



THE NJS News

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**Friday 19th
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Mrs M's Home Challenge!

**Read a book in the woods
somewhere!**

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.

Advice from our School Nurse.
If your child has a rash that is infected, we would recommend it is swabbed by your GP. We have recently had a couple of cases in school and in order for appropriate treatment to be carried out it is important the infection is accurately identified. If you have any queries please contact the School Nurse Rachel Osborne on 01952 621340.

A Word from Mrs M....

This week we have had our SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) which has meant another busy week for the team! As soon as we receive our published report we will ensure you receive a copy. Unfortunately Mrs Kerr remains unwell and our best wishes are with her. We are pleased to be able to keep Mr Evans as part of our school family to continue to teach 3K. Miss Sherry has been appointed to cover SENDCO responsibilities for the remainder of this school year and during Mrs Kerr's maternity leave. I hope Year 4 have a fabulous time at Colomendy next week, I am looking forward to hearing all about the adventure.

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 on the dates below:

- Year 6 Actual Gala – Thursday 25th May
- Year 4 Practice Gala – Thursday 8th June
- Year 4 Actual Gala – Thursday 15th June
- Year 5 Practice Gala – Thursday 22nd June
- Year 5 Actual Gala – Thursday 6th July
- Year 3 Practice Gala – Thursday 13th July
- Year 3 Actual Gala – Thursday 20th July

Spikes Haircut

Spike's hair is now 9 inches in length! He is having it cut for a fabulous cause, "Little Princess Trust," who provide real hair wigs for children suffering with hair loss.

To donate – see Spike or visit www.justgiving.com/fundraising/spikeshair

NJS's Carnival Float-Saturday 10th June 10am-1pm

Your child should have brought home a letter this week about NJS's Carnival Float. If you would like to take part on NJS's float, please come and tell Mr Moody. Our theme this year is "Brit Pop!"

We are dressing up as famous British Pop/Rock Stars and you will need to provide a costume. Mr M has some super ideas if you need help!!

Open Lunches

Please find the dates of the open lunches and the area of work the children will be completing:

- Wednesday 17th May – Year 5
- Wednesday 24th May – Year 3
- Wednesday 7th June – Year 4
- Wednesday 21st June – Year 6

All the open lunches will be focussing upon children's writing requirements to ensure you can support your child with the new writing attainment process. We hope you will be able to join us for both the lesson and lunch!

Up Coming Dates:

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

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

Thursday 25th May – 24 Yr 6s 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

Thursday 29th June – Transition Day 1

Friday 30th June – Transition Day 2

Half Term

Please remember school closes for a week, after school on Friday 26th May. Children need to be back in school on Monday 5th June.

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 22nd 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 23rd 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 24th May

- Yr 5 Cooking with; CANCELLED THIS WEEK
- Athletics Club; CANCELLED THIS WEEK

THURSDAY 25th May

- Yr 6 Writing; CANCELLED THIS WEEK
- 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

FRIDAY 26th 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

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.

Drama Club Performance

Please note due to really busy summer term the drama clubs performance of

"Alice in Wonderland"

is on

Wednesday 19th July.

More details will follow, including performance times etc.

Open Evening

**Wednesday 12th July
3.30pm-6pm**

You are invited into school to look at the fantastic work the children have done this year. This open evening also gives you chance to chat with class teachers about your child's report. This evening also gives you the opportunity to meet and speak with your child's new class teacher for September.

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 to 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

NJS & NIS Quiz

Unfortunately due to lack of numbers this quiz has been cancelled.

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.

Attendance

Well done to class

3 S who achieved 100% attendance.

They will receive an extra ten minutes next week.

PE Kits

In recent weeks we have had a number of children forgetting PE kits or swimming kits.

During the remaining weeks, we would suggest all children bring PE kits into school and leave them for the week - taking them home at the end of the week to be washed.

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!

Reminder about mobile phones!

If children bring mobile phones into school please can they make sure they are handed into the office or their class teacher at the start of the school day. Mobile phones are not to be kept in lockers for safety and security. At the end of the school day the children may then collect their mobile phone from the office or class teacher. Thank you for your support.

Summer Fair

Please remember it is our Summer Fair on Thursday 6th July.

Please send in any gifts, prizes, raffle prizes, tombola and white elephant goods into school. If you are attending the fair please collect your child from their classroom @ 2pm.

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: 6J – 09/06/17 5M and 6S – look out for new dates here.

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 9th June.
Mrs Stanley x