Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

Newsletter Friday 23rd February 2024

Message from the Head

Welcome back to everyone after your half term break.

Yesterday, it was my pleasure to join our school choir on their annual Young Voices trip. This year we ventured to Birmingham NEC where we joined thousands of other children to form the country's biggest choir!

After an afternoon of rehearsals, the huge choir performed in front of thousands of parents in the arena. It was a spectacular site as the children got to perform the songs and choreography they had spent weeks and weeks practicing at school. Behaviour was exemplary as all children and staff had a wonderful time.

Thank you to Mrs Lingard for organising the trip and running the Young Voices Choir Club over the year.

Thank you also to the parents who travelled to support the children in Birmingham. I hope you enjoyed it as much as the staff and the children did.



Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to all those who have already filled in the Parent Questionnaire that was circulated before the half term break. It has been great to read some really encouraging feedback. If however, you feel that you 'strongly disagree' about any element, please arrange a meeting so that we can discuss it further.

If you haven't, please take the time to complete as feedback is really important to us as we always look to move the school forward with your support.

Forest School

A reminder that children should come to school in school uniform on Forest School days. Children will get changed at lunch time for their afternoon Forest School session. Next week Year 5 and Year 6 will have their Forest School session on Wednesday.

Reception Places 2024

The deadline for applications for child(ren) to start school in Reception in September 2024 closed on Monday 15 January 2024.

If you have not made an application yet, please do so as soon as possible via Shropshire Council's - Synergy - Homepage (shropshire.gov.uk)

There is more information at the bottom of this newsletter.

Upcoming Church Services Mother's Day

Parents are welcome to join us at church on Friday 8th March at 9:15am to join our Mother's Day Service. During this service each class will perform once as we celebrate and give thanks. The service will finish with our weekly Celebration Worship.

Easter Service

Parents are also welcome to join us at church on Friday 22nd March at 9:15am to share with us our Easter celebrations. This service will be a more traditional church service which will be led by Reverend Clayton and our older children. The service will finish with our weekly Celebration Worship.

Big Thank You

A huge thank you to the Lincoln, Laura-Jayne and Lilly-Anne who over the half term weeded and planted our raised beds at the front of the school with the help of their mum.

This was a real act of kindness and we are all extremely grateful. We very much look forward to seeing the flowers bloom over Spring.

Attendance

Owl Class 92%
Hawk Class 97%
Kestrel Class 100%
Osprey Class 96%
Falcon Class 95%

Average 96%. Our whole school target is 97%.

Class Dojo Winners

Owl Class – Ethan, Lando, Felicity and Emily Hawk Class – Olly M, Tilly and Isla Kestrel Class – Bonnie, Myles and Alfie Osprey Class – Alfred, Ashley and Lola Falcon Class – Abbie, Stanley and Rudi

Shining Stars of the Week Strength

'Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged.'

Joshua 1:9

Owl Class

Esme for always being so kind and helpful around the classroom.

Hawk Class

Henry for making great choices and trying his best in all his work.

Kestrel Class

Rosie for trying so hard in literacy and believing in herself.

Osprey Class

Ashley for working really hard and participating fully in all lessons.

Falcon Class

Harvey his wonderful attitude to school life and the great pride he takes in his work.

Headteacher's Award

For all our brilliant signers and performers who attended the Young Voices concert last night... and then got in to school this morning despite the midnight bedtime! We are very proud of you all!

Outside Achievements

Emily in Reception received a rosette for participating in Pony Camp over half term which included looking after the horses.

Alex in Hawk Class has been awarded his Yellow Belt for his work in karate. Well done both!

Key School Dates

| February | |
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| 29 th February | Phonics Parent Reception |
| | Session |
| March | |
| 1 st March | Easter Egg Dress Down Day |
| 7 th March | World Book Day (Details TBC) |
| 8 th March | Mother's Day Service |
| | 9:15am – Parents Welcome |
| 12 th March | Parents Evening |
| 13 th March | Parents Evening |
| 15 th March | Comic Relief (Details TBC) |
| | Inspire with Falcon Class |
| | 2:15pm |
| 22 nd March | Easter Service |
| | 9:15am – Parents Welcome |
| | Easter School Discos |
| | Break up from school |
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April

8th April Return to school

May

10th May Newtown Colour Run

Have a wonderful weekend!

Yours sincerely, Mr Ben Crompton.







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Please note that if you do not make an online application, your child will not be allocated a school place. Attendance at a nursery does not mean a place in Reception will be available.

If you have any queries regarding the application process, please contact the School Admissions

Team via email school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk

£3.50 and includes a bag of cri and a drink.



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