



NJS Weekly News

"Learning to make a difference"

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Up Coming Dates:

May

Monday 7th – May Day Bank Holiday

Thursday 10th – Yr 4, Yellow and Green House Swimming Gala – Parents invited.

Friday 11th – PTA cake stall

Monday 14th – Friday 18th – Year 6 SATs Week

Thursday 17th – Royal Wedding Lunch

Thursday 17th – Yr 4, Red and Blue House Swimming Gala – Parents invited.

Friday 18th – Red, White and Blue Day, "A right Royal knees-up!"

Monday 21st – Crime Writing Day

Tuesday 22nd May – Yr 3 Open Lunch

Thursday 24th – Yr 5, Yellow and Green House Swimming Gala – Parents invited.

Friday 25th – 3P Class assembly

Friday 25th – NJS' Beliefs and Values Day

Friday 25th – Finish for the End of Half Term @ 3.30pm

June

Monday 4th – Children back to School

Monday 4th – Yr 3 to Birmingham

Monday 4th – Yr 4 Open Lunch

Wednesday 6th – Yr 6 Photo workshop for 30 chn.

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

We were delighted to welcome into school Mr Boardman (Chair of Governors), Mrs Stacey (PTA Chair) and Kristian Thomas (Olympic Gymnast) to open our new Activity Area on Wednesday!

The weather held for us to join together to celebrate the success of the school community in raising funds for our new play equipment. Kristian Thomas talked to the children about his career, showed them his 2012 Bronze Olympic medal and even showed off some of his gymnastic moves with some volunteers (me included!).

The children have all had their 'first go' on the play equipment and thoroughly enjoyed the grand opening. Thank you to everyone.

Enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend; it looks like we might get some sunshine ☀

Mrs M's Home Challenge!

Brain Break – Do a conga line!

Writing Prompt – Write about two enemies stuck together in a lift!

Classroom Goals – Make a new friend.

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.

Please can we politely request that when siblings are on the yard at drop off and collection time they wait sensibly on the yard. They should not be on the field or in the quiet areas.

School Dinner Menu

Please note that dinners have increased to £2.20 and adult open lunches are now £3.15.

Swimming Gala's

All year groups will be taking part in swimming galas this term.

Please see previous letter.

Parents and family of NJS children are asked to come to watch their children perform in their swimming gala for their house team. Please note that swimming galas are 2-3pm and children can be taken home after their gala.

SATs Week 14th-18th May

Reminder to Year 6 parents that all children **MUST** be in school the week beginning 14th May.

Ideally ALL children will attend breakfast club to enable them to prepare successfully for the assessments. Please inform your class teacher if you are unable to attend.

All Year 6 families should have received a letter from Mrs Moody with a reminder of the arrangements.

If you have any issues with Year 6 attendance, please contact the school office, speaking directly to Mrs Moody, Miss Sherry, Mr Jones or Miss Jones by 8.30am.

NJS Swimming Pool

Unfortunately the school swimming pool ceiling needs replacement and currently it is unsafe for us to swim. Contractors have been appointed to complete the work over the next few weeks and we will notify you when we can swim again.

Year 6 Alton Towers – 22/05/18

Please remember the children need to be in school, promptly at 8.30am. They will arrive back at NJS approximately 6.30pm.

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 the summer are:

3P – 25/05/18	4F – 07/06/18
6S – 06/07/18	5M – 20/07/18

SPORTS DAY!

Please remember children are asked to have a T-Shirt in their house colour for these events coming up in June!

Monday 25th June – Yr 3/4 Sports Day

Tuesday 26th June – Yr 5/6 Sports Day

Please note parents are invited into school from 1.30pm

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.

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.

Attendance

Well done to class

4F with 98.89%

They will receive an extra ten minutes next week.

Reminder about Mobile Phones

If children bring mobile phones into school, please can they make sure they are handed into the office or their class teacher at the start of the school day. Mobile phones are not to be kept in lockers for safety and security. At the end of the school day the children may then collect their mobile phone from the office or class teacher.

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.

Safeguarding

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

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

Term Dates!

Term dates are on our website for the next two academic years:

<http://www.newportjuniorshool.org.uk/termdates.php>

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.

Royal Wedding

On Thursday 17th May – Lunchtime;

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.

On Friday 18th May – Whole Day;

The Royal Wedding; Prince Harry and Meghan Markle.

NJS will celebrate this joyous occasion on **Friday 18th May**.

We would like all the children to come dressed in Red White and Blue.

We will finish the day with a 'Right Royal Knees Up' sing along in the hall of traditional British Songs!

Miss Payne's Sports Person of the Week.

Selected from Sports Clubs and PE lessons is The Yr3/4 Tennis team who finished 3rd in the T&W competition
Well done, from all at NJS.

PE Kits

In recent weeks we have had a number of children forgetting PE kits. During the remaining weeks, and whilst the weather is meant to improve, we would suggest that all children bring PE kits into school on a Monday and leave them for the week – taking them home on a Friday to be washed.

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:

Faye Bradley (3J) achieved third place/ bronze medal in her grade six regional gymnastics competition. She also got a rosette for first place on the bars. She exceeded all our and her own expectations and we are so proud of her! She passed her grade six with a distinction.

Pupil Librarians

Any Year 4 pupils who are interested in becoming a librarian for next year, please look for the posters around school giving details. Applications need to be given to me by Friday 15th June.
Thank you
Mrs Stanley x

Clubs List for the week commencing; Mon 7th May 2018

- **Monday 7th – NO CLUBS DUE TO BANK HOLIDAY**
- **Tuesday 8th** – Yr 6 Writing; 3.30-4.30pm in 6S with Miss Sherry
 - Choir; 12.30-1pm in the library with Mrs Green
 - Girls Football; 3.30-4.30pm on the field with Mrs Wood
 - Yr 5/6 Dance; 3.30-4.30pm in the hall with Miss Jones and Miss P
- **Wednesday 9th** - 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.
 - Athletics; NOT ON THIS WEEK
 - Yr 5/6 Mindfulness; NOT ON THIS WEEK
- **Thursday 10th** – School Council; in 4F, 10.30-10.50am with Mrs Follos.
 - Drama; in the hall, 3.30 – 4.30pm with Mrs Green
 - Tag Rugby; 3.30-4.30pm on the field with Mr Parker and Mr L
 - Computing Club; 3.30-4.30pm in the ICT suite; Mr Butler has contacted the children who should be attending.
- **Friday 11th** – 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.
 - Yr 5/6 Tennis; 3.30-4.30pm on the small yard with Mr M and Mr J

Due to cross country competition at Deer Park

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.

Half Term

Please remember school closes for a week, after school on Friday 25th May. Children need to be back in school on Monday 4th June.