



NJS Weekly News

"Learning to make a difference"

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Up Coming Dates:

May

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.

Thursday 7th – 4F Class assembly

Thursday 7th – Yr 6, Yellow and Green House Swimming Gala – Parents invited.

Friday 8th – Class photos

Saturday 9th – Newport Carnival

Mon 11th – Fri 15th – Healthy Eating Week

Monday 11th – Yr 3 to Chetwynd Park (transition with Yr 2)

From September the NJS Weekly News, in paper form, will be no longer. Please see Mrs M's letter which shows you how to sign up to receive the newsletter via website notifications.

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.

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

The Year 6 children should be incredibly proud of their efforts this week during their SATS. They all had a great attitude and tried their very best in the assessments which is exactly what we asked. We also know that they thoroughly enjoyed breakfast club and hope the arrangements we put into place to support them ensured the week ran smoothly for them. Please can I thank all of the parents for their support this week and staff team who ran breakfast club and supported the children.

Please ensure that you have read the letter regarding our new look website! It is still a 'developing' site but we hope it will develop our next steps in communication. Please make sure you have clicked on 'newsletter' and inputted your email address to ensure you receive alerts. Our aim is that by September the website will form our school newsletter with daily and weekly email summaries of school news. As well as this it will feed to our school Facebook page 'Newport CE Junior School'. Please respect that this page is not monitored and we will not respond to comments or messages: please use the usual forms of communication instead.

Mrs M's Home Challenge!

Brain Break – Play a game of telephone.

Writing Prompt – Write a story with three different endings.

Classroom Goals – Encourage others.

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.

Year 6 Alton Towers – 22/05/18

Just a reminder that Y6 will be visiting Alton Towers Theme Park on Tuesday 22nd May. Please ensure you are at school **no later** than 8.15am to allow us to depart at 8.45am; we are due to arrive back at school for around 6:30pm. Children should choose suitable clothing for the day (including waterproofs) and should bring with them a packed lunch, snacks and extra drinks for the day. Children are permitted to bring no more than £5.00 to spend in the gift shop. This trip serves as a 'well done' for all the hard work and effort the children (and staff) showed towards their SATs. We hope to have a wonderful day!

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 – 08/06/18 (please note change of date)

4F – 07/06/18

6S – 13/07/18

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

Beliefs and Values Day 25/5/18

On Friday 25th May, NJS will be holding our 'Beliefs & Values Day' This will be a chance for all children – whatever their faith – to learn about and celebrate differences in religion. This year the focus will be on 'religious buildings.' We hope the children enjoy the day and feel they have learned something new.

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.

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.

Can you help Mrs Moody?

Mrs M is looking to build some 'quiet' activities into lunchtimes and needs your help! If you have any old/unwanted board games or card games that you don't mind kindly donating to school please bring them to the school office. Thank you for your support.

School Dinner Menu

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

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 Darwin

2nd Jebb

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.

Attendance

Well done to class

3P with

99.66%

They will receive an extra ten minutes next week.

Term Dates!

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

<http://www.newport-juniorschool.org.uk/termdates.php>

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.

Following a couple of queries presented to school 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 right opposite the school gates!

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.

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.

Miss Payne's Sports Person of the Week.

Selected from Sports Clubs and PE lessons is:

Alisha Tucker 5L for Dance club choreography.

Well done, from all at NJS.

Safeguarding

<http://www.newport-juniorschool.org.uk/safeguarding.php>

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

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

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.

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.

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.

Open Evening; Wednesday 11th July – 3.30-6pm

You are invited into school to look at the fantastic work the children have done this year. This open evening also gives you chance to chat with class teachers about your child's report. This evening also gives you the opportunity to meet and speak with your child's new class teacher for September.

Yr 3 Birmingham Visit

The Year 3 children will be visiting the UK's second largest city; Birmingham. We will be studying our local geography to that of a city.

Upon arrival, the children will have the opportunity to see popular attractions such as; the rotunda, bull and the newly rebuilt library.

Children will be able to: soak up the city atmosphere, learn about the history of Birmingham and conduct a traffic survey too. We are very much looking forward to this trip as it will be an amazing opportunity to compare and contrast towns and city life.

Clubs List for the week commencing; Mon 21st May 2018

- **Monday 21st** – 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; NOT ON THIS WEEK
 - Yr 3/4 Tennis; 3.30-4.30pm on the small yard with the apprentices.
- **Tuesday 22nd** – 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
 - Yr 5/6 Dance; NOT ON THIS WEEK
- **Wednesday 23rd** - Cooking Club; Yr 5 Selected children 3.30-5pm in the children's kitchen, with Mrs Sisson and Mrs Jukes.
 - Athletics; 3.30-4.30pm in the field with Mr Lawson
 - Yr 5/6 Mindfulness; 3.30-4.30pm in the hall with Miss Hardy.
- **Thursday 24th** – School Council; in 4F, 10.30-10.50am with Mrs Follis.
 - Drama; in the hall, 3.30 – 4.30pm with Mrs Green.
 - Tag Rugby; 3.30-4.30pm on the field with Mr P and Mr L
 - Computing Club; NOT ON THIS WEEK.
- **Friday 25th** – 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; NOT ON THIS WEEK

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:

Denny Martin, Charlie Anslow ,
Ronnie Peate, Imogen Bickley,
Nancy Gilbert, Freddie Goulding,
Archie Harwood, Harrison Smelius,
Jackson Lucas, Willow Cowap-
Cerrone, Charlotte Lloyd, Ben
Warwick, Charlie Holt, Noah Owen,
Tristan Strydom, Isabelle Stacey,
Wei Chen, Amelie Clarke & ALL of
Yr 6 for making us and yourselves
proud all week!