually up to £2.

Idea of items:
Chocolate's/biscuits
Mens or Ladies gifts
Socks
Anything you can spare

Item's to come in on 5th December

Christmas Dates Reminder

You will see in the Key Dates at the end of the newsletter, we have confirmed the key Christmas Performance Dates. These events will all take place in the church and parents are, of course welcome to join us. They are as follows:

EYFS and KS1 Nativity

Monday 16th December 5pm

KS2 Christmas Concert

Tuesday 17th December 5pm

FRIENDS OF NEWTOWN AGM

We will be holding our annual AGM
on 20th November 3.20pm

If you would like to join the PTA or
like any further information please
email foncommittee@outlook.com
or attend the school hall.

20.11.2024
3.20PM



Accelerated Reader

This week we have started the process of introducing Accelerated Reader to the school. This new scheme is aimed at children who are coming to the end of their phonics journey and will stretch from approximately Year 2 all the way to Year 6.

It will motivate children to read more through engaging quizzes, goal setting, and personalised recommendations. With teachers having an enhanced understanding of the children's reading ability, children will increase their reading volume, develop greater reading stamina, word recognition, and language comprehension skills.

We are excited to introduce Accelerated Reader over the coming weeks when we will share in more detail the roll parents can play in supporting children with their reading.



**CHRISTMAS WREATH
MAKING EVENING**

Christmas crafts for the Children including yummy
cookie decorating.

29th November 6pm
Newtown C of E School

Ticket's either Via PayPal foncommittee@outlook.com or on sale after School from the committee, closing date 22/11/24.

Adults: £35 (20 spaces only)
Children: Free if attending
with paying adult
Materials provided

Everyone is welcome

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Communication

Some of you will have only received last week's newsletter after the weekend. This was due to a glitch in the operating system that had blocked delivery to certain email addresses – but not all. We have been informed that this issue has now been resolved and emails should now be delivered when sent!

The school has worked exceptionally hard over the last couple of years to improve channels of communication between school and home. As a result, we can now communicate with parents via email, text, Class Dojo and social media.

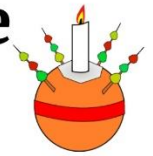
The unintended consequence of our keenness to keep parents in the loop has meant that there has been a little bit of confusion as to where parents should get their information from. Next week we will share our communication strategy to clarify all.

School Open Day

We will be welcoming prospective parents to the school on Tuesday 19th November from 11:15am. If you know anyone who would be interested coming to take a look around our school, please do share this date with them or encourage them to get in touch with the school directly.



Newtown Church Annual Christingle Service



3pm Christmas Eve @ Newtown Church

If any children would be interested in taking part in the nativity, please message Maisey 07513 017778

Practise Dates 15th and 21st of December
2–3pm @ Newtown Church

Attendance Guidance

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they are unwell, particularly in the winter months when there are lots of seasonal illnesses going around. If you do keep your child at home, please remember to call school on the first day of the absence and keep us updated every day after that. Wherever possible children should be in school so that they can receive their education.

Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

	Until...
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance
To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

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Attendance This week

Owl Class 100% ★★★★★

Hawk Class 96%

Kestrel Class 100% ★★★★★

Osprey Class 100% ★★★★★

Falcon Class 97%

★★★★ Weekly average: 99% ★★★★★

Our whole target is 97%

A wonderful week of attendance – well done all!

Shining Stars of the Week

Strength

'Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged.'
Joshua 1:9

Owl Class

Edward for great progress in phonics.

Hawk Class

Felicity for being exceptionally helpful and looking after both the inside and outside of the school.

Kestrel Class

Olly for producing some brilliant literacy work.

Osprey Class

Cameron for his perseverance with his Benin Kingdom work during Forest School this week.

Falcon Class

Ava for showing great positivity and being a wonderful member of the class and school.

Well done all!

Have a wonderful weekend!
Your sincerely, Mr Crompton.

Key School Dates

November

18th November

19th November

20th November

20th November

21st November

29th November

School Photographs

School Open Day 11:15am

U11 Hockey Tournament

PTA AGM

U9 Girls Football Tournament

Friends of Newtown Xmas

Craft Night for All

December

5th December

6th December

16th December

16th December

17th December

17th December

12th December

20th December

Dress Down Day

Xmas Shop Donation

Theatre Severn Pantomime

Xmas Shop Event

EYFS and KS1 Nativity

5pm. Parents Welcome.

Xmas Shop Event

KS2 Christmas Concert

5pm. Children Welcome.

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Church Service

2:00pm – Parents Welcome

January

6th – 8th January

Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip
Robinwood

March

13th – 14th March

Year 3 & 4 Residential Trip
Condoover

May

12th – 15th May

16th May

Year 6 SATs Week
Summer Camp Out

June

8th – 13th June

20th June

Phonics Screening Check
Year 4 Multiplication Check
Summer Ball



Newtown Church of England Primary School
The hidden gem in the heart of the countryside
Places available from 3+ years
Come and take a look!

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