



# THE NJS Newsletter

“learning to make a difference”

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January '16

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## OPEN LUNCHES

This term's Workshops and Open Lunches will take place on the following dates:

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February – Yr 3

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February – Yr 4

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Yr 5

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March – Yr 6

All parents are welcome to attend the workshop (in classrooms) at 11am and/or lunch at 12pm.

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU RETURN THE REPLY SLIP SO WE CAN CATER FOR THE APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF ADULTS.**

## WHOLE SCHOOL PANTOMIME

TUESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2016

We will be leaving school around 1pm following lunch.

The PTA have kindly provided a drink and snack for the children to have whilst at the theatre.

We will return to school at APPROXIMATELY 5.45pm.

**Children are to be collected from the outside door to their classroom.**

ALL children WILL return to their classroom before being dismissed by the class teacher.

Thank you for your support.

## Date Change

Please note that Easter Bingo is on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March.

With Mufti for egg the same day.

This differs from the dates list sent home last week.

## Potential Library Closure

Please be aware Newport Town Library is at potential risk of closure.

The consultation period goes live on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January.

If you wish to make your views known, please visit the council website.

## YEAR 6 PARENTS

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February 6.30pm**

### SAT Workshop

ALL parents are encouraged to come along to receive important information about the SAT tests that ALL Year 6 children will take in May.

## Church

Please be aware our first half term church service is on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 8.50am.

Our Easter service is scheduled for Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 8.50am.

Children are to meet class teachers directly at church.

## Gold Award

NJS staff and children were congratulated this week, after achieving the Sainsbury's Active Mark, Gold Award, one of only ten schools in T & W. This award was given for excellence in PE, extra curricular activities and external clubs links. The certificate and plaque are in reception for people to look at.

## Junior Badminton

MD Grove Junior Badminton Club ~ Tournament Saturday 23rd January 2016 10am-2pm (Maurice Chandler Sports Centre, Warrant Road, TF9 2JP)

This is a friendly tournament for 'Beginners & Intermediate' players only, which means that all players can enjoy playing competition badminton with players of their own standard.

- Cost is £5 per player
- The competition will consist of 'doubles play' (U11's & U15's) in a round robin with semi-finals and finals
- Teams will be picked by the coaches
- All players will receive a medal and a certificate
- There will be a photograph of the players that will be emailed to parents/carers following the tournament.
- Please contact me if you can help on the day

### Please do

1. Bring a drink and some food
2. Wear shorts, T Shirt/polo shirt and non-marking sports shoes
3. Bring warm clothing
4. Change into your sports shoes inside the sports centre (this stops you bringing stones and dirt onto the new courts, they cost £35,000!)
5. Be courteous to other players and be an ambassador of our sport.
6. Put all litter in the litter bins
7. Enjoy your games

Please confirm and pay before the tournament so we know how many players will attend on the day.

Send a cheque made payable to 'MD Grove Badminton Club' for £5 (per player) and write the player(s) name on the rear and whether beginner or intermediate:

MD Grove Badminton Club  
Fern House  
Willaston  
WHITCHURCH  
Shropshire  
SY13 4PP

### Up Coming Dates:

Monday 18th January - Big School Garden Watch

Tuesday 19th January - Whole school to the Pantomime

Wednesday 20th January - Church Service  
Children to go directly to church for 8.50am

Wednesday 27th January - Holocaust Memorial Day

Wednesday 3rd February - PTA School Disco 3.30-5pm

Thursday 4th February - Yr 3 Open Lunch  
Open lunch - lesson 11am, lunch 12pm.

Thursday 4th February - Yr 2 Children Visiting for Sharing Assembly

Thursday 4th February - PAG meeting 3.30pm in 5M

Friday 5th February - PTA Cake Stall

Friday 5th February - Chinese New Year Lunch

Friday 5th February - Chinese New Year afternoon

Monday 8th February - Yr 6 Arthog children to the Deer Park

Monday 8th - Friday 12th February - Raising Aspirations Week

Tuesday 9th February - Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 9th February - Bring a parent to school day, for raising aspirations

Thursday 11th February - Yr 4 Open Lunch  
Open lunch - lesson 11am, lunch 12pm.

Thursday 11th February - Yr6 Parents SATs workshop

Friday 12th February - Product Sales Fair

Friday 12th February - Finish for half term.

Monday 22nd February - Children back to school.

Monday 22nd - Friday 26th - Yr 6 Arthog Residential

### NJS CLUB WEEKLY DIARY

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

A NEW CLUBS FLYER AND SIGN UP FORM HAVE BEEN SENT HOME THIS WEEK. THIS WILL NEED RETURNING TO SCHOOL ASAP.

CLUBS ARE DUE TO RESTART IN APPROXIMATELY WEEK 4, WEEK BEGINNING 25/01/16.

### 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-pack-parents](http://www.asthma.org.uk/shop/my-asthma-pack-parents).

### 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.

### Learn the Clarinet, Saxophone, Flute or Recorder!

Mr Gray has vacancies for woodwind pupils. There are school instruments available for pupils to use. If you are interested please contact Mr Gray on 01952 25205 for details of terms and conditions and current fees.

### 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.

### HOUSE POINTS

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

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

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

### 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>

### Cold Weather

Parents are reminded that during this time of cold weather children are to come to school with a coat. As the weather is getting a lot colder also think about hats, scarves and gloves – please ensure all items are clearly named.

### 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:

- 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 04/01/16

Well done to class 5M with 100% attendance. They will receive an extra ten minutes play.