

Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

**Newsletter
Friday 13th October 2023**

Message from the Head

The children are the most important part of any school and Newtown is no different. The importance of 'pupil voice' has never been more prioritised in education and as such, this year, we will be continuing with our school Houses of Parliament.

It has been wonderful to read the children's applications for roles in the School Cabinet and it gives me great pleasure to share with you our School Parliament for this academic year. We will meet formally every half term and certain children will be asked to complete various tasks throughout the year.

Newtown House of Parliament



After receiving numerous applications for a variety of ministerial roles at school, I am pleased to share with you our School Parliament for 2023/24.

Prime Minister	Annabelle
Deputy Prime Minister	Andrew
Home Secretary	Aimee
Sports Ministers	Harper & Harvey
Chancellor	Christopher
Health & Wellbeing Ministers	Emily P & Tommy
Charity Ministers	Poppy & Sophie
Eco Minister	Abbie & Rowan

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Parent Governor

Would you like to play a key role in moving the school forward? As a parent governor, you would work with the Governing Body to ensure it effectively carries its duties and also play a vital role in ensuring that the Governing Body is connected with, and is aware of the views of, parents and the local community.

If you are interested, please read the attached letter and get in touch accordingly.

Kestrel Class Forest School

We enjoyed a great – if extremely wet – first afternoon in Forest School this week. Please note that next week, we will be having our Forest School session on Tuesday instead of Wednesday. This is a one-off.

FRIENDS OF NEWTOWN

CRAZY HAIR DAY

Come to school with
your craziest hair styles



Voluntary donation welcome

26th October 2023

Safeguarding Attendance – EWO Update

This week we have been visited by the Education Welfare Officer (EWO) who monitors school attendance across the local authority. Attendance is a real focus for the Department for Education and Local Authority and our EWO reiterated the importance of attending school from both a safeguarding and academic perspective. It really is so important that children are in school as much as possible and we really appreciate your support in this as we target 97% attendance across the school year.

Attendance

It is therefore even more pleasing to share with you that this week's leading class was Kestrel Class with 100% attendance! The whole school average coming in at a fantastic 98%. Our school target this year is 97%. Well done all!



U11s Football

This week our U11 football team hosted Baschurch on an extremely wet Wednesday! Despite the challenges conditions, the team played with great determination and teamwork and despite losing the match, could leave with their heads held high after giving all they had! Well done all – I was very proud of you.

School Social Media

We are about to launch an Official School Facebook page which will allow us to share and celebrate all the wonderful things we do at school with the outside world.

Please look out for a permission form which will be sent out as on this page we would like to share pictures of the children.

Shining Stars of the Week

Owl Class: Archie for making the right choices and enjoying his learning.

Hawk Class: Y1 – Olly for his determination to succeed and achieve at school.

Y2 – Virginia for having resilience to keep coming to school despite not always feeling like it.

Kestrel Class: Freddie for his continued fantastic approach to learning.

Osprey Class: Alfred for having a great attitude to learning and being supportive of his peers.

Falcon Class: Rowan for his wonderful chess skills and promising to teach me!

It was a great pleasure to share a hot chocolate with you all this afternoon and talk about all our exciting plans for the weekend!

Outside Achievements

Alfred this week shared his trophy for winning the Shropshire U13 Squash Championship! This is an incredible achievement for Alfred – who is 9!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Yours sincerely,
Mr Ben Crompton.

Key Dates

October

Thursday 26th Crazy Hair Day
Friday 27th PD Day
Monday 31st Half term

November

Monday 7th Children return to school
Monday 20th Assessment Week
Monday 27th Parents Evening
Tuesday 28th Parents Evening

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MONDAY 30TH OCT - FRIDAY 3RD NOV
1PM - 2:30PM

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