

# Newtown Church of England Primary School



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

**Newsletter  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

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## Message from the Head

Next Thursday is School Census Day. Amongst other things, it is a day when the funding of the school is decided and the main way that this is done is by counting the number of hot school dinners which are ordered. In short, the more children that have a school dinner, the more money the school gets... and this accounts for thousands of pounds within a school budget!

Therefore, if your child doesn't usually have a school dinner, please consider signing them up for one next Thursday as it will go along way to increasing our income for the next twelve months!

And if this isn't enough to tempt you, next Thursday is a very special **Build Your Own Burger** day!

## Music Lessons

Is your child interested in learning a musical instrument within school?

Should there be enough interest, external teachers are available to teach the following instruments: Violin, Keyboard, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone & Oboe.

If you would like more information on costs, timings etc, please contact the school office.

## Forest School Mud Kitchen

Over the next couple of weeks, Mr Reincke, our school Site Maintenance Officer, will be working hard to build a Mud Kitchen in our newly expanded Forest School area. We will then need to kit it out... if anyone has any old pots and pans or cutlery, please send them in. They will be put to good use! Thank you.

## Nursery Stay & Play

Our next Stay & Play session is next Friday when we invite Nursery children and their parents into school. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please encourage them to pop along – our Early Years provision really is excellent.

## PE Kit Reminder

A reminder that school PE kits are to be worn on the children's PE days. All children were gifted their first PE kit at the start of the year but if you require additional kit, it is available to purchase from School Shop along with all other school uniform.

If, for any reason, children are unable to wear their PE kit, they should instead wear school uniform to school. It is not acceptable for children to wear alternative leisurewear, e.g. hoodies, in the absence of their PE kit.

## Breakfast Club and Sunset Club

Our wraparound care is proving to be very popular and the numbers of children wanting a place is growing.

Longer term we may have to start limiting numbers but for now arrangements are being put in place to ensure those who want to attend Sunset Club can.

The themes for this term are as follows:

Day of the Week	Club
Monday	Board Games
Tuesday	Young Engineers
Wednesday	Art & Craft
Thursday	Sports Club
Friday	Film Night

Thank you to those who have sent in board games, if anyone else would like to 'recycle' a board game from home, please bring it in for Mr Roberts to cast expert eye over! Thank you.

## Attendance

Owl 100% ★★★★★  
Hawk 94% ★  
Kestrel 93%  
Osprey 89%  
Falcon 97% ★★

Average for the week = 95%

Our whole school target is 97%.

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### Class Dojo Champions

Owl Class – Mia, Eleanor & Edith  
Hawk Class – Year 1 – Theo, AJ & Isla  
Hawk Class – Year 2 – Archie, Oliver W & Virginia  
Kestrel Class – Rosie, Freddie & Alfie  
Osprey Class – Zavier, Ashley & Alfred  
Falcon Class – Amy, Abbie & Anna-Bella

### Shining Stars of the Week Strength

*'Be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged.'*  
Joshua 1:9

Owl Class – Teddi-Jay for being a good friend and trying hard with his school work.

Hawk Class – Year 1 – Theodore for being so sensible, making really good choices and engaging with lessons.

Hawk Class – Year 2 – Archie for showing a real improvement in his reading and phonics.

Kestrel Class – Iris for her determination to excel and challenge herself in maths.

Osprey Class – Hayley for showing strength and persistence to improve her handwriting.

Falcon Class – Charlie for showing incredible strength in the face of challenges and his beautiful artwork.

### Outside Achievements

**Sadie** received two swimming certificates: one for 200m and the other for passing Stage 4 and progressing to Stage 5.

**Harriet** also received a swimming certificate for passing her Stage 6 and moving on to Stage 7.

Well done both!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Yours sincerely,  
Mr Ben Crompton.

### Key School Dates

#### January

24<sup>th</sup> January

Inspire with Owl Class  
2:15pm

31<sup>st</sup> January

Inspire with Hawk Class  
2:15pm

#### February

2<sup>nd</sup> February

Inspire with Kestrel Class  
2:15pm

6<sup>th</sup> February

Inspire with Osprey Class  
2:15pm

9<sup>th</sup> February

Break up from school

19<sup>th</sup> February

Return to school

#### March

15<sup>th</sup> March

Inspire with Falcon Class  
2:15pm

22<sup>nd</sup> March

Break up from school

#### April

8<sup>th</sup> April

Return to school

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