

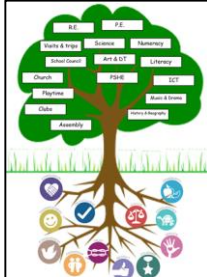


NJS Weekly News

"Learning to make a difference"

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Up Coming Dates:

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 – Church for all pupils; end of term service.

Wednesday 13th – Christmas Dinner

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

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

Friday 15th – Finish for End of Term @ 3.30pm

January

Tuesday 2nd - PD Day

Wednesday 3rd – Back to School.

Wednesday 3rd – Years 5/6 to the Panto, return 6pm

Thursday 4th – Year 3/4 to the Panto, return 6pm

Friday 26th – National Bring Your Pet to School Day

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

Many of you may be aware that we have had to close our activity area. Unfortunately we had our annual inspection on the equipment and due to the wood rotting in the ground we are now unable to use it.

We need to set about fundraising for a replacement! The PTA have very kindly agreed to support us with this and therefore I would like to encourage you to support them at tomorrow's Christmas Fair!! A new activity area would benefit all of our children and I really hope our school community can support the PTA over the coming months in fundraising for this cause.

Wednesday 13th December Christmas Lunch, Church and National Christmas Jumper Day!

On Wednesday 13th 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.

Guardians of Safety (GoS) Newsletter Report.

Stay Bright, Stay Safe!

Now that it is dark, we must stay bright in our local area. If possible try to dress brightly, or wear reflective clothing when out and about at night and first thing in a morning. Make sure passing vehicles can see you, thinking about what you learnt during road safety week recently.

Cameron and Henry - GoS

Getting to know staff at NJS

The correct answer to last weeks was Mrs Thomas, who is a TA and children's mentor, for classes and children from across Year 5. Which member of staff is this...

1. I have been at NJS since 1961.
2. I am a lay minister at St Andrew's church.
3. I used to play principle boy in Pantomimes.
4. I enjoy West End musicals.
5. I was once the President of the WI.

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.

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:
Lauren B in 4F, won Player of the week at Junior Badminton on Saturday for her overhead shot. She got to bring the trophy home for a week as well! Well done Lauren.

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 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.

Years 4 are performing at 2pm and 6pm on the 7th December and Year 3 at 2pm and 6pm on the 12th December. All children are required to return to school for the evening performance and class teachers will give you more information about this.

Please note that for the afternoon performances we will only be able to open the gates at 1.40pm at the earliest so please don't arrive too early!

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.

Mrs M's Home Challenge!

Help out when your parents are making dinner. Offer to do the sandwiches for tomorrows lunch etc.

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.

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.

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.

HOUSE POINTS

For last week:

1st Jebb

2nd Wright

3rd Darwin

4th Owen

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.

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!

Christmas Parties

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 sign up sheet outside one of the classrooms, so we do not receive too much food. Please sign up to a food item when these lists appear. Parties are during the school day from 1.30-3.30pm The party dates are as follows:

Year 3 – Monday 11th December

Year 4 – Thursday 14th December

Year 5 – Friday 15th December

Year 6 – Friday 8th December

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.

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:

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: Wednesday 13th December at 8.50am

Attendance

Well done to class

5L who achieved **99.3%** (again) 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.

Clubs List for the week commencing; Mon 4th Dec:

Monday 4th

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

Tuesday 5th

- Microsoft – 3.30-4.30pm in the ICT suite with Mr Parker (last one today)
- Yr 5/6 Netball Team – NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Girls Football – NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR

Wednesday 6th

- Yr 6 Maths – NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Cooking – NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Mindfulness – 3.30-4.30pm in the hall with Miss Hardy (last one today)
- Yr 5/6 DIY – NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR

Thursday 7th

- Drama – NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Girls Coding – NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Tag Rugby – NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR

Friday 8th

- Yr 5/6 Football – NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR
- Dance – NOT ON UNTIL THE NEW YEAR

Safeguarding

<http://www.newportjuniorsool.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: Ellie Mae Campbell, Liam Dix, Ronnie Peate, Amelia Fowler, Maria Deleanu, Marshall Smout, Archie Harwood, Kayleigh Smith, Angel Renhard, Kara Gilbertson, Lauren Baseley, Seb Curbishley, Hannah Crewe, Nathan Evans, Keira Brotherton, Patricia Corbishley, Kieran Pitchford, Georgina Hall, Kelsey Prince, Jack Prince, Alfie Hodson and Sophie Bowen Thompson 6EJ – Double next week.

Miss Payne's Sports Person of the Week.

Selected from Sports Clubs and PE lessons is

Sophie-Leigh West 6EJ

Well done, from all at NJS.

Christmas Post-Boxes

Christmas post boxes have now arrived in school. Children are welcomed to send cards to their friends and staff members by posting them in the boxes at the start of each day. This is an excellent opportunity for the children to write for a purpose. Please make sure that they write both the child's name who is receiving the card and the class that they are in on the envelope.