



Welcome back, we hope you all had a lovely Easter break!

**DATE CHANGE**

Due to the Yr2/3 residential we have had to change the date we attend church for the start of the new term.

**We will now be attending church on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 8.50am**

**A Word from Mrs M....**

Welcome back! I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break; we managed to get to the beach everyday on our break in Somerset!

I am looking forward to the residential at Laches Wood next week; I am hoping for a good nights sleep ;-). Thank you to all of the staff supporting this visit.

Please can I politely remind you that at drop off and collection times parents and children should ONLY be using the children's entrance NOT the visitors entrance. This is for the safety of our children.

**Football Fans!**

Who fancies the chance of winning a signed Chelsea football, from all of this seasons players?

Jacob Briscoe in Year 6 is raffling this super prize on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May at the Nova tournament to be held at Shuker Field – tickets are only £1 each.

All the funds raised are going to "Rays of Sunshine" a charity which granted Jacob his wish to meet the Chelsea team!!

**Cross Country Competition**

Well done to all the children who took part in this week's Cross Country event at Telford Hornets.

We'd also like to give a huge thank you to parent helpers/transporters!

Miss Hardy will be sending out details of the next event at Chetwynd Deer Park on Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

If you are assisting with transport, please be aware of where you are parking as this was an issue last year; and you cannot walk!

Good luck to all of those taking part!

**SATs WEEK**

Reminder to Year 6 parents that all children MUST be in school the week beginning the 8<sup>th</sup> May. Ideally ALL children will attend breakfast club to enable them to prepare successfully for the assessments. Please inform your class teacher if you are unable to attend.

**CLUBS FLYER**

Your child should have brought home the clubs flyer for the summer term. With it should have been the sign-up sheet. Please could you fill this in and send it back to school by the time the club starts. This is to ensure all children are safe at the end of the school day!

**Up Coming Dates:**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May Yr 2/3 Residential to Laches Wood

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Yr 6 SAT's Week

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Yr 6 to Alton Towers

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Church; Children to meet at church at 8.50am

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Yr 5 Open Lunch from 11am

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Yr 4 Colomendy Residential

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Yr 3 Open Lunch from 11am

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May – 24 Yr 6's to the Deer Park for the Photography workshop

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Finish for Half Term

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Children back to school

**Swimming Gala's**

All year groups will be taking part in swimming galas in the summer term. The children have the opportunity to practice their races and then perform for you as parents. Children will be returning back to school after the practice galas, but will be allowed to be collected from Newport Town Pool after their real galas.

Parents and family of NJS children are asked to come and watch their children perform during the actual galas, at Newport Town Pool 2-3pm.

Please watch this space, for each year groups dates.

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**Mrs M's Home Challenge!**

Make binoculars out of old toilet rolls and identify creatures, birds etc close to your home.

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.

**Schools' Aquathlon Relays 2017**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 12.30pm**

Mrs Follis is kindly putting together teams for NJS. This is for children in Yr 5 and Yr 6.

The competition comprises of a 50m swim and a 600m run.

If anyone wishes to take part then please speak with her.

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> May** – BANK HOLIDAY

**TUESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

- Yr 6 Writing; 3.30-4.30pm in 6S
- Yr 3/4 Microsoft Club; 3.30-4.15pm in the ICT suite
- Choir; 12.30-1pm in the music room
- Book Club; 12-12.30pm in the library

**WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

- Yr 6 Maths; 3.30-4.30pm in 6J
- Yr 5 Cooking with; 3.30-5pm in the children's kitchen

**THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> May**

- Yr 6 Writing; 3.30-4.30pm in 6S
- Drama; 3.30-4.30pm in the school hall
- Book Club; 12-12.30pm in the library
- Computing Club; 3.30-4.30pm in the ICT suite (selected children only)

**FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> May**

- Eco Club; 12.30-1pm in the outdoor Yr5 area
- Rounders Club; 12.30-1pm on the school field
- Yr5/6 Cricket Club; 3.30-4.30pm on the school field

### Safeguarding

<http://www.newportjuniorschool.org.uk/safeguarding.php>

Have you noticed this new page on our website, pinpointing advice for keeping your children safe.

### Cross Country

There will no club for the first two weeks of the term. This is due to the cross country race events taking place.

### Parent Action Group

NJS has an active Parent Group who meet half termly to discuss school strengths and next steps. They are friendly informal meetings with effective discussions over a cup of tea! All parents are very welcome. Please come along to air any views or ask any questions school can answer for you! Please watch this space for next terms dates!

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.

### Sharing Success

Daniel in 3B played his first proper football match at the start of the Easter holidays and received Man of the Match. It's the first team he's ever played for so we were all super proud! Well done Daniel – from all at NJS x

### SPORTS DAY!

Please remember children are asked to have a t-shirt in their house colour for this event coming up in June!

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Yr. 3 / 4 Sports Day.

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Yr. 5 / 6 Sports Day.

### 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 AT THE 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 there 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. If they need the toilets please come across the main block.**

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

### 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:  
5M – 26/05/17      6J – 09/06/17  
6S – 30/06/17

### Colomendy Residential

Please ensure you have sent your child's medical form back into school as the centre require copies of these ASAP.

Also please ensure you are up to date with payments for this trip, please send any money into Mrs Green in the school office, clearly labelled.

### 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](mailto: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!

### Open Lunches

This term our Open Lunches are on Wednesday's. Please find the dates of the open lunches and the area of work the children will be completing:

Wed 17<sup>th</sup> May – Year 5  
Wed 24<sup>th</sup> May – Year 3  
Wed 7<sup>th</sup> June – Year 4  
Wed 21<sup>st</sup> June – Year 6

We hope you will be able to join us for both the lesson and lunch!

### HOUSE POINTS

For last week:

1<sup>st</sup> DARWIN  
2<sup>nd</sup> Owen  
3<sup>rd</sup> Jebb  
4<sup>th</sup> 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.

### 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.

### Attendance

Well done to class

4F & 4R who achieved

98.67% attendance.

They will receive an extra ten minutes next week.

### 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.

### Pupil Librarians

Any Year 4 pupils who are interested in becoming a librarian for next year, please look for the posters around school giving details. Applications need to be given to me by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June.

Mrs Stanley x