



NJS Weekly News

"Learning to make a difference"

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Up Coming Dates:

January

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

Wednesday 24th - Yr 4 Manor Adventure residential meeting for parents.

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

Monday 29th - Yr 5 Arthog residential meeting for parents.

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

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

I have been excited by the launch of the PTA coin challenge this week. Children may bring in any British coins and place them in the collection box in their classroom. Classes will be judged on; 1) the longest line of coins, 2) the greatest weight of coins & 3) the highest value of coins. All money raised will go towards replacement of our activity area and new playtime equipment. Please support our PTA where you can. Let the competition commence!

SENDCo Surgery

Was due on Wednesday 24th January is now cancelled and is rearranged for Friday 2nd February at 3.30pm in 6S.

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 week's was Mrs Moody, our Head Teacher, who has been at NJS for 13 years and our head since Christmas 2016.

Which member of staff is this...

1. I am young enough to have been taught by both Mr Rotherham and Mr Butler.
2. I can type the alphabet in under 4 seconds.
3. I enjoy playing football, mixed martial arts and playing squash.
4. I am an avid watcher of crime documentaries.
5. I consider myself as a semi-professional BBQ-er.

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:

Holly Appleby 3J who got awarded the star player at her Activ8 football training session on Monday night - she was really proud of herself.

Yr 5 Residential - Arthog

Parents meeting 3.30-4pm in the school hall on Monday 29th January.

At this meeting you will receive timings, kit lists and information about our residential.

Yr 4 Residential – Manor Adventure

Parents meeting 3.30-4pm in the school hall on Wednesday 24th January.

At this meeting you will receive timings, kit lists and information about our residential.

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 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.

Mrs M's Home Challenge!

Brain Break – Learn a tongue twister.

Writing Prompt – Three things I would buy if I won the lottery....Why?

Earth Help – Take an extra look at your rubbish – could you recycle more?

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.

We have been alerted that there is an app called 'IMVU' which is a social media app that allows the user to create an 'avatar' and speak to strangers. It also pinpoints your location so that whoever you are speaking to can see where you are. This is what the app looks like:



We would recommend that your children do not use this app.

A Word from GoS

If you have a cold:

Blow it and Throw it!

Then wash your hands and go and have some fun!

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.

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 Darwin

2nd Owen

3rd Jebb

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 FRIDAYS 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

3B who achieved **97.93%** 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: Alfie Edwards, Hannah Anslow, Rhys Plant, Katie Woodman, Jack Mansell, Kieron Tonks, Tyler Plant, Xander Law, Alfie Hilliar, Charlie Peacock, Alekx Kolmer, Brooke Wainwright, Martha Sheridan, Nia Williams, Charlie Pessoa, Allisha Tucker, Jackie Chen, Amiee Flynn, Gracie Murphy, Jack Yates, Jack Appleby, Jess Morris, Ella Burton & Alfie Hodson.

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.

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

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

Karol Kreft 6EJ

Well done, from all at NJS.

Clubs List for the week commencing; Mon 22th Jan 2018

- **Monday 22th** – Worship Club; 12.30-1pm in the School library with Mrs M.
Yr 6 Reading Club; 12.30-1pm in 6EJ with Miss Jones.
Non-Swimmers; 12-12.30pm in the pool with Steph.
- **Tuesday 23rd** – Yr 6 Writing; NOT ON THIS WEEK
Choir; 12.30-1pm in the library with Mrs Green
- **Wednesday 24th** - 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 25th** – School Council; in 4F, 10.30-10.50am with Mrs Folloos.
- Drama; in the hall, 3.30 – 4.30pm with Mrs Green
- Boys Coding Club; 3.30-4.30pm with Mr B – children have been selected and told individually.
- **Friday 26th** – 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.
- Mindfulness; 3.30 – 4.30pm in the hall with Miss Hardy.
- **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.