

# Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

**Newsletter  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

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## Message from the Head

Tis the season to be busy... it has been a full week at Newtown as the countdown to Christmas continues. We have had Christmas Dinner, Christmas Parties, Christmas Jumper Day and a special visit from Father Christmas all whilst rehearsals for next week's Christmas performances have ramped up!



This has been coupled with the welcoming of children and staff from Welshampton on Wednesday due to their school having no power! It was lovely to see our children at Newtown welcome our visitors so warmly and enjoy a day of festive frivolity and merriment together.



## Christmas Performances

A reminder that next week is our Christmas Performance week.

16<sup>th</sup> December - EYFS and KS1 Nativity  
5pm. Parents Welcome.

Children to be dropped off at school at 4:15pm please.

17<sup>th</sup> December - KS2 Christmas Concert  
5pm. Parents Welcome.

Children to be dropped off at school at 4:30pm please.

20<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Church Service  
2:00pm. Parents Welcome.

## After School Club Reminder

On the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> December, after-school club will only run until 4:30pm due to the Christmas performances at the church. For those who have already paid until 5:30pm, please be advised that you will be refunded for the 4:30pm to 5:30pm session.

## Inspire Days

Don't forget we have some of our Inspire Events happening next week.

18<sup>th</sup> December                      Hawk Class Inspire  
1:30pm

19<sup>th</sup> December                      Kestrel, Osprey & Falcon  
Class Inspire  
1:30pm

If you have children in different classes, and Inspire Events are at the same time, parents are very welcome to move between the classrooms.

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### Fire Safety in Kestrel Class

On Tuesday, Kestrel Class welcomed Andy from Shropshire Fire Service to speak the children about fire safety and expertly demonstrated the 'stop, drop and roll' response in case of a fire emergency.



The children were really engaged and enthusiastic and loved dressing up in all the gear! They asked lots of insightful questions and got a great deal from the experience.



Thanks to the Shropshire Fire team for making this happen.

### Outdoor Shelter

Mr Reincke has almosy completed the building of outdoor shelter fter it withstood the battering from Storm Darragh last weekend – it was never in doubt!



The project will be completed with the insatlation of guttering feeding two water butts to give us access to water for our school garden, chickens and Forest School activities.



A huge thank you to Mr Roberts at CRF (UK) Ltd for their generous donation to allow us to add the finishing touches to the project which will no doubt serve the school and children for years to come. Thank you.

Next project in the Spring... the greenhouse renovation!



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## Calling all of Santa's Little Helpers



Could anyone come help with the Christmas Shop?

Monday - 1.30pm until 3pm

Tuesday - 9.15am until 10.15am or 1.30pm until 3pm

If so, please emails foncommittee@outlook.com.

### Attendance This Week

Owl - 90%

Hawk - 93% ★

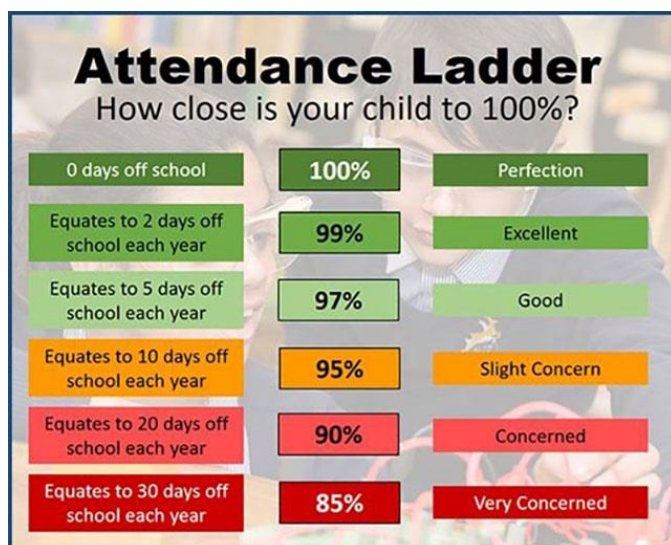
Kestrel - 94% ★★

Osprey - 92%

Falcon - 97% ★★★★★

Weekly average: 93%

This is some way short of our whole target of 97%. If you need with getting your child into school, please contact Mrs Hordern, our Pastoral Lead. Thank you.



## Shining Stars of the Week

### Love

*'Love is patient. Love is kind. Love never fails.'*

1 Corinthians 13

### Owl Class

Darcey for her brilliant progress in phonics and writing.

### Hawk Class

Henry for amazing outside learning and creating a fantastic cloud poster.

### Kestrel Class

Marni for being a great role model and showing a love of learning.

### Osprey Class

Lyra for being a really kind and thoughtful member of Osprey Class.

### Falcon Class

Zavier for showing kindness and being supportive of his peers.

### Outside Achievements

Sadie for receiving an award for her gymnastics competition - She competed in the Level 3 category at Lilleshall and came 5th overall on vault and floor - and being named as Football Girl of the Match.

Erin for completing her Stage 2 swimming award.

Amelia got a silver medal in gymnastics in her SGA competition - scoring 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall.



Well done all!

Have a wonderful weekend!  
Your sincerely, Mr Crompton.

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### HAF Free Christmas Holiday Activity Days

The Christmas Holidays are fast approaching and we have great news! The Department of Education has funded places for the HAF programme. If you're eligible, you can book free of charge via the link below for The Embrace Group Holiday Club at Meole Brace C of E Primary School in Shrewsbury, Shifnal Primary School in Shifnal, and St Peter's CE Primary School in Wem.

Children aged 5-13 can participate in sports activities such as Dodgeball, Football, Tag Rugby, Basketball, Cricket, Rounders, Hockey, and fun wide games. All activities are planned and delivered by qualified sports coaches and teachers.

The Department of Education funds the HAF program for 4 hours, but The Embrace Group offers the opportunity for young people to extend sessions for longer at no additional cost.

Please click the link below for more information. Don't miss out!

<https://us20.campaign-archive.com/?u=755824695eb950260bd7444f9&id=10c935da41>

### Key School Dates

#### December

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#### January

6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 5 & 6 Residential Trip Robinwood
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#### March

13 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 & 4 Residential Trip Condover
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#### May

12 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs Week
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Summer Camp Out

#### June

8 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Phonics Screening Check Year 4 Multiplication Check
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Ball

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