



HALF TERM
PLEASE REMEMBER WE BREAK UP FROM SCHOOL ON FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY AND **CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY.**

Up Coming Dates:

Friday 10th February – 4J Class Assembly; Parents from 2.50pm.

Monday 13th – Friday 17th February - Raising Aspirations Week

Tuesday 14th February - Valentine's Themed Lunch

Thursday 16th February – PAG in the NJS Library at 9am

Thursday 16th February – Inspirational Wax Work Museum Tour for Parents at 2.45pm

Friday 17th February – 4R Class Assembly; Parents from 2.50pm.

Friday 17th February – End of Half Term

Monday 27th – Friday 3rd March – Book Week (Tues/Wed/Thurs – Book Fair in School)

Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day; Dress up as a favourite book character

Thursday 2nd March- World Book Day Themed Lunch

Monday 6th March – Yr 5 Trip to Cadbury's World

Tuesday 7th March – Yr 2 Visit at 2.30pm

Friday 10th March – 3K Class Assembly; Parents from 2.50pm.

Monday 13th – Friday 17th March – Science Week

Monday 13th March – Yr 3 to the Dewa Centre

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A Word from Mrs M...

Wax Work Museum!
We are very excited about next weeks preparations for the wax work museum! We hope that your child's costume is ready. Please can they come to school on Thursday in their uniform, we will arrange for them to change after lunch in preparation for the museum. The children will need to consider their pose and expression!
We will welcome you into the museum through the office door from 2.45pm. On exiting the museum you may wait for your child; they will be dismissed as usual at 3.30pm.

Book Week

This year's book week is the 27th Feb – 3rd March.
Our annual book character dress up day is on Thursday 2nd March. You may want to take half term to start getting your outfits together.

Following a couple of queries presented to me by local residents please can we be aware of safe and courteous parking in the local area when dropping off and collecting children. It would be appreciated by residents if cars were not blocking driveways for example.
The Police are aware of the concerns presented by residents and will continue to be vigilant in the area.
Thank you for your ongoing support.

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NJS are pleased to announce that they are yet again teaming up with Activ8 to provide your children with a half term holiday club, ran here at NJS.
For more information about this please visit our school office. Fliers for the half term week should be coming home soon.

Sponsored Reading; Ready, Steady, Read!

Sponsor money to be returned to school by Monday 13 February, cheques made payable to Kate Mulvey.

Vouchers for half the money raised will then be issued to children ready for them to spend at the book fair, which will be held on 28 February, 1 and 2 March from 3.30 to 4.30pm, in the spare Yr6 classroom. You can view the full catalogue online at org.usbornebooksathome.co.uk/perfectkidsbooks. Please make sure you place an order if you are unable to attend the book fair. Remember a prize will be given to the child who reads the most and the child who raises the most money. The class with the most children taking part will also win a prize. Please support our sponsored read so that our children have more books to read, share and enjoy in school!
Many thanks,
Mrs Stanley

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 20!

Sort out what you don't need and give it to charity.

Take a photo of you completing the challenge and email it to Mrs Moody! 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.

Due to allergies in school please can we remind you that we request that children are not given nuts as snacks or in their lunch boxes.
Please may we also remind you that break time snacks should be fresh or dried fruit only.

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 13th February -

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.**

Girls Football, 3.30-4.30pm, on the School field.

Worship and Values, 12.30-1pm, in the School Library.

Non-Swimmers, 12-12.30pm in the School pool.

Tuesday 14th February -

Art of Science Club, 3.30-4.30pm in the Kids Kitchen - **SIGNED UP Ch ONLY.**

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.**

Yr3/4 Microsoft Club, 3.30-4.30pm in the ICT suite - **NOW FULL**

Wednesday 15th February -

Cooking Club, in the kids kitchen until 5pm.

Yr5/6 Tag Rugby, 3.30-4.30pm, on the School field.

Yr3/4 Cross Country, 3.30-4.30pm, on the School field.

Yr6 Maths, 3.30-4.30pm, in 6J, **INVITED Ch ONLY.**

Thursday 16th February -

Yr 3/4 Computing Club, **NOT ON THIS WEEK**

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 17th February -

Yr5/6 Football - 3.30-4.30pm on the School field.

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.

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@taw.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.

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.

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.

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.

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:

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

Attendance

Well done to class

3S

who achieved

97.62% attendance.

They will receive an extra ten minutes next week.

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 loose items however they are generally easily returned when named.

Caretaker

Mr Williams our school caretaker will be retiring from his role on the 17th March. Telford and Wrekin will be advertising for the role of a school caretaker for us on their website. If you or anyone you know is interested please apply through the online process or for more details contact Mrs Green or Mrs Moody.

School Nurse

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

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

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://apps.telford.gov.uk/snowline>

HOUSE POINTS

For last week:

1st Darwin

2nd Jebb

3rd Owen

4th Wright

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.

PAG Meeting

The next Parent Action Group meeting will be held on Thursday 16th 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 10th February.

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

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: Fergus Weston, Elsa Pilgrim, Ben Cutler, Sylvia Ody, Leighton Matthews, Chelsey Holt, Erin Stretton, Holly Atkinson, Kelsi Felton, Charlie Holt, Lacey Stevenson, Mia Wood, Georgina Otero-Salgado, Harvey Seabridge, Thomas Longworth, Mabel Bowen, Max Heath, Alex Briggs, Rossi-Jordan Hesbrook & Caitlyn Disley.