

Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

**Newsletter
Monday 27th November 2023**

Message from the Head

We are looking forward to welcoming parents to school this week for our Autumn Parents Evening. It is an opportunity for teachers to share with parents both areas of strength but also any areas where we feel they may require additional support.

We hope that you find it informative, useful and that you have enough time to have any questions answered. If, however, you don't have enough time, please get in touch via Class Dojo or the school office to arrange an additional meeting. Many thanks.

Winter Weather and School Closures

As we approach the winter season, we understand that there is always a possibility of inclement weather that could impact the school's ability to open safely. While we strive to keep the school open whenever possible, the safety of our children and staff remains our top priority.

When making the decision to open or close the school, we carefully consider various factors, including:

- Weather forecasts: We closely monitor weather forecasts from reputable sources to assess the severity and timing of any potential weather events.
- Local road conditions: We evaluate the condition of local roads to ensure safe passage for students, staff, and bus drivers.
- Staff travel distances: We consider the distance that our staff members travel to and from school, ensuring that they can safely commute in adverse weather conditions.

We recognise the disruption that school closures can cause to families' schedules and the potential impact on students' education. However, if we determine that school closure is necessary, we will promptly inform parents via email, text message, and our school's Facebook page. We will strive to make this decision as early as possible to allow families ample time to make arrangements.

Nursery Stay & Play

We enjoyed a lovely afternoon on Friday welcoming both current Nursery and Reception children to our Forest School area but also children who are interested in joining our school in the future.

The next Stay & Play session Friday 8th December before our Stay & Play session for this term end with a Christmas Special on Friday 15th – Please spread the word about these sessions as they are a great way for perspective parents to come and spend time at Newtown and see what the school is all about.



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School Choir

This is a busy week for our school choir. Mrs Lingard will lead the choir in performances at the Co-op and Landona House Residential Care Home & Day Care Centre in Wem on Friday morning.

The choir will also be appearing at the Wem Christmas lights turn on, on Friday evening at about 6pm. The children will join the lantern parade before singing on stage.

Please support our choir in Wem if you can.

Friends of Newtown Christmas Shop Reminder

Please come to school in own clothes on Friday in return for a voluntary donation as explained in the poster below.



Xmas Shop is Back!!

Come to school dressed down on
29th November for a voluntary donation of
the following:

- Nursery and Reception- chocolate or biscuits
- Yr 1 and 2- Ladies gifts
- Yr 3, 4 and 5- Men's gifts or chocolates
- Yr 6- Ladies gifts or biscuits

Xmas Shop will be held on 7th and 8th December

Attendance

Kestrel Class had a brilliant 100% attendance record last week which contributed to a whole school average attendance of 97%. This is our target for the year – well done everyone!

Shining Stars of the Week

Owl Class – Emily for always working so hard at her writing and helping her friends.

Hawk Class – Year 1 – Alex for always putting in 100% effort in every lesson.

Hawk Class – Year 2 – Sadie for always doing her best in everything she does.

Kestrel Class – Iris for working hard in her assessments and not giving up.

Osprey Class – Bonnie for working really hard on her tests.

Falcon Class – Aimee for being really kind and being a helpful friend to everyone, including the adults.

Headteacher's Award

Following Assessment Week, this goes to all of our amazing children who worked so hard all week. I was very proud of you all!

Have a great week!

Yours sincerely,
Mr Ben Crompton.

Key School Dates Autumn 2 2023

November

Monday 27th Parents Evening
Tuesday 28th Parents Evening

December

Friday 1st Newtown School Choir
Wem Christmas Lights Switch On
5:30pm – 6:30pm

Tuesday 5th Owl Class Inspire Session
Christmas Cooking
1:30pm

Weds 6th Year 2 Inspire Session
Christmas Craft
1:30pm

Thursday 7th Kestrel Class Inspire Session
Music
2:30pm

Friday 8th Falcon Class Inspire Session
Christmas Craft
1:30pm

Friday 8th Nursery Stay & Play
9:30am

Weds 13th Christmas Pantomime

Weds 13th Christmas Dinner

Thursday 14th Year 1 Inspire Session
1:30pm

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- Friday 15th Nursery Stay & Play
Christmas Special
9:00am – 10:00am
- Monday 18th KS2 Christmas Concert
5:30pm at church
Parents Welcome
- Tuesday 19th EYFS Christmas Nativity
1:30pm at church
Parents Welcome
- Tuesday 19th KS1 Christmas Nativity
3:30pm at church
Parents Welcome
- Weds 20th Whole School Christmas Service
2:15pm at church
Parents Welcome



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