



# NJS Weekly News

"Learning to make a difference"

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## Up Coming Dates:

### February

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4R Class assembly

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – PTA cake stall

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – Money Week

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> – PTA Disco

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – 6J Class assembly

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> – Raising Aspirations Week

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Valentines themed lunch

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

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Children back to School

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Book Week

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> - Year 5 Open Lunch; Lesson from 11am, Lunch from 12pm.

### March

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> – World Book Day; Dress as our favourite book character, World Book Day themed lunch

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – Year 5 Residential to Arthog

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – PTA cake stall  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – 3J Class assembly

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> – Shakespeare Week

## HALF TERM

Please remember we BREAK UP on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February at 3.30pm and children RETURN to school on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 8.50am.

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

I was delighted to hear about the success of our first 'Paws, Claws and Whiskers' day. The children had a great time and it was lovely to hear of their confidence and enthusiasm when talking about their pets. Thank you to all of the parents who came in on the day, to staff who facilitated the day and to Mr Rotherham for organising. Well done to our extensive choir who performed at the LG arena on Friday. The staff team that accompanied them were extremely proud of their behaviour and enthusiasm for the event. Thank you again to parents who supported, staff who accompanied and Mrs Green for organising. Huge success for our orienteering teams in a competition at Longford Hall this week, where well over 100 teams competed on a timed course. The top four teams go through to the Shropshire Games and three of our teams were in the top four! We are very proud of you all.

### 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 me, Mr M, I am a Year 5 teacher, who have taught at NJS for 14 years. I am a member of the SLT with responsibilities for PE and Parents and the community. Which member of staff is this...

1. I love trampolining.
2. I have three children and 4 beautiful grand children.
3. I was born in London and lived in Hertfordshire.
4. I am a qualified nursery nurse.
5. I love to sing, but am tone deaf.

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.

### Valentines Lunch 14/02/18

Burger or Hot Dogs or Vegi Burgers  
With sweetcorn/beans and chips  
Followed by Chocolate cupcakes with pink icing.

### PTA Disco

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February  
3.30-5pm  
Open to all year groups.  
£1 entry  
Don't forget money for treats!

### Safeguarding

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

### 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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. Thank you to all that have attended open lunches so far this term. The percentage of children who had an adult for open lunch are:

Yr 3 – 70%  
Yr 4 – 69%  
Yr 6 – 41%

### SENDCo Surgery

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

### Mrs M's Home Challenge!

**Brain Break** – Play a game of would you rather.

**Writing Prompt** – Write an "I'm sorry" letter, from a villains perspective.

**Earth Help** – If you see any litter in your local park – help to clear it up.

Take a photo of you completing the challenge and email it to Mrs Moody! [nicola.moody@taw.org.uk](mailto: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 GoS

We want to give a notice about walking to school safely. Firstly, make sure to check for cars before crossing the road, following the code stop, look and listen. When coaches, lorries and cars are coming along the road, make sure you stay in from the roadside – this will also help you to stay safe!

Remember  
STOP, LOOK & LISTEN

### Raising Aspirations Fair Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2.30-3.30pm

We aim to raise children's awareness for their future prospects. During this week classes will be forming businesses to design and make a product for sale. The aim is for the class to make a profit from a £50 budget. Parents and friends are invited into school from 2.30pm to purchase the products the children have made. Good luck to all the classes.

Miss Payne's Sports Person of the Week.  
Selected from Sports Clubs and PE Lessons is

**Joseph Cooper 4S**

Well done, from all at NJS.

### 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:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Jebb
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Owen
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Darwin
- 4<sup>th</sup> 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

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

### 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.

### Attendance

Well done to class

**3B** who achieved **98.47%** attendance.

They will receive an extra ten minutes next week.

### 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](mailto:ben.moody@taw.org.uk)

This weeks successful students are: **Gracie Murphy** has recently completed the Royal Life Saving Society UK Rookie Life Guarding Gold Award, this includes water safety and life-saving skills.

### Head-teacher Awards

Well done to all the following children, who received Head Teacher's awards this week. These children got to sit on the top table on Monday lunchtime and have lunch with Mrs M. Congratulations to: Caitlyn Atkinson, Lana Fielding, Megan Lock, Maria Deleanu, Skye Vogel, Layla 3J, Tarik El-Gizawy, Rebecca Dixon, Ethan Garvey, James Hogan, Mya Dawson, Harvey Peate, Pawel Dolowyn, Jacob Cooper, Colby Kevan, Grace Gale, Noah Howard-Nation, Daniel Shelley, Callum Johnson, Matthew Bowen, Callum Nelson, Karol Kreft, Maddie Davies and William Beards-Spittle.

### Clubs List for the week commencing; Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018

- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup>** – 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.
  - Fitness Club; 3.30-4.15pm on the small yard with the apprentices.
  - Dance club; 3.30-4.30pm in the school hall with Miss Payne
- **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>** – Yr 6 Writing; 3.30-4.30pm in 6S with Miss Sherry
  - Choir; 12.30-1pm in the library with Mrs Green
  - Girls Football; 3.30-4.15pm on the field with Mrs Wood.
  - Musical Theatre; 3.30-4.30pm in the school hall with Miss' J & P
- **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>** – NO CLUBS ON DUE TO THE DISCO
- **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>** – School Council; in 4F, 10.30-10.50am with Mrs Follos.
  - 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.
  - Tag Rugby; 3.30-4.15pm on the school field with Mr P and Miss P
- **Friday 9<sup>th</sup>** – 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.
  - Yr 5/6 Football Club; 3.30-4.15pm on the field with Mr M and Mr J
- **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.