

Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

**Newsletter
Monday 11th December 2023**

Message from the Head

With less than two weeks to go until the Christmas break, this is such an exciting time for the children during which is probably the busiest time of the year within a school.

The children and staff have been working very hard to balance the demands of delivering the curriculum at the same time as preparing for Christmas performances and celebrations which we look forward to sharing with you next week. Please support the children in practising their words at home.

If you know that your child will not be present for a performance, **PLEASE** let the class teacher know as soon as possible so parts can be reallocated as required.

For clarity, details of Christmas performances at school are as follows:

A Christmas Celebration - Monday 18th December at 5:30pm

Kestrel, Osprey and Falcon Classes come together for a Christmas Concert in the church. Please drop your child off **at school**, no earlier than 5.00pm.

Church doors will open at 5.10pm.

Whoops-A-Daisy Angel - Tuesday 19th December at 1:30pm.

Our **EYFS** children enjoy their first full church performance in church. All welcome.

Church doors open at 1:00pm.

Whoops-A-Daisy Angel - Tuesday 19th December at 3:30pm.

Our **Year 1 and Year 2** children take to the stage to entertain us all. All welcome.

Children will remain at school at the end of the day.

Church doors open at 3:00pm.

Christmas Church Service – Wednesday 20th December at 2:15pm.

The whole school will come together as we break up for a Christmas in a service which features the very best of our performances and we all remember the true meaning of Christmas. Due to a lack of space in church, there is a limit of two guests per family. Thank you.

Christmas Panto, Dinner & Party Day

On Wednesday morning, children will enjoy "Sinbad the Sailor", an action-packed pantomime adventure at Welshampton Parish Hall.

The children will then return to school to enjoy Christmas Dinner followed by an afternoon of Festive Party activities in their classes.

The children are invited to come to school in their very best Christmas party outfits.

Friends of Newtown Christmas Shop

A huge thank you to our Christmas Elves who were busy running our Christmas Shop last week. The children loved purchasing presents which were then expertly wrapped; ready to be taken home.

Thanks to your donations and their hard work, the Christmas Shop raise £317.50 which will be used to further enhance the children's experience at Newtown.

One such contribution was to a new sound system which arrived last week. A big thank you to the Friends for their support and we look forward to using it in our Christmas performances.

Charity Begins at School

The school raised a total £166.93 for the Royal British Legion following the annual Poppy Appeal and last week raised a further £46.20 for Save The Children.

Thank you all for your generous donations and support for these charity fundraisers.

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Kwik-Cricket Festival

On Friday, our Year 3 and 4 children from across the Federation were invited to enjoy a morning of Kwik-Cricket at Packwood Haugh School.

They learned new skills, made new friends, and had lots of fun coming 2nd overall. Well done all!!

Attendance

Once again, Kestrel Class were top attendees with 98% attendance record which contributed to a whole school average attendance of 96%.

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

Class Dojo Champions

Hawk Year 1	Isla, Theo & AJ
Hawk Year 2	Rowan, Amelia & Levi
Osprey Class	Alfred, Alex, Harry & Lucas
Falcon Class	Tate, Ozzy, Jobie & Sophie

Shining Stars of the Week

Owl Class – Mia for showing real kindness and respect for her friends, teacher and school.

Hawk Class – Year 1 - Arthur-John for trying hard and persevering with his work and showing super listening skills.

Hawk Class – Year 2 – Rene for always being a good friend and showing compassion to her friends.

Osprey Class – Jamie for working really hard in lessons, as always.

Falcon Class – Annie for always taking pride and care in her work and presentation.

Outside Achievements

Andrew received a rosette for showing his sheep. He came 4th in the competition achieving 8 pints in the process! Well done Andrew!

Have a great week!

Yours sincerely,
Mr Ben Crompton.

Key School Dates Autumn 2 2023

December

Weds 13 th	Christmas Pantomime
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Thursday 14 th	Year 1 Inspire Session 1:30pm
Friday 15 th	Nursery Stay & Play Christmas Special 9:00am – 10:00am
Monday 18 th	KS2 Christmas Concert 5:30pm at church Parents Welcome
Tuesday 19 th	EYFS Christmas Nativity 1:30pm at church Parents Welcome
Tuesday 19 th	KS1 Christmas Nativity 3:30pm at church Parents Welcome
Weds 20 th	Whole School Christmas Service 2:15pm at church Parents Welcome

Cleaning Assistant Vacancy

10.54 hours per week at Newtown C of E Primary School, Newtown, SY4 5NU.

Closing date: 24/12/2023.

More details can be found by following the link below:
<https://careers.shropshire.gov.uk/vacancy/ss23-1035-cleaning-assistant-532932.html>

If you are experiencing difficulties completing the on line application form or would prefer to be sent a paper application form please contact 01743 250250.

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