

Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

**Newsletter
Friday 12th May 2023**

Message from the Head

This morning our Year 6 children completed their final SATs test. We are very proud of all of their efforts over the last 4 days and for the weeks, months and years of hard work that came before.

Thank you also to all the staff who have dedicated so much time, effort, love and support to the children – not only for this year but for the proceeding years. Year 6 is a culmination of everyone's efforts and should be celebrated as such.

Whilst we do everything to encourage, support and prepare our children for their end of KS2 tests, we also make it clear that the results don't define a child, or a school and nor should they.

All of our children have demonstrated our values of strength, love and wisdom throughout the week and have enjoyed celebrating their achievements this afternoon with a well-deserved party.

Census Day Lunch on Thursday

The school census day is next Thursday 18th May. Please encourage your child to order and try our menu on Thursday. If your child is worried, please feel free to send in their packed lunch just in case they really do not like the food on offer – I think it's sausages! It is vitally important that as many children as possible order and try a lunch on this date as thousands of pounds of our funding is allocated based on the number of children having a cooked lunch on Thursday. We really do appreciate your support with this. **Thank you.**

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New PE Kit

From September 2023, all children at Newtown will have a new PE kit... for free! The new kit will include a t-shirt, ¾ zipped top, shorts / skorts and tracksuit bottoms. From September, children will be required to come to school in PE kit on the relevant days.

We appreciate that we are currently in a cost-of-living crisis and the school is willing to purchase a new kit for all our children. Going forwards, new kits will be purchasable from the School Shop at a reasonable price and there will also be a second-hand market which should ensure standards of PE kit are maintained.

We not only want to promote the importance of sport and exercise in school, but also ensure that our children feel a sense of pride in their school and themselves.

Further details will be shared next week regarding ordering and sizing, but we hope to be able to send home new kits before we break up for summer.

Sports Day 2023 Reminder

Sports Day has been confirmed for Friday 23rd June from 1:15pm. The whole school will join together in Sports Day this year and this will be followed by the **Friends Of Newtown Summer Fete** – details to follow.

Parking, Picking Up and Dropping Off

Thank you to all those who use the car park when dropping off or collecting children. However, there has been an increase in the number of children dropped / collected outside the school on the yellow zigzag lines and bus stop. For the safety of the children, could I ask again that the car park is used for this purpose, thank you.

Prime Warriors Club

Thank you to all those who have expressed an interest in Prime Warriors Club after half term. Mrs Hanbury will be in touch with those parents next week with further details and any places still remaining will be shared.

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New Hedging

You may have noticed that there has been a new hedge line that has been planted alongside the path which was installed last year. This has been planted by the school as part of a re-landscaping project which will take place over the coming months. Having had the hedging for more than 12 months, it needed to be planted before the weather got too warm or dry.

The long-term view is that the way in which the school is approached from the car park could be significantly enhanced by removing the narrow walkway which currently exists between the existing hedge and the fence. Over the next few months, through re-landscaping, we hope to create a much more attractive, welcoming and communal approach to our school. The school and the Friends of Newtown will be working together to achieve this.

On a separate note, we hope to share an NCRA Update within the next few weeks.

Attendance

Owls	Hawks	Kestrels	Ospreys	Falcons	School
94%	99%	98%	98%	98%	98%

Our school target for 2023 is 97%.

Outside Achievements

Levi for being the king of canal locks. Levi has received a certificate to acknowledge the work he does opening and closing canal locks so keep an eye out for him when taking a stroll down the canal.

Harriet for gaining her Level 5 swimming certificate in swimming... and promising to be on hand should Levi ever fall in!

Class Dojo Update

Individual Weekly Dojo Winners

Owl – Bethany, Hollie, Olly
Hawk – Otto, Sadie, Laura-Jayne
Kestrel – Lincoln, Eva, Percy
Osprey – Abbie, Tommy, Rowan
Falcon – Andrew, Poppy, Sophie

Weekly House Totals

Morgan - 320
Clorley - 301
Griffiths - 324
Robinson - 315

Shining Stars of the Week

Love

Owl Class – Tilly for being a kind, caring friend and showing love to everyone.

Hawk Class – Sadie for exceptional presentation of her written work.

Kestrel Class – Rosie for her love of reading and writing. Rosie has been putting in lots of hard work into her phonics and English.

Osprey Class – Joel for being supportive to his friends and Bonnie W for working so hard and enthusiastically she made Mrs Lowings emotional!

Falcon Class – Evie for her dedication and determination during her SATs – your hard work has paid off.

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

Summer Term Key Dates

15th–19th May KS1 SATs Week
26th May Break up for half term
5th June Return to school
5th June Class Group Photos
23rd June Sports Day and FON Summer Fete from 1:15pm
26th–28th June Arthog Y6 Residential
30th June Prospective Parents Open Morning
3rd July Move Up Day
4th July Move Up Day
5th – 7th July Bikeability for Year 6
10th July Parents Open Evening
20th July Leavers' Service & Tea Party
21st July End of Term Service – 9:30am
21st July Break up for summer
24th July PD Day
25th July PD Day

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WEM PLANT & CRAFT FAIR

MILLENIUM GREEN, WEM, SY4 5FF
SATURDAY 20TH MAY, 9AM-1PM

PLANTS, ICECREAM, CAKES, HOME & PERSONAL FRAGRANCE, DECORATIVE CROCHET CRAFTERS, UNIQUE
HANDMADE FUSED GLASS JEWELLERY AND HOME DECOR, WOODWORK, & MUCH MORE!

GET YOUR GARDENS SUMMER READY, BROWSE OUR TALENTED FOOD &
CRAFT STALLS & FINISH OFF WITH SOME REFRESHMENTS AT THE CHURCH
OPPOSITE.

FREE ENTRY & DOG FRIENDLY.

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