



# THE NJS News

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### Healthy Eating

We encourage children to make healthy eating choices during the school day. Please support us by ensuring your children have healthy options for break time snacks and lunchboxes. If you need healthy eating ideas this website is useful: <http://www.nhs.uk/change4life/pages/healthy-lunchbox-picnic.aspx>

Please note that it is school policy that children who have packed lunches bring home their rubbish and any uneaten food. The reason for this is so that you can see how much of what you have packed your child has eaten. We have always had positive feedback on this from parents who may have anxious eaters. Obviously if your child had a leaky yoghurt etc. we would ensure this is disposed of!

### Mrs M's Home Challenge 16!

Hand write a letter to someone special and post it.

Take a photo of you completing the challenge and email it to Mrs Moody! [nicola.moody@taw.org.uk](mailto:nicola.moody@taw.org.uk) or just pass her any information you may find!

Photos will be displayed in school and on the website for children who have permission to do so.

### A Word from Mrs M....

Ask your child about the 'Thursday Throw'! To raise the profile of the importance of regular reading children have been bringing their reading diaries to assembly on a Thursday to 'show off' their efforts. I have been very impressed with the range of texts and detailed comments many children have been making.

Thank you to all of the Year 5 parents who attended open lunch. It was great to see everyone enjoying Maths and developing awareness of activities that can be used at home to support the progress of the children.

I hope the Year 5 children are all packed for Arthog! I hope they have a great week and can't wait to see the pictures on the website!

### ABSENCE

If your child is going to be absent from school please report this to the school office on 01952 386600. Thank you.

#### BEFORE AND END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

Please can we politely remind you that children are not supervised before 8.50am when the school bell rings. If you wish to see a member of staff please do so via the school office, even if they are Year 3 staff in the Victorian block.

If younger, or older, children are waiting on the school yard at the end of the school day please can you ensure that they wait on the yard not on the field.

Thank you for your support in keeping our children and school site safe.

### YEAR 6 PARENTS

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 6pm

#### 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.

### OPEN LUNCHES

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

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2017 – Year 4

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017 – Year 3

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017 – Year 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.

### 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:

- Listen to BBC Radio Shropshire.
- Visit the school website
- **Or access this website:**  
<http://apss.telford.gov.uk/snowline>

### Year 5/6 Orienteering Competition

If we have any budding Orienteer's from Yr 5/6 or any children who would like to give a competition a go, then please speak to Mr M ASAP. The competition is at the Deer Park later in the month.

### School Uniform

Please can we politely remind you that head bands worn to school should be black, brown, white or green.

Please can we also emphasise the importance of labelling all uniform items with your child's name. It can be frustrating when children lose items however they are generally easily returned when named.

### Up Coming Dates:

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup>  
January – Yr 5 to Arthog Residential

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January – Choir to Young Voices

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January – 2.45pm; Yr 2 to attend Celebration Assembly

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Yr 4 Open Lunch; Lesson at 11am and Lunch at 12pm

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February – Inter Faith Day

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February Mental Health Week

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February – E-Safety

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February – Yr2/3 Residential Meeting at Newport Infant School, 6pm

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February – PTA Disco

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February – Yr 3 Open Lunch; Lesson at 11am and Lunch at 12pm

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February – 4J Class Assembly; Parents from 2.50pm.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February - Raising Aspirations Week

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February - Valentine's Themed Lunch

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February – PAG in the NJS Library at 9am

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Inspirational Wax Work Museum Tour for Parents at 2.45pm

## NJS CLUB WEEKLY DIARY

Please read this section every week as there are occasions when we have to amend or cancel clubs. Club lists have been sent home this week

### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January -

Book Club, 12.-12.30pm in the School Library.  
Yr3 Multi-Sports Club, 3.30-4.30pm in the School hall,  
SIGNED UP Ch ONLY.  
Worship and Values, 12.30-1pm, in the School Library.  
Non-Swimmers, 12-12.30pm in the School pool.

### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January -

Art of Science Club, 3.30-4.30pm in the Kids Kitchen.  
Choir, 12.30-1pm, in the music room.  
Book Club, 12.-12.30pm in the School Library.  
Yr6 Writing, 3.30-4.30pm, in 6S, **INVITED Ch ONLY.**

### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February -

Cooking Club, in the kids kitchen until 5pm.  
Yr6 Maths, 3.30-4.30pm, in 6J, **INVITED Ch ONLY.**

### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February -

Yr 3/4 Computing Club, in the ICT suite, 3.30-4.30pm, **NOW FULL SIGNED UP Ch ONLY.**  
Drama Club - in the school hall, 3.30-4.30pm.  
Book Club, 12.-12.30pm in the School Library.  
Yr6 Writing, 3.30-4.30pm, in 6S, **INVITED Ch ONLY.**

### Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February -

Eco-Club, 12.30-1pm outside the Yr5 area.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE RE PARKING

It is not safe for any parents to park in the car park at the front of the Year 3 Victorian block at any time. Children regularly enter and leave through these gates and parking here is a risk to the safety of our children.

### Attendance

Well done to class

**3S**

who achieved **99.59%** attendance.

They will receive an extra ten minutes next year.

### NJS Sharing Success!

Throughout the year if your child has an achievement that you would like to share with the school community on the weekly newsletter please email me with the brief details

[ben.moody@tav.org.uk](mailto:ben.moody@tav.org.uk) e.g. Joe Bloggs ran the 4k Smithy Fun Run, Betty Jones has achieved a black belt in Karate at the Kicking Karate Club.

We look forward to finding out about your success!

### 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.

Please can we politely remind you that if you wish to speak to any member of staff at the start of the school day please do so through the school office.

### WOODWIND TUITION

Mr Gray has vacancies for pupils wishing to learn the clarinet, saxophone, flute or recorder.

If you don't have your own instrument you may be able to use a school instrument subject to availability.

For further information please contact Mr Gray on 01952 255205 or 0777 391 4065

### 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 **FRIDAY'S** and usually start at **2.50pm**. Dates for this school year are:

4J - 10/02/17	4R - 17/02/17
3K - 10/03/17	5H - 31/03/17
3S - 05/05/17	5M - 26/05/17
6J - 09/06/17	6S - 30/06/17

### Uniform clarity

We have been asked to clarify a couple of issues regarding uniform:

#### Footwear

In the winter months we are happy for children to wear smart, leather ankle or knee high boots. No snow boots in school.

#### Earrings

Please can we ensure children wear only small stud earrings to school, covering or removing for PE.

### PAG Meeting

The next Parent Action Group meeting will be held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February - PAG in the NJS Library at 9am

Any new parents are welcome to attend this meeting. If you have an agenda item please let Mr Moody have it by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

We hope for new members due to PAG's new time.

### Year 5/6 Hockey Competition

Telford & Wrekin Primary Schools  
Year 5/6 In2Hockey  
7-a-side  
Competition & Training

If we have any budding Hockey Player's from Yr 5/6 or any children who would like to give a competition a go, then please speak to Mr M ASAP.

The competition is at St. Georges Sports Club later in the month.

### 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. Whilst it is not school policy, we recommend that all girls try to have their hair tied up.

### HOUSE POINTS

For last week:

### Roll over to next week

The winners will have lunch first on the following Monday and they will also have access to the team games and activity area on the small yard.

## NEWPORT TOWN COUNCIL ANNUAL TOWN AWARDS



DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WORKS SELFLESSLY FOR THE COMMUNITY? WE NEED NOMINATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

- Citizen of the Year** Recognition for service in the community or a special achievement during 2016
- Young Person** Nominations must not have reached their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017.
- Team of the Year** Nominations may include sporting teams, choirs, musical groups, fundraising committees or other community focused groups, and are not restricted to voluntary groups.

Closing date Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Applications forms are available from the Guildhall, The Library, or from our website: [www.newportshropshire-tc.gov.uk](http://www.newportshropshire-tc.gov.uk)

Awards to be announced and presented at the Annual Town Meeting on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017 at Coxy Hall (7pm)

## HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Well done to all the following children, who received head teacher's awards last week. Email's about having lunch with Mrs. Moody will be sent home to the parents of the winners.

Congratulations to: Louis Mallett, Toby Middleton, Kara Gilbertson, Grace Gale, Leighton Matthews, Kayleigh Smith, Leonie Burgess, Ethan Brennan, Hannah Anslow, Oliver Cowap-Cerone, Coby Brotherton, Casey Squires, Abbey Ruston, Josh Reece, Lucas Hughes, Karol Kreft, Lily Wood, Kartik Wadodkar, Saira Korabandi and Alfie Haycox.