



NJS Weekly News

"Learning to make a difference"

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Up Coming Dates:

March

Monday 5th – Friday 9th – Year 5 Residential to Arthog

Friday 9th – PTA cake stall

Friday 9th – 3J Class assembly

Monday 12th – Friday 16th – Shakespeare Week

Monday 12th – Wednesday 14th – Year 4 Residential to Manor Adventure

Friday 16th – 5H Class assembly

Monday 19th – Year 5&6 Parents Afternoon and Evening

Tuesday 20th – Year 3&4 Parents Afternoon and Evening

Thursday 22nd –

Friday 23rd – Year 3 Residential to the

Pioneer Centre

Friday 23rd – Mufti for an egg

Friday 23rd – Easter Bingo

Tuesday 27th – Church at 8.50am

Thursday 29th – NJS' Music Day, Easter themed lunch, Finish for End of Term @ 3.30pm

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

I'd just like to thank everyone again for their support with snow days. It is never an easy decision and we can only follow the guidance issued by Telford and Wrekin Council.

Please save your costumes...we will celebrate NJS Book Day on Thursday 15th March. This is the first date the whole school will be together after the Arthog and Manor Adventure residential visits.

I was delighted to give the children the news last week that the Governing Body and PTA have agreed the work on the new Activity Area to commence on the 16th April; it will take two weeks to complete and the children will be able to use it for the remainder of the Summer term. This is only possible due to the amazing fundraising by the PTA and we are very grateful to them and to you for supporting them.

Swimming

There will be no swimming for Years 3 and 5 this week due to a fault with the pool – sorry for any inconvenience.

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.

End of Term Worship: Tuesday 27th March

Book Week; Message from Mrs Stanley...

A huge well done to the year 5 librarians who shared their book reviews with everyone in assembly this week.

Thank you to Sarah Griffiths, a local author who came into school to read her book with the children and to tell them how she became an author.

The children were all given an order form for Sarah's book which costs £8, which must be payable in cash by Friday 9th March. Sarah will write a dedication in the front of the book if required, there is a section on the form for you to complete accordingly.

The children have also been given their world book day vouchers. Our book fair will be taking place from Monday 19th March to Thursday 22nd in the school library from 3.30pm.

Summer bulb request!

We would like to brighten our school grounds for the Summer months and get some good use out of our greenhouse. If you can donate any bulbs, bedding plants or seeds we would be very grateful (good offers in B&M on bulbs).

A Word from GoS

Guardians of Safety wish everyone a safe half term. Whether you are at home or going away for half term remember to make safe choices.

Remember to play safe and keep safe!

Yr 3 Residential – Pioneer Centre

Medical forms and kit lists have been sent home with your child today – please can Mr Moody receive the medical form back by Friday 2nd March.

During the week before our residential you will receive more information about timings etc for our trip.

Lunchtime Thursday 17th May

As you will be aware the royal wedding will be on Saturday 19th May, to celebrate this on the 17th May we would like school meals to celebrate this. For every child that has a school meal on that day, they will receive a cardboard crown.

Safeguarding

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

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

2018-2019 term dates can be found on our website:
<http://www.newportjuniorsschool.org.uk/termdates.php>

Mrs M's Home Challenge!

Brain Break – Play a clap pattern game.

Writing Prompt – One fictional character I wish were real is...

Earth Help – Look into alternative energy, like solar.

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.

OPEN LUNCHES

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%

Yr 5 – 53%

Missing Coat

Callum is 6S is missing a plain black with hood and some white writing. Please check you've not got it by mistake!

Yr 4 Residential – Manor Adventure

Parents are reminded that any missing medical forms need sending into school. A reminder letter will be coming home with the children this week – as Mr M is away at Arthog, please contact Mrs M if you have any queries etc.

Yr 5 Residential – Arthog

Timings:

9.10am depart NJS on Monday 5th March.

Either 3 or 3.45pm return on Friday 9th March

Please keep an eye on emails, text message on Friday for a more precise time.

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 Owen

2nd Wright

3rd Jebb

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 FRIDAYS and usually start at 2.50pm. Dates for this school year are:

Spring

09/03/18 – 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.

Attendance

Well done to class

6EJ 98.61%

They will receive an extra ten minutes next week.

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.

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.

Miss Payne's Sports Person of the Week.

Selected from Sports Clubs and PE lessons is

NJS Cricket Team

Well done, from all at NJS.

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:
Olivia Negus, Amelia Lewis, William Gibson, Jake Garrett, Mack Ward, Nancy Gilbert, Lauren McMillan, Chebsey Holt, Addison Neilan, Sam Cole, Lewis Bodkin, Leo Taylor, Poppy Sullivan, Ethan brennan, Adrianna Parkinson, Patricia Corbishley, Lilly Smith, Zac Downes, Byron Jones, Layla Young, Spheie-Leigh West, Zach Adams, Jacob Cooper and Abbie Sidaway.

Clubs List for the week commencing; Mon 5th March 2018

- **Monday 26th** – Worship Club; NOT ON THIS WEEK
 - Yr 6 Reading Club; NOT ON THIS WEEK
 - Non-Swimmers; NOT ON THIS WEEK
 - Fitness Club; 3.30-4.30pm on the small yard with the apprentices.
 - Dance club; NOT ON THIS WEEK
- **Tuesday 27th** – Yr 6 Writing; NOT ON THIS WEEK
 - Choir; 12.30-1pm in the library with Mrs Green
 - Girls Football; 3.30-4.30pm on the field with Mrs Wood.
 - Musical Theatre; NOT ON THIS WEEK
- **Wednesday 28th** - 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.
 - Cross-Country Club; NOT ON THIS WEEK
- **Thursday 1st** – 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; 3.30-4.30pm on the school field with Mr P and Miss P
- **Friday 2nd** – 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; NOT ON THIS WEEK
 - Yr 5/6 Football Club; on the field with Mr M and Mr J