

# THE NJS Newsletter

## "learning to make a difference"

Friday 20th November

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## Free Ice Skating!!

Mrs Millward and the kitchen are reintroducing Telford and Wrekin "Golden Tickets·"

Starting Wednesday 11th November, running on Wednesdays and Fridays until Christmas Three lucky winners each day will win a golden ticket, which entitles them to free ice skating!

All the children have to do is have a hot dinner on these day's and the lucky winners will have stickers on the bottom of their plates!

You have to have hot dinners to win!

GOLDEN TICKET WINNERS FOR LAST
WEEK WERE:
Amelie Clarke
Sophie Bowen-Thomas
Grace Beardmore
Elijah Anderson
Zusanna Zasacka
Sophie Phillips

## 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:

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 - 27th May '16

4F - 10th June '16

6M – 24<sup>th</sup> June '16

## **Word Wizards**

This weeks word puzzle involves going on an alphabetical animal hunt! Can you think of an animal beginning with a? b? c? etc.

Good luck.

Mr Rotherham

## **Christmas Performances**

<u>Lower School</u> – Their Christmas Performance will be performed to parents on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm in NJS's school hall. All children are to attend on both nights.

<u>Upper School – Their performance will be on</u> Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in St. Nicholas' Church. All children are to attend.

#### **Safer Neighbourhood Policing Teams**

As part of an initiative to increase pedestrian safety outside our school, Safer Neighbourhood policing teams are to take a preventative course of action in the hope of raising awareness to drivers, for the well being of our children, thereby promoting road safety with an aim to reduce road casualties.

We would like to remind you of the following to prevent unnecessary obstruction of the road or entrance to our school, which benefits all parties:

- Keep school zigzags free from vehicles (not even drop off!)
- Park so that you do not cause an inconvenience to anyone else.
  - Do not park illegally, fines start at £30.
  - Do not drive or park on the pavement.
- Do not park on single yellow lines/double yellow lines.
- Do not park on dropped kerbs/opposite school gates as this causes a blockage/obstruction.
- Never prevent a resident from getting to or from their property.
- Drive slowly at all times, children may suddenly step out into the road, this will allow you time to stop safely.

Vehicles identified causing any of the above offences may be subject to prosecution.

NJS in conjunction with West Mercia Police.

## Number News

Can your child confidently tell the time?

Telling the time from analogue and digital clocks is an essential life skill. Children should be able to read the time, find differences between given times and solve problems using their time skills.

Ask your child questions such as.... what time is it? How long until your bedtime? How many minutes does this TV programme last?

Good luck with supporting your child to be able to tell the time!

Mrs M x

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.

## **Head lice**

Please be aware that we have had a few messages from parents whose children have head lice.

Please all check your child's hair and treat appropriately.

## Children in Need -

Friday 13th November

We are please to announce we raised £304 for this fantastic cause.

Thank you to everyone who took part in this event.

## **Christmas Lunch**

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December, it is our annual Christmas Lunch. If your child would like a lunch, please send them with £2 in an envelope.

## **PTA Chocolate Challenge**

This year's inter class chocolate challenge week is Monday 30th Nov to Friday 4th Dec. The class with the most chocolate (by weight) will be the winners. The chocolate is for stalls for the PTA Christmas Fair on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December.

## **Christmas Parties**

At NJS each year group hold a party for the children to celebrate Christmas. Children will be invited to bring their own party food, to share with others, at the party. Each year group will have a signup sheet outside one of the classrooms, so we do not receive too much food. Please sign up to a food item when these lists appear. Parties are during the school day from 1.30-3.30pm

The party dates are as follows: Year 3 – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December Year 4 – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December Year 5 / 6 – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December

## **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:

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

Thursday 19th November - PAG meeting in

Friday 20th November - 55 Class Assembly

Friday 20th November - PTA Cake Stall

Friday 27th November - Mufti for a jar.

Monday 23rd November - Road Safety Week

Friday 4th December - St.Nicholas' Day

Wednesday 9th December- Year 3/4 Christmas Performance Year 3 parents to attend - 6.30pm start in the school hall.

Thursday 10th December - Year 3 / 4 Christmas Performance Year 4 parents to attend - 6.30pm start in the school hall.

Friday 11th December - PTA Christmas Fair 2pm-4pm in the school hall.

Monday 14th December - Year 5/6 Directly to Church for 8.50am for performance practice.

Monday 14th December - Year 5/6 Christmas Performance, 7pm at Church.

Tuesday 15th December - Year 3 Christmas

1.30 - 3.30pm in the school hall.

Wednesday 16th December - Church Children to go directly to church for 8.50am

Wednesday 16th December - Year 4 Christmas Party 1.30 - 3.30pm in the school hall.

## Attendance for w/beginning 09/11/15

Well done to class 34K who have achieved 100% attendance.

They will receive an extra ten minutes play.

## 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/shop/my-asthma-packparents.

#### 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 23rd 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 -3.30-4.15pm with Mrs Phillips and Mrs Wood on the field.
- Homework club CANCELLED UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Non Swimmers club 12-12.30pm with Steph in the school pool.
- Dance Club 3.30-4.30pm in the school hall with Sarah.

#### Tuesday 24th November

- Choir 12.30-1pm in the year 5 area with Mrs Green.
- Book Club 12-12.30pm, in the library, with Miss Branton.
- Newspaper Club 3.30-4.15pm in the ICT suite with Mrs Kerr.

#### Wednesday 25th November

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

#### Thursday 26th 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 27th 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
- 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 – Wright House

2nd – Jebb House

3rd - Darwin House

4th – Owen House

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

#### **CLUB NOTICES**

WE HAVE HAD A LOT OF CHILDREN LEFT AFTER CLUBS THIS WEEK. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT **OUTDOOR CLUBS FINISH AT** 4.15pm

#### Please remember:-

- Lower School Football is now for Yr 4 children.
- Dance club has now started on Mondays.

## National Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children! Friday 18th December

On Friday 18th December, we will be holding our National Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children. If you would like to send your child into school with their Christmas jumper on, please provide a donation of £1 for save the children.

## Jars For Mufti

In return for jars you can wear your own clothes to school on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Please start to fill jars, with wrapped sweets etc.

Please watch this space as next week you'll have the details for when and where to bring your Christmas Fair

donations

## Year 6 Open Lunch

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend the Yr 6 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 6 page of the school website.

## **Severe Weather**

As Winter is upon us a reminder about who to contact in the event of severe weather. To find out about school closures:

- Call 01952 386600
- Listen to BBC Radio Shropshire.
  - Visit the school website
- Or access this website: http://apps.telford.gov.uk/snowline