



# THE NJS Newsletter

**"learning to make a difference"**

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Issue 7

## **Congratulations on your retirement Mrs Jones!**

We are sorry to be losing a very valued member of the NJS team today. Mrs Jones (as some may say Spanish Jones), who has been at NJS for 25 years is retiring. She has had many roles at NJS over her 25 years, starting off life as a parent helper, moving on to roles including TA, SENCO administrator, HLTA and being a general administrator.

She is going to be greatly missed by all staff and children alike and we all wish her every happiness in her retirement.

### Number News

Miss Sherry says:

'If you count on in 2s, you never say an odd number.'

Is this always, sometimes or never true?  
Work hard to explain your reasoning to someone at home!

Mrs M x

### Year 4 Open Lunch

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend the Yr 4 open lunch, teachers and staff were encouraged by the amount of parents who attended.

All the notes and details of the lesson can be found on the Yr 4 page of the school website.

### Half Term

We hope you all have a safe half term during this busy period.

Please remember the following dates:

#### **Finish for half term –**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 3.30pm

#### **Back to School –**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

#### **Finish for Christmas –**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm

### **HEADTEACHER AWARDS**

*Well done to all the following children, who received head teacher's awards last week.*  
*Congratulations to:*

3R – Alice Roddy & Lilly Darling  
3S – Ewan Woodhouse & Niamh Lynch  
3B – Cameron Ashley & Jake Williams

4K – Elizabeth Moffitt & Amber Tonks  
4F – Zuzannah Zasacka & Callum Nelson

5H – Kyle Richardson & Erin Fielding  
5M – Joe Hardy & Tyler Scott

6S – Makenzie Milner & Ella Wood  
6J – Olivia Evans & Robert Ghiglieri

### DISCO

#### We are record breakers!!

Thank you to everyone who attended and helped out at the disco on Wednesday, we were all excited by the amount of children and were amazed at the money taken!

Total raised towards new music equipment for school is £359.43

### Road Safety

Over the school year NJS will be taking part in a road safety project with the help of Telford and Wrekin.

Our first task is to choose the four Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSO) for NJS. These will be two children from year 4 and two children from year 5. They will have responsibilities which include Road Safety week assembly, Walk to School Week surveyors and they will also look at ways to improve the roads and access to NJS.

If you would like to be considered for this role it needs to be in writing to Mr M, by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, detailing any ideas, initiatives, qualities you have to be a JRSO for NJS.

### Word Wizards

This week word wizards I would like you to match the short words to make one larger compound word.

butter	ground
every	bone
play	snake
moon	cup
back	light
rattle	where

Now make a list of other compound words you can think of!

Good luck

Mr Rotherham

### 5M Class Assembly

Many thanks to all the parents who attended 5M's class assembly. The children were thrilled with your attendance!

Also a huge well done to the class, they all performed amazingly well!

### Bags2School

Look out in your children's bags for a Bags2school bag. Over the half term please fill them with any unwanted clothing, shoes, hats, belts or soft toys etc. Then drop them off in the Victorian block conservatory anytime on Mon 9<sup>th</sup>, Tues 10<sup>th</sup> or Wed 11<sup>th</sup> of November. Thank-you for your ongoing support,

The NJS PTA

### School Nurse

Your school nurse is Rachel Osbourne and she can be contacted on 01952 621340 for any health concerns.

For parents of children with asthma, get your free Asthma pack for children aged 6-12 online from Asthma UK on [www.asthma.org.uk/s-hop/my-asthma-pack-parents](http://www.asthma.org.uk/s-hop/my-asthma-pack-parents).

Parents of year 3 children please can you return the Home School agreement that was in your contact forms pack. There are several still outstanding.

If you require another please contact the school office.

### ACCESS TO SCHOOL

ALL parents are reminded that children are to enter and leave school through the 'Parent and Child Entrance' by the conservatory. Children/parents should not use the entrance through the Visitors Car Park unless collecting children during the school day.

### Up Coming Dates:

Monday 2nd November - Children return to school.

Monday 2nd November - Yr 5/6 NSPCC Assembly

Wednesday 4th November -  
Yr 5 Open Lunch- Lesson 11am, Lunch 12pm.

Thursday 5th November - Bonfire Bonanza Lunch

Friday 6th November - 3R Class Assembly

Monday 9th November - Yr 5/6 NSPCC Workshop

Wednesday 11th November - Armistice Day

Wednesday 11th November - Diwali Festival

Wednesday 11th November -  
Yr 6 Open Lunch- Lesson 11am, Lunch 12pm.

Friday 13th November - Children in Need.

Monday 16th - Friday 20th November -  
Anti Bullying Week - Disability Awareness.

Thursday 19th November - Yr 2 Welcome Meeting and NJS Tour

Thursday 19th November - PAG meeting in 5M

Friday 20th November - 5S Class Assembly

Friday 20th November - PTA Cake Stall

Monday 23rd November - Road Safety Week

### Class Assemblies

A class assembly is time for children to share with family and friends some of the experiences they have had during their time in the classroom. Class assemblies are on **Fridays** and usually start at **2.50pm**. Dates for this school year are:

3R - 6<sup>th</sup> November '15  
5S - 20<sup>th</sup> November '15  
4K - 26<sup>th</sup> February '16  
3S - 18<sup>th</sup> March '16  
3B - 20<sup>th</sup> May '16  
6J - 27<sup>th</sup> May '16  
4F - 10<sup>th</sup> June '16  
6M - 24<sup>th</sup> June '16

### Attendance for w/beginning 11/10/15

Well done to class 3R who have achieved 99.29% attendance. They will receive an extra ten minutes play.

### NJS CLUB WEEKLY DIARY

Please read this section every week as there are occasions when we have to amend or cancel clubs. **BEAWARE OF CLUB FINISHING TIMES**

#### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

- School Council - 12-12.30pm in 3R with Mr R.
- Book Club - 12-12.30pm, in the library, with Miss Branton.
- Lower School Football - 3.30-4.15pm with AFC Telford on the field.
- Girls Football - NOT ON THIS WEEK
- Homework club - 3.30-4.15pm with Mrs J in the school library.
- Non Swimmers club - 12-12.30pm with Steph in the school pool.
- Dance Club - 3.30-4.15pm in the school hall with Sarah.

#### Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

- Choir - 12.30-1pm in the year 5 area with Mrs Green.
- Book Club - 12-12.30pm, in the library, with Miss Branton.
- Upper School Netball Club - NOT ON THIS WEEK
- Newspaper Club - 3.30-4.15pm in the ICT suite with Mrs Kerr.

#### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November

- Tag Rugby Club - 3.30-4.15pm on the school field with Mr Ashton and Mr J.
- Cross Country - 3.30-4.15pm on the school field, with Miss Hardy & Mr Williams.
- Cookery Club - 3.30-5pm with Mrs Sisson selected Yr5 children only.

#### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November

- Drama Club - 3.30-4.30pm in the school hall with Mrs Green.
- ICT Club - 3.30-4.15pm in the ICT suite with Mr Butler (lower school only this ½ term.)
- Multi Sports Club - 3.30-4.15pm with Mr M on the small yard (upper school only this ½ term)

#### Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November

- Eco Club, 12.30-1pm, with Mrs Green, in the yr. 5 area.
- Netball Club, 3.30-4.15pm, on the small yard, with Mr & Mrs Johnstone
- Upper School Football Club, 3.30-4.15pm, on the school field, with Mr M and Mr Jones.
- Book Club - 12-12.30pm in the library with Miss Branton.

### HOUSE POINTS

Well done to all the children who received house points last week. The results were:

- 1st - Jebb House
- 2nd - Wright House
- 3rd - Owen House
- 4th - Darwin House

Meaning Jebb house had extra access to the Small Yard on Monday

### PTA 100 Club

Look out for details of PTA 100 Club later this week.

It costs £10 to join which enters you into 5 prize draws to win cash prizes!

With the letter will be a form - this should be returned to school with £10 cash or cheque by Friday 23rd October please.

This is a great way to support NJS PTA whilst having a bit of a flutter! You need to be in it to win it.....

Thank you  
NJS PTA

### You are welcome to come in!

Year 3 parents: Please remember that you are welcome to come into school with your child in the morning during this transition period. ALL parents are reminded that class teachers are available in their rooms in the morning and on the yard at the end of the day. You can also contact us via the home link book.

### OPEN LUNCHES

You will be receiving a letter next week inviting you to this term's open lunch. Parents are invited into class at 11am for a workshop with the children, which is then followed by lunch at 12pm. The dates are:

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October - Year 4  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November - Year 5  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November - Year 6

Please return your attendance slip as soon as possible to support the kitchen.

### SCHOOL DINNERS

Reminder that the cost of school dinners is £2.00. Children should bring their money to school in a labelled envelope (name, class, school) and it should be placed in the class dinner basket in the morning before the register. For the week beginning 05/10 we will be on week 2 of the dinner menu.