

# NJS Weekly News

# "Learning to make a difference"

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#### **Up Coming Dates:**

November Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Mufti for a jar

<u>December</u>

Friday 1st - Christmas Fair 2-

3.30pm

**Wednesday 6th –** Senior Citizens Tea Party 2pm

**Thursday 7th –** Year 4

Christmas Performance 2pm and 6pm

Friday 8th - Year 6 Christmas Party 1.30-3.30<sub>pm</sub>

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - Years 5&6 to Church for 8.50am (Performance Practice)

Monday 11th - Year 3

Christmas Party 1.30-

.3.30pm

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> — Year 5&6 Performance at Church; 7pm

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> - Year 3

Christmas Performance 2pm and 6pm

**Wednesday13th** — Church for all pupils; end of term service.

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>** — Christmas Dinner

**Thursday 14th** - Year 4 Christmas Party 1.30-

.3.30pm

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> - Year 5 Christmas Party 1.30-

.3.30pm

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> — Finish for End of Term @ 3.30pm

<u>January</u>

**Tuesday 2**nd - PD Day **Wednesday 3**rd — Back to

School.

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>** — Years 5/6 to the Panto, return 6pm

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>** — Year <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> to the Panto, return 6pm

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup>** – National Bring Your Pet to School Day A Word from our Head Teacher, Mrs Moody...

In assembly on Monday I talked to the children about road safety as this week it is National Road Safety Week. We talked about how to cross roads sensibly and how to keep safe at busy times of the day around our school. The children were also keen to remind me that 'twenty is plenty' and were very aware of how to encourage drivers and pedestrians to keep themselves safe.

Children have begun preparing for Christmas celebrations and performances and I would encourage you to ensure you read the newsletter carefully to check you know about forthcoming 'Christmas dates'! Well done to the Year 5 children who have decorated Henshalls Insurance Brokers window on Newport High Street ahead of the switch on of the Christmas lights tonight.

Mon 27<sup>th</sup> – Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Nov - Chocolate Challenge Week

The class with the most choc by weight are awarded an extra playtime. The choc is used on the chocolate tombola stall. Please send in to school as much chocolate as you can!

#### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Lunch, Church and National Christmas Jumper Day!

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December children will be attending church for our end of term and Christmas celebrations. Please take your child directly to church for 8.50am.

Also on this day we will be having our Christmas Lunch, children who wish to have a Christmas lunch will need to order one in the usual way and pay £2.10 to the school kitchen.

As in previous years we will be celebrating "National Christmas Jumper Day" on behalf of Save the Children, however, we thought that this year it would be nice our Christmas meal in this jumper! So for a "fine" of £1 children can come into school wearing their uniform their Christmas jumper on this day also.

## PTA School Christmas Fair Friday 1st December

2pm- 3.30pm.

Lots of the old favourite stalls

– jar stall, chocolate challenge, bottle tombola, teddy bears, lucky dip and lots of games.

Donations for the Christmas Fair - we would greatly receive any bottles, teddy bears, toys, books, DVD's, any item suitable for a raffle or cakes for the refreshment stall.

#### Year 3 Pioneer Residential Meeting

On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>

November at 3.30pm there will be a Pioneer Centre meeting, in the school hall, for parents of Yr 3 children

who would like to attend this residential. The meeting will take place

in the school hall, where parents will be receiving more information about the centre and the activities it will provide.

Parents are then welcome to sign their child up for the residential, with a £10 deposit.

### Mrs M's Home Challenge!

Do a household chore without being asked.

Take a photo of you completing the challenge and email if to Mrs Moody! <a href="mailto:nicoda.moody@taw.org.uk">nicoda.moody@taw.org.uk</a> 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.

#### NJS Post Box!

Please note that we have a white post box on the outside of the door to reception, where you are welcome to deposit permission slips, trip money etc. Especially useful if your child has a habit of burying it at the bottom of their bag! This will be emptied, daily, by a member of our office team.

#### **Christmas Performances**

Christmas performances will be performed to parents on:

Yr 3 – Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>

December 2pm and 6pm in the School Hall.

Yr 4 – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>

December 2pm and 6pm in the School Hall.

**Yr 5/6** – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm, at St. Nicholas' Church.

You are allowed to take photos and film footage of the play for your personal use only. Photos and film must not be posted on social networking websites e.g. Facebook or video sharing communities e.g. You Tube.

#### Lunch Price increase for Parents

Please be aware for future open lunches, a parents lunch has increased to £2.82.

#### Getting to know staff at NJS

The correct answer to last weeks was Mrs Jones, who is a HLTA and children's mentor, for classes and children from across the school. Which member of staff is this...

- 1. I love doing gymnastics.
  - 2. I have three sisters.
- 3. I love all things French.
- 4. I was once a punk rocker!
- 5. Last year I got on the wrong train home and ended up in Crewe!

Please find or email Mr M with your answers.

There is a prize for the first person from each year group with the correct answer. Watch this space to find out more about our staff here at NJS.

#### **Pantomime**

This year we are going to watch "Jack and the Beanstalk" at the Grand Theatre, Wolverhampton.

Year 5/6 will be attending on Wednesday 3rd Jan.

Year 3/4 will be attending on Thursday 4th Jan.

Please see the letter for more information.

**Christmas Parties** 

#### **ABSENCE**

At NJS each year group hold a party for the children to celebrate Christmas. Children will be invited to bring their own party food, to share with others, at the party. Each year group will have a signup sheet outside one of the classrooms, so we do not receive too much food. Please sign up to a food item when these lists

from 1.30-3.30pm The party dates are as follows: Year 3 – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December Year 4 – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December

appear. Parties are during the school day

Year 5 - Friday 15th December Year 6 - Friday 8th December

Victorian Block.

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

**Lost Property** 

Parents please check the names in

children have lost their uniform and

have checked lost property and their

classrooms, but we have no signs of

Lost property is located in the Yr3

your child's uniforms. Some

it, even though it is named.

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.

messages from

parents whose

children have

Please all check

your child's hair

appropriately.

Whilst it is not

school policy,

we recommend

that all girls try

to have their

hair tied up.

had a few

head lice.

and treat

**Head lice Woodwind Lessons** Please be aware that we have

#### Ever thought about playing

the Saxophone, the clarinet, the recorder or the flute? Now is your chance. Mr Gray, our woodwind teacher, has vacancies for pupils wishing to learn.

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

Church Services at St. Nicholas' Church Parents are reminded that for church services children

they will be met by their class teacher. Children will then be walked back to school by school staff members.

are to go directly to church on the given dates. Children

are to arrive at church, no earlier than 8.50am, where

Yr 5/6 Carol Concert: Monday 11th December at 7pm

Yr 5/6 Concert Practice: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December at

End of term Whole School Worship: Wednesday

13th December at 8.50am

**HOUSE POINTS** 

1st Wright

2<sup>nd</sup> Owen

3<sup>rd</sup> Jebb

4th Darwin

on the following Monday and they

will also have access to the team

games and activity area on the

The winners will have lunch first

For last week:

small vard.

**Senior Citizens** This year's Senior Citizens Christmas

Tea Party is on Wednesday 6th December in the school hall. The tea party starts at 2pm and aims to be finished at approximately 3.15pm. All senior citizens are welcome. Please pass on details to a senior citizen you think would like to attend. Come along for free entertainment, refreshments and a raffle!

#### **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 <u>Summer</u>

Spring

02/02/18 - 4R09/02/18 - 6J02/03/18 - 3J

16/03/18 - 5H

4F - 24/05/18 3k - 08/06/186S - 06/07/18

5M - 20/07/18

Attendance Well done to class

5L who achieved 99.26% attendance. They will receive an extra ten minutes

next week.

**Healthy Lunchboxes and Break-time Snacks** 

Please can we remind you that we promote healthy eating at NJS. Please encourage healthy eating options for

both break times and lunchtimes. Please avoid fizzy drinks and sweets.

## Monday 27th

Yr 3/4 Football - NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR

Clubs List for the week commencing; Mon 27th Nov:

Netball - NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR

01952 255205 or

0777391065

#### Tuesday 28th Microsoft – 3.30-4.30pm in the ICT suite with Mr Parker (last one Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>

- Yr 5/6 Netball Team NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Girls Football NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR

## Wednesday 29th

- Yr 6 Maths NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Cooking 3.30-5pm in the children's kitchen with Mrs Sisson and Mrs Jukes (signed up children only) (this will be the last one)
- Mindfulness 3.30-4.30pm in the hall with Miss Hardy (last one Thursday 6th
- Yr 5/6 DIY NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR

## Thursday 30th

- Drama NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Girls Coding 3.30-4.30 in the ICT suite with Mr B (this will be the last one)
- Tag Rugby NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR

## Friday 1st

- Yr 5/6 Football NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Dance 3.30-4.15pm in the hall with Miss Payne (last one Fri 1st Dec)

## **Safeguarding**

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

## **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:

Zac Adams, Abbey Ruston, Sophie Leigh West, Iona Richardson, Zuzanna Zasacka,

Toby Clegg, Emily Pilling, Noah Owen, Chris Ross, Erin Stretton, Evie Lilley, Jacob Hill, Edward Wall, Francesca Pryce, Leighton Matthews, Lilly Norris Moore, Caden Voyce, Jacob Cooper, Evie Simms, Leighton Frame,

Thomas Frost & Ellie Gray.. Miss Payne's Sports Person of the

Poppy Vogel, Caitlyn Atkinson,

Maria Zasacka, Harry Lough,

Week. Selected from Sports Clubs and PE

Marshall Smout - 3P

Well done, from all at NJS.