



NJS Weekly News

"Learning to make a difference"

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Up Coming Dates:

January

Tuesday 16th – Church at 8.50am.

Tuesday 16th – Year 3 Open Lunch; Lesson from 11am, Lunch from 12pm.

Tuesday 23rd - Year 4 Open Lunch; Lesson from 11am, Lunch from 12pm.

Thursday 25th - Year 5 Open Lunch; Lesson from 11am, Lunch from 12pm.

Friday 26th – National Bring Your Pet to School Day

Friday 26th – Choir at LG Arena

February

Friday 2nd – 4R Class assembly

Friday 2nd – PTA cake stall

Monday 5th – Friday 9th – Money Week

Tuesday 6th – Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 7th – PTA Disco

Friday 9th – 6J Class assembly

Monday 12th – Friday 16th – Raising Aspirations Week

Wednesday 14th – Valentines themed lunch

Friday 16th – Raising Aspirations Spring Fair, Chinese New Year themed lunch, Finish for half term @ 3.30pm

Monday 26th – Children back to School

Monday 26th – Friday 2nd

March – Book Week

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

I hope the children are settling well into the new term. In assembly this week we marked 100 years since women in the UK had the right to vote. We used the suffragettes as role models for perseverance which is the value we are focusing upon this term.

Remember if you need to contact a teacher to discuss your child please do so through the school office, on the yard at the end of the day or through the home link book. Staff are always happy to discuss things with you.

Dinner Arrears Reminder

Please be reminded that once you are £6.30 (3 meals) in arrears you will be contacted. If you do not clear the arrears then your child will receive an emergency meal until we have communication from you. If you have any concerns that balances are not accurate please do inform us immediately. If you require support for payment for school meals please look into applying for Free School Meals.

Getting to know staff at NJS

The correct answer to last weeks was Mrs Follos, who is a year 4 teacher and DT coordinator. She has been at NJS for 5 Years.

Which member of staff is this...

1. I have run the London marathon 5 times.
2. I love chocolate, especially Galaxy and Maltesers.
3. I have lived in Newport all my life, except for the 4 Years I was at Cambridge University.
4. I love TV soaps.
5. I studied history at University and have an extensive knowledge of The Tudors.

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:

Olivia Buckland has been award seasons best performance for Under 11's female in the Heart Of England Athletics League. She won 2/3 of the competitions, which were in Kettering, Redditch and Telford. She threw the furthest distance overall out of all three competitions.

Matthew Bowen got student of the month at taekwondo for December 2017. He also passed his taekwondo grading and is now a green/blue stripe belt.

Zac Downes has been selected for the District U11 cricket squad for the 2018 season.

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.

Beginning of Term Worship: Tuesday 16th January

End of Term Worship: Tuesday 27th March

OPEN LUNCHES

You will be receiving a letter next week inviting you to this term's 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:

Tuesday 16th January - Year 3

Tuesday 23rd January – Year 4

Thursday 25th January – Year 6

Tuesday 27th February – Year 5

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

There will be NO GRAB and GOs on these days.

A Word from GoS

The Guardians of Safety say it is important to share a worry and not carry it around inside! If you have a worry remember you can talk to any adult in school about it or to us, the Guardians of Safety! If you don't feel confident enough to speak up about your worry why not try our new Worry Boxes as a place to put you worry!

Mrs M's Home Challenge!

Brain Break – Play a game of "Would You Rather?"

Writing Prompt – My amazing superpower would be...

Earth Help – Take a reusable bag when you go shopping, don't buy plastic!

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.

A Word from School Council

School council have launched a new campaign this week – 'Be Unified!' .They are encouraging all NJS children to follow the uniform rules so that we create a good impression both in school and out. Children highlighted items that should not be worn in school such as jewellery, large coloured Jo Jo bows and incorrect coloured socks. Posters are being put up around school and 5 children consistently following uniform rules will be chosen for a school council sticker award, which they will receive in celebration assembly on a Thursday afternoon. Details of correct school uniform can be found on the school website.

Severe Weather

As Winter is upon us a reminder about who to contact in the event of severe weather. To find out about school closures:

- Listen to BBC Radio Shropshire
- Visit the school website

Or access this website:

<http://apps.telford.gov.uk/sno/wline>

Please do not ring school, keep this line clear for emergency use only.

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.

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

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 Darwin
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.

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

Summer

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

Attendance

Well done to class

3P who achieved **99.6%** attendance.
They will receive an extra ten minutes next week.

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:
Toby Collins, Ethan Rich, Rocco Broome, Alfie Davies, Poppy Berry, Rhianna Duff, Aimee Naylor, Harrison Smelius, Elizabeth Simms, Nolan Hull, Kaci Gilbertson, William Knox, Eve Meredith, Alice Roddy, Isabella Lynas, James Wilkinson, Alfie Beards Spittle, Archie Gamble, Jack Appleby, Spike Robinson, Leah Evans and Georgia Abboh.
6S – Double next week.

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.

Dogs – Please be reminded that dogs are not allowed on our school premises.

Uniform - Please name **all** items of clothing, coats, bags, water bottles, trainer, shoes etc. We can only return lost property if it is named.

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.

Safeguarding

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

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

Miss Payne's Sports Person of the Week.

Selected from Sports Clubs and PE lessons is

Lucas Meadows 6S

Well done, from all at NJS.

Clubs List for the week commencing; Mon 15th Jan 2018

- **Monday 15th** – Worship Club; 12.30-1pm in the School library with Mrs M.
- **Tuesday 16th** – Yr 6 Writing; 3.30-4.30pm in 6S with Miss Sherry (selected ch only)
Please collect your child from the school hall.
- **Wednesday 17th** - Cooking Club; Yr 5 Selected children 3.30-5pm in the children's kitchen, with Mrs Sisson and Mrs Jukes.
 - Yr 6 Maths; 3.30-4.30pm in 6J with Mr J (selected ch only)
Please collect your ch from Mr J's outside door.
- **Thursday 18th** – School Council; in 4F, 10.30-10.50am with Mrs Folloos.
 - Drama; in the hall, 3.30 – 4.30pm with Mrs Green
- **Friday 19th** – Guardians of Safety; in Mr R's office, 12.30-1pm with Mr R.
 - Eco; 12.30-1pm in the Yr 5 outside area with Mrs Green.
- **Tuesday – Friday Lunchtime**; Miss Payne will be running a Yr 5/6 Cricket Club; anybody interested, please bring along trainers and meet her on the small yard, after lunch, at 12.30pm.
- **Watch this space for clubs over the next few weeks.**
- **Details of the clubs happening this term have come home this week. This also contained a sign up sheet for the clubs. Please send these back to school by Friday 19th Jan so we can sort out club registers.**