Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

Newsletter Monday 4th December 2023

Message from the Head

It was a joy to spend time with a brilliant school choir last week as they toured Wem – spreading Christmas Cheer as they went!

The choir began in Co-op, before entertaining elderly residents at Landona House in Wem. The children then had an evening gig at the Wem Christmas Lights where they performed beautifully.

A huge well done to all the children for their efforts – they did the school proud and were a real credit to themselves; they sang brilliantly.

A big thank you also to Mrs Lingard for her work with the choir this term to get them ready and to Mr Davies who joined in the evening.





Christmas Jumper Day 2023

On Thursday, children are invited to come to school in their Christmas Jumpers in aid of Save the Children. Children should wear their school uniform with a Christmas Jumper if they wish to.

Any donations will be collected for the charity.



Friends of Newtown Christmas Shop

Thank you for all of your donations for the Friends Christmas Shop. The shop will be open on Wednesday and Friday of this week.

If you want to support the Friends in the shop, please do get in touch!



Tag Rugby Triumph

It was wonderful to see Year 3 and Year 4 children from both Newtown and Welshampton take part in a friendly Tag Rugby match last week. All the children did brilliantly, and it was great to watch — despite the bitterly cold conditions!

Welshampton ran out winners but the quality of rugby on show was fantastic! Very well done all!



Dreaming of a Calm Christmas A message from Wee Seeds Mental Health charity...

∵ € Your little one is exhausted

There's so much build up and excitement around Christmas, by the time the big day comes, most children are wiped out. It's hard to have a fun day when it feels like your little one is acting up or melting down because they're so tired.

(2) Emotions are running high

Your little one is over excited. Their expectations of Christmas are sky high. And with high expectations, comes the risk of big disappointment. Dealing with intense emotions like this is tough as a child and as a parent.

W Too busy to feel connected to your child

The lead up to Christmas can be so busy, you're rushing around getting the gifts, decorations and food ready. It feels like your life should look like a Christmas movie but you're not actually feeling connected to your little one.

Wee Seeds have got you. They work with schools, nurseries, families and employers to help children and families learn positive wellbeing skills.

H Let's bring CALM to your home this Christmas.

 $\stackrel{\longleftarrow}{\mathbb{H}}$ Make it the most wonderful time of the year!

Get free access to Wee Seeds' Christmas Calm Toolbox, with 12 Days of Christmas activities, a Mindful Advent Calendar, a mini-meditation to bring calm, tips for parents on looking after themselves, and sleep on Christmas Eve.

You can access FREE - or pay it forward, and support another family through our social impact programme, Growing Minds.

To get access to the Christmas Calm Toolbox - https://bit.ly/calmchristmastoolbox

Attendance

Kestrel Class had <u>another</u> 100% attendance record last week which contributed to a whole school average attendance of 96%.

This is 1% short of our 97% target for the year.

	Class Dojo Champions
Owl Class	Felicity, Ethan & Mia

Hawk Year 1 Isla, Theo & AJ

Hawk Year 2 Laura-Jayne, Tilly-Rose & Rene

Kestrel Class Alfie, Bonnie & Freddie

Osprey Class Alex, Jack & Ashley

Falcon Class Florence, Annie & Aimee

Shining Stars of the Week

Owl Class – Esme for showing strength in school by always trying her best and being a good friend.

Hawk Class – Bobby for persevering with his school work and participating and engaging with his peers.

Kestrel Class – Bonnie for working incredibly hard to improve her handwriting. Mrs Riley and Mrs Reece are very proud of you!

Osprey Class – Jack for working so hard in every lesson and helping others.

Falcon Class – Tate for contributing wonderful ideas and having excellent knowledge about the world.

Outside Achievements

Olly W has received a medal for being a 'mini star' for

his football team.

Sadie received an award for being 'gymnast of the

week' for her bridge kickover!

Have a great week!

Yours sincerely, Mr Ben Crompton.

Key School Dates Autumn 2 2023

December

Tuesday 5th **Owl Class Inspire Session**

Christmas Cooking

1:30pm

Weds 6th Friends Christmas Shop

Weds 6th Year 2 Inspire Session

Christmas Craft

1:30pm

Thursday 7th **Kestrel Class Inspire Session**

> Music 2:30pm

Friday 8th Friends Christmas Shop

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

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

> > Executive Headteacher: Mr Ben Crompton

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Tuesday 19th **KS1 Christmas Nativity** 3:30pm at church

Weds 20th Whole School Christmas Service

Parents Welcome

2:15pm at church

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