## Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

Newsletter Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023

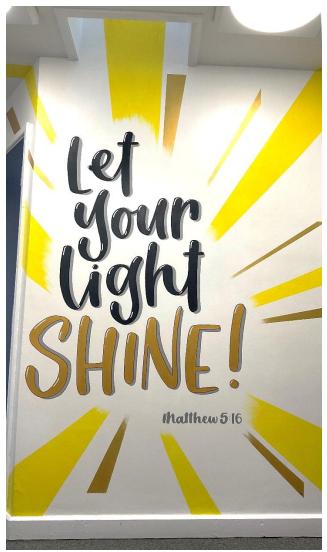
## Message from the Head

The creation of a warm and supportive atmosphere which is also full of energy and vibrancy is important to give the pupils the best possible environment in which to learn. We have had a wonderful week at Newtown and it has been great to see pupils thriving within a calm and productive environment.

We have also seen the start of the reenergising of our communal and classroom areas after previous redecoration. We have a new wall art installation; new display boards have been put up and music is now playing in our corridors. There is more to come...



Over the coming weeks and months there will be further developments within our school which I look forward to sharing with you.



## **Outside Area Development**

It is not only the inside area which is being revitalised. Earlier this week, Mr Reincke was joined by Stanley, Joel and dad, Mr Eccleston, to give our school garden a much needed clear out as we look towards spring. A skip was filled and now we can look forward to bringing this area to life.

## Chick, Chick, Chick, Chick, Chickens...

Within our revamped garden area there will be an area where we will house some school hens. Children will be given responsibility for looking after them and eggs will be sold to parents each when available. However, before committing to the purchase of a new chicken coop, we would like to see if anyone has one that they are willing to donate to school?

We don't mind a bit of renovation as Mr Reincke is more than capable of doing up a tired coop so if anyone has one which could house up to 10 of our feathered friends, please get in touch.

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#### **Books To Read at Home**

Reading at home is extremely important for a child's development and we do everything we can to encourage it, including recently spending several thousand pounds on new phonics books which will hopefully be used by our children for years to come. Could I politely ask that when any books go home, they are looked after and preferably not put in the same bag as water bottles as this often causes books to get damaged. Thank you.

#### **Young Voices Concert**

It is with great excitement that some of our children will be off to the Young Voices Concert in Manchester on Monday night. For those pupils, you are invited to come to school in your Young Voices t-shirts as you will be departing school during the morning. Children wear their school uniform with t-shirts on top.

#### Industrial Action

As was communicated earlier this week, due to the high number of teachers at Newtown Church of England Primary School that are members of this union, I have therefore reluctantly taken the decision to close the school to students on health and safety grounds on Wednesday 1st February 2023

Should the strike be called off in time for us to reinstate transport and catering facilities, we would reverse the decision to close. I will write to all parents immediately should this be the case, as well as posting an announcement on our website.

For your information, additional proposed dates for strike action are as follows: Tuesday 28 February 2023 Wednesday 15 March 2023 Thursday 16 March 2023

I will inform you as soon as I am able to of any impact on school on these dates.

# **Class Dojo Update**

Running totals this week:

Griffiths 340 Morgan 308 Robinson 309 Clorley 305

## Attendance

	Owls	Hawks	Kestrels	Ospreys	Falcons	School	
	89%	97%	93%	95%	95%	94%	
Our school target for 2022 is 07%							

Our school target for 2023 is 97%.

#### Shining Stars of the Week

Owl Class – Lando for being a good friend and showing confidence and perseverance.

Hawk Class – Laura-Jayne for enthusiasm and participation in singing activities.

Kestrel Class - Lincoln for his excellent contribution to class discussions.

Osprey Class – Stanley for engaging in his learning and helping others.

Falcon Class - Sophie for always being polite, helpful and trying her best every day & **Bluebell** for having a wonderful attitude to school and positive mindset.

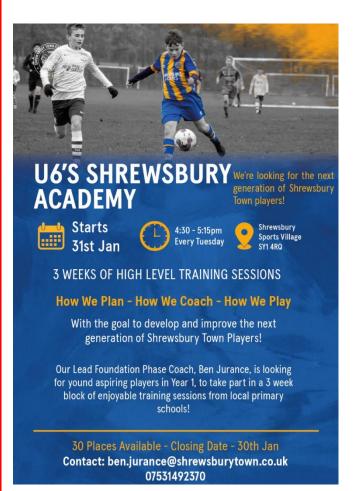
> Have a wonderful weekend! Yours sincerely, Mr Ben Crompton.

#### Spring Term Key Dates

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30 <sup>th</sup> January	Young Voices Concert			
7 <sup>th</sup> February	Kestrel Class Worship			
	9:15am (Parents Welcome)			
13 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evening			
15 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents Evening			
17 <sup>th</sup> February	Inspired by Kestrel Class			
	1:30pm (Parents Welcome)			
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day			
14 <sup>th</sup> March	Inspired by Osprey Class			
	2:00pm (Parents Welcome)			
23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Inspired by Owl Class			
	1:30pm (Parents Welcome)			
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Inspired by Falcon Class			
	2:00pm (Parents Welcome)			

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