



A Word from Mrs M....

Well done to all of the Year 3 children who visited Laches Wood this week; they were excellent and made some super memories (I even got a bit more sleep than expected!). Thank you to all staff on the residential and back at school who enabled this visit to take place.

SATs WEEK

Reminder to Year 6 parents that all children MUST be in school the week beginning the 8th 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.

All Year 6 families should have received a letter from Mrs Moody with a reminder of the arrangements. Any issues with Year 6 attendance please contact the school office, speaking directly with Mrs Moody, Miss Sherry or Mr Jones by 8.30am.

Walk to School Week!

Monday 15th May is the beginning of Walk to School Week. Each morning the school council will record the number of children who walked to school by class. If you Park & Stride that counts too! Park & Stride means they were driven part of the journey but parked further away from school and walked the rest of their journey in.

At the end of the week the class with the most amount of walkers, during Walk to School Week, will win a special prize!

Sharing Success...

Niamh & Erin Stretton are currently representing Newport Swimming Club in competitions across the county.

This was their first one.
Article from the Newport Advertiser.

Local swimmers make waves



Up Coming Dates:

Monday 8th Friday 12th May – Yr 6 SAT's Week

Tuesday 16th May – Yr 6 to Alton Towers

Wednesday 17th May – Church; Children to meet at church at 8.50am

Wednesday 17th May – Yr 5 Open Lunch from 11am

Monday 22nd – Wednesday 24th May – Yr 4 Colomendy Residential

Wednesday 24th May – Yr 3 Open Lunch from 11am

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

Friday 26th May - Finish for Half Term

Monday 5th June – Children back to school

Wednesday 7th June – Yr 4 Open Lunch from 11am

Saturday 10th June – Newport Carnival

Wednesday 14th – Friday 16th June – Yr 6 London Residential

Wednesday 21st June – Yr 6 Open Lunch from 11am

Wednesday 21st June – PTA Summer Disco

Monday 26th June – Sports Day Yr3/4; Parents from 1.30pm

Tuesday 27th June – Sports day Yr5/6; Parent from 1.30pm

THE NJS News

"learning to make a difference"

<http://www.newportjunior.school.org.uk/>

Friday 5th May '17

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Mrs M's Home Challenge!

Paint rocks with water and see what colours arise!

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.

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.

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 8th May

- Yr 3/4 Boys Football; 3.30-4.30pm on the school field
- Girls Football; 3.30-4.30pm on the school field
- Book Club; 12-12.30pm in the library
- Non-swimmers; 12-12.30pm in the school pool
- Worship and Values Club; 12.30-1pm in the Library

TUESDAY 9th May

- Yr 6 Writing; 3.30-4.30pm in 6S
- Yr 3/4 Microsoft Club; CANCELLED THIS WEEK.
- Choir; 12.30-1pm in the music room
- Book Club; 12-12.30pm in the library

WEDNESDAY 10th May

- Yr 6 Maths; 3.30-4.30pm in 6J
- Yr 5 Cooking with; 3.30-5pm in the children's kitchen
- Athletics Club; 3.30-4.30pm on the school field

THURSDAY 11th 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 12th 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

Cross Country Competition

Well done to all the children who took part in this week's Cross Country event at The Deer park.

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

We will hopefully have all the results sent to us over the next few weeks. We will endeavour to get these to you.

SPORTS DAY!

Please remember children are asked to have a t-shirt in their house colour for this event coming up in June!
Monday 26th June - Yr. 3 / 4 Sports Day.
Tuesday 27th 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 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!

HOUSE POINTS

For last week:

1st DARWIN
2nd OWEN
3rd JEBB
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.

Newport Carnival "Royal Party"

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Newport Carnival Royal Party, please see Mr Moody for entry details.

Safeguarding

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

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

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.

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
3 S who achieved 99.01% 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 10th June.

Mrs Stanley x