



NJS Weekly News

"Learning to make a difference"

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Up Coming Dates:

September

Friday 22nd – Genes for Jeans Day £1

Tuesday 26th – National Languages Day, Around the World themed lunch

Thursday 28th – National Poetry Day "Freedom"

October

Monday 2nd – Friday 6th – Black History Week

Monday 9th – Friday 13th – National Curry Week

Wednesday 11th – Year 3 Open Lunch from 11am

Monday 16th – Year 3&4 Parents Afternoon and Evening

Tuesday 17th – Year 5&6 Parents Afternoon and Evening

Wednesday 18th – Year 4 Open Lunch

Thursday 19th – Harvest Festival @ 1.30pm

Friday 20th – 3B Class assembly

Friday 20th – Finish for Half Term @ 3.30pm

Monday 30th – Children back to School

Tuesday 31st – All Hallows themed lunch

November

Wednesday 1st – Year 5 Open Lunch from 11am

Friday 3rd – 4S Class assembly

Friday 3rd – PTA cake stall

Wednesday 8th – Year 6 Open Lunch from 11am

A Word from our Head Teacher, Mrs Moody...

It was a pleasure to lead collective worship in church this week for the first time this academic year. I was very proud to introduce our new Worship Leaders to our school family who led the school in prayers of thanks – well done to them. I was very excited to host our first Top Table of the term on Monday. Children who receive a Head teachers Award on a Thursday are invited to attend the Top Table on a Monday lunchtime. The children have their dinner first, have special cups, treats on the table (provided by our excellent kitchen team) and sit together with me. Children are never made to come, it's only if they have received an award and would like to do so for their reward.

Charitable Donation, Mrs Stanley

Before we broke up for the summer, I had a really good sort out in the library and in the book banding boxes. I threw out lots of books which were ripped and tatty. Lots of books were very dated. These books we donated to the Severn Hospice. They have sent us a letter thanking us for the donation of books and to let us know, that our books have raised £125 for the hospice.

Getting to know staff at NJS Mrs Jukes is a Year 3 teacher.

Did you know these 5 facts about, Mrs Jukes?

1. She loves looking after her black and white cat, Jessie Jukes.
2. She loves to cook and try new recipes.
3. She loves going camping.
4. She's a part time guide leader.
5. She loves to go running and has recently discovered extreme fitness!

Watch this space to find out more about our staff here at NJS.

Mrs M's Home Challenge!

Read a non-fiction book about nature. Make a list of possible ideas we could use in our conservation area at the far end of the school.

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.

Applications for Secondary School Places

Applications open on the 12th September for children in Year 6. Applications are made online at www.telford.gov.uk/admissions. The closing date for applications is the 31st October '17.

Safeguarding

<http://www.newportjuniorsschool.org.uk/safeguarding.php>
Have you noticed this new page on our website, pinpointing advice for keeping your children safe?

PARKING

We try to be good neighbours to those who live near our school. I have been contacted by a resident whose driveway was blocked by a parent collecting a child at the end of the school day. Please can we be considerate when dropping off and collecting from school – please try to use our town car parks to support you and to keep our children safe. Where possible we would encourage you to walk, scoot or cycle to school.

School Times

Please remember that your children are your responsibility until the doors for school open for children to go into classes at 8.50 am.

Gates are locked **promptly** at 9am.

Entrance to school for all children is through the gates via the playground.

Children should only enter through the main entrance if it is after 9am and the gates are locked. At this point they will need signing in the late book.

At the end of the school day, parents are asked to wait on the playground only when the gates are opened at 3.20pm.



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OVERDO IT IN DENIM.

Friday 22nd Sept

JEANSFORGENES.ORG

CHANGE OF PLAN!

We apologise for a slight change but hope we are giving you plenty of notice! Our Harvest Festival will be held at St Nicholas' Church 1.30-2.15pm on Thursday 19th October. Parents are very welcome to attend. Children will ALL return to school following this service; they will be dismissed from school as usual at 3.30pm.

Year 5 Trip to Enginuity

A letter for the trip should have come home this week, please complete the slip and return ASAP. If anyone has any problems about this trip please come in and speak with your child's class teacher.

SCHOOL DINNERS

Reminder that the cost of school dinners is £2.10 per pupil per day. (Cheques to be made payable to Telford & Wrekin Council). Please send lunch money into class in a separate, named envelope as this is dealt with by the school cook, and it should be placed in the class dinner basket in the morning before the register. For the week beginning 11/9 we will be on week 2 of the dinner menu.

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. "Over the past five years this forum has NJS improve communications, had a say on school policies, offered opinions on school arrangements and strategies including Numeracy, Literacy, Homework, Home School Agreement, have the opportunity to views plans and be involved in developing school initiatives and had "our" say and questions answered. This is a strong median for constructive criticism which enables school to resolve issues across its school community, in partnership with parents and teachers, improving the school, so that together we can make a difference!" Mrs Mellings, Mrs Storey, Mrs Ingman and Mrs Stacey 2016. Please watch this space for detail of our first meeting during this academic year.

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.

Attendance

Well done to class

3R, 4R & 6J

who achieved **100%** attendance.

They will receive an extra ten minutes next week.

OPEN LUNCHES

You will be receiving a letter next week inviting you to this terms open lunch. Parents are invited into class at 11am for a workshop with the children, which is then followed by lunch at 12pm. The dates are:

Wednesday 11th October – Year 3
Wednesday 18th October – Year 4
Wednesday 1st November – Year 5
Wednesday 8th November – Year 6

Please return your attendance slip as soon as possible to support the kitchen.

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

This weeks successful students are:

- Faye Bradley who was star gymnast of the week this week at Airborne gymnastics.

Well done to all the children on their success.

House Captains

Congratulations to the following children who are our house captains this year:

Darwin – Georgina Otero-Salgado & Bradley Groome
Jebb – Archie Elsdon & Iris Bates
Wright – Amber Tonks & James Frost
Owen – Mabel Bowen & George Howells

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.

PTA News

PTA AGM Wednesday 20th
7:30pm at school - all welcome.

2nd Hand Uniform Sale Fri 22nd
Sept 3:30 - 4pm form the PTA's new home (next to the kitchen) just follow the signs.

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:

Autumn

20/10/17 – 3B
04/11/17 – 4S
10/11/17 – 6EJ
17/11/17 – 5L

Spring

02/02/18 – 4R
09/02/18 – 6J
02/03/18 – 3J
16/03/18 – 5H

Summer

4F – 24/05/18 3k – 08/06/18
6S – 06/07/18 5M – 20/07/18

Clubs

Please be aware we have many club changes – both which days they are happening and who they are being run by. Some clubs are new and some aren't being run this term. Please look out for other exciting club changes during this school year!.

Head-teacher Awards

Well done to all the following children, who received head teacher's awards last week. These children got to sit on the top table on Monday lunchtime and have lunch with Mrs M.

Congratulations to:

Emily Talbot, Rhys Plant, Holly Prinold, Ethan Brennan, Evie Lilly, Oliver Dix, Byron Jones, Jessica Morris, Amber Tonks, Lucas Meadows, Joel Hope, Lucas Hughes, Lucas Curbishley, Sebastian Curbishley, Caden Voyce, Nolan Hull, Jacob Ellarby, Ruby Amos, Joseph Evans, Edie-Mae Swinn, Martha Tryhon, Liam Beardmore, Thomas Prince & Toby Collins.

Clubs List for the week commencing; Mon 18th Sept:

Monday 18th

- Yr 3/4 Football – 3.30-4.30pm on the school field with AFC Telford.
- Netball – NOT ON THIS WEEK DUE TO INTERNAL COACHING COURSE

Tuesday 19th

- Microsoft – 3.30-4.30pm in the ICT suite with Mr Parker
- Yr 5/6 Netball Team – 3.30-4.30pm on the small yard with Miss Payne
- Girls Football – 3.30-4.30pm on the school field with Mrs Wood and Mrs Willets.

Wednesday 20th

- Yr 6 Maths – 3.30-4.30pm in 6J with Mr J (invited children only)
- Cooking – 3.30-5pm in the children's kitchen with Mrs Sisson and Mrs Jukes (signed up children only)
- Mindfulness – 3.30-4.30pm in the hall with Miss Hardy
- Yr 5/6 DIY – 3.30-4.30pm in 5L with Mr Lawson

Thursday 21st

- Drama – 3.30-4.30pm in the hall with Mrs Green
- Girls Coding – 3.30-4.30pm in the ICT suite with Mr Butler
- Tag Rugby – 3.30-4.30pm on the field with Mr Parker & Mr Lawson

Friday 22nd

- Yr 5/6 Football – 3.30-4.30pm on the field with Mr M and Mr J
- Dance – 3.30-4.30pm in the hall with Miss Payne

Church Services at St.Nicholas' Church

Parents are reminded that for church services children are to go directly to church on the given dates. Children are to arrive at church, no earlier than 8.50am, where they will be met by their class teacher. Children will then be walked back to school by school staff.

End of Term Worship: Thursday 14th December

Upper School Concert Practice: Monday 11th December at 8.50am

Upper School Carol Concert: Monday 11th December @ 7pm

New Club Alert!

Mindfulness Club will be starting soon after school for children in Year 5 and 6. It will be a chance for children to relax, chill out and have some reflection time at the end of the day. We will practise relaxing yoga, calming meditation, have fun with art or music activities, and more! We will throw away any negativities and celebrate the positives, and learn new strategies to help with feelings of anxiousness or stress. If this sounds like your cup of tea, keep your eye out for the clubs list or ask Miss H for more info x