

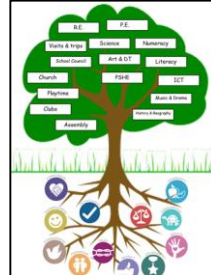


NJS Weekly News

"Learning to make a difference"

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Up Coming Dates:

November

Friday 3rd – 4S Class assembly

Friday 3rd – PTA cake stall

Wednesday 8th – Year 6

Open Lunch from 11am

Friday 10th – 6EJ Class assembly

Monday 13th – Friday 17th – Anti-Bullying Week

Friday 17th – Children in Need

Friday 17th – 5L Class assembly

Monday 20th – Friday 24th – Road Safety Week

Friday 24th – Mufti for a jar

December

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 1.30-3.30pm

Monday 11th – Years 5&6 to Church for 8.50am (Performance Practice)

Monday 11th - Year 3 Christmas Party 1.30-.3.30pm

Monday 11th – Year 5&6 Performance at Church; 7pm

Tuesday 12th - Year 3 Christmas Performance 2pm and 6pm

Wednesday 13th – Christmas Dinner

Thursday 14th – Church for 8.50am

Thursday 14th - Year 4 Christmas Party 1.30-.3.30pm

Friday 15th - Year 5 Christmas Party 1.30-.3.30pm

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

I hope everyone had a lovely half term 😊 Thank you and well done to all of the children who completed their entries for the 'thing I would change about the world' competition; they are very inspiring.

Huge congratulations to NJS tag rugby and football teams who achieved great success in their games this week. The tag rugby team won the Newport league and are through to the next stage. NJS footballers are now through to the quarter finals of the Telford and Wrekin championship. Well done NJS!

As many of you are aware Rector Steve Mitchell is retiring in early December. As a school we will be marking his retirement with an assembly in school on the 29th November at 9am, parents are welcome to join us. We will also be holding a collection on behalf of staff, governors, parents and children to thank the Rector. If you wish to contribute please send your contribution to the school office.

SENDCo Surgery

This is for any parents with children on SENDCo register. They are welcome to meet Miss Sherry for a chat and a cuppa in 6S from 1.30pm on Tuesday 7th November.

Newport Food Bank have written to us to thank us for the recent donations we made at our Harvest Festival. They are very grateful for the support we have given to people in need in our local area.

Children in Need

Is on Friday 17th November and for £1 children can come into school dressed in mufti or as a Superhero. Pudsey will also be making an appearance during the day and design competition winners will be announced.

Christmas Performances

Christmas performances will be performed to parents on:

Yr 3 – Tuesday 12th December 2pm and 6pm in the School Hall.

Yr 4 – Thursday 7th December 2pm and 6pm in the School Hall.

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

Poppies

Year 6 children will be selling poppies, for a donation, on the yard at break times. Children will need to take their donations out at break times. Some poppy items have a specific value, children may need to look at the items first to purchase them the following day.

Bags2school bags are coming home in your children's bags. It is a great opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys. Please note bedding, curtains, and household linen cannot be accepted (refer to www.bag2school.com for details). We are combining once again with the Infant school so you can drop your bags off to the Juniors on the 15th or 16th Nov or straight to the Infants.

PE and Swimming Times for Autumn 2nd Half Term (Oct-Dec)

PE and Swimming kit will be needed by the specific children, on the following days.

Yr 3 – Tuesday: Swimming

Thursday: PE

Yr 4 – Tuesday : PE

Thursday: PE 4S

Friday: PE 4F and 4R

Yr 5 – Monday: Swimming

Wednesday: PE 5M

Friday: PE 5H and 5L

Yr 6 – Monday: PE

Wednesday: PE

Mrs M's Home Challenge!

Talk to an older family member about your family's history. Could you use this information to make a family tree?

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.

Safeguarding

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

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

Getting to know staff at NJS

The correct answer to last weeks was Mrs Sisson, who is a Year 4 teacher.

Which member of staff is this...

1. I have taught at NJS since 1992!
2. I once worked as a greenkeeper on a golf course.
3. I met Stephen Hawkins at the Science museum in London.
4. I have swam with dolphins in Dubai.
5. I was Mickey Mouse for a summer in Disneyland.

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.

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.

Thank you to all that attended the first meeting – our next meeting will be in the Spring Term.

Lost Property

Parents please check the names in your child's uniforms. Some children have lost their uniform and have checked lost property and their classrooms, but we have no signs of it, even though it is named.

Lost property is located in the Yr3 Victorian Block.

Attendance

Well done to class

5L who achieved **98.52%** 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 8th November – Year 6

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

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.

HOUSE POINTS

For last week:

1st Jebb
2nd Wright
3rd Owen
4th Darwin

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.

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

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

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.

Woodwind Lessons

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 01952 255205 or 0777391065

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 members.

Yr 5/6 Concert Practice: Monday 11th December at 8.50am

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

End of term Whole School Worship: Thursday 14th December at 8.50am

Clubs List for the week commencing; Mon 30th Oct:

*****DUE TO LIGHT CONDITION OUTDOOR CLUBS WILL FINISH AT 4.15pm & CLUBS WILL FINISH ON FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER*****

Monday 30th

- Yr 3/4 Football – 3.30-4.15pm on the school field with AFC Telford.
- Netball – 3.30-4.15pm on the small yard with Miss Payne & the Sports Apprentices

Tuesday 1st

- Microsoft – 3.30-4.30pm in the ICT suite with Mr Parker
- Yr 5/6 Netball Team – 3.30-4.15pm on the small yard with Miss Payne
- Girls Football – 3.30-4.15pm on the school field with Mrs Wood and Mrs Willets.

Wednesday 2nd

- 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 – 3.30-4.15pm in 5L with Mr Lawson.

Thursday 3rd

- 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 – 3.30-4.15pm on the field with Mr Parker & Mr Lawson

Friday 4th

- Yr 5/6 Football – 3.30-4.15pm on the field with Mr M and Mr J
- Dance – 3.30-4.15pm in the hall with Miss Payne

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!

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.

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.

This has been extended for a week due to computer glitches!