



Newport Church of England Junior School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

'Time flies when you're having fun' so we must have had an amazing year! It has been a very successful time for NJS and we have a lot to look forward to.

Our incredibly committed staff have packed a tremendous amount into this academic year: four residential visits, numerous day trips, raising aspirations, charity work, Newport Carnival, Christmas performances, Messy Maths Day, Music Day, Book Week, outdoor learning at Chetwynd Deer Park, Peace Week, a range of performances, open lunches, sporting competitions and many, many other events... We are very grateful to you all for supporting us to make our rich, broad and balanced curriculum possible. As always I cannot thank the NJS staff team enough; they work incredibly hard for our children.

Thank you to the PTA who have continued to raise vital funds for school across this academic year. Special thanks to Mrs Stacey (Chair) and Mrs Ingman (Secretary) who now finish their roles on the PTA following many years on the committee. The Governing Body of Newport CE Junior School have continued to offer a balance of support and challenge to the running of our school.

In June we put ourselves forward for an assessment for Tribal Quality Mark for Standards of Teaching in Literacy and Numeracy. This involved a days inspection including interviews with parents, children, staff and leaders and observation of classroom practise. I am delighted to announce that we achieved the Tribal Quality Mark!



The report comments: 'staff devise and deliver rich tasks', 'opportunities are provided for high order thinking' and 'parents were very supportive of the school with teachers considered to be honest, open and accessible'. We are very proud of this success.

I am delighted with the responses collated from the recent parental survey:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Q1. My child is happy at this school.	70%	27%	3%	0%	0%
Q2. My child feels safe at this school	80%	20%	0%	0%	0%
Q3. My child makes good progress at this school	69%	31%	0%	0%	0%
Q4. My child is well looked after at this school	71%	29%	0%	0%	0%



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Q5. My child is taught well at this school	77%	23%	0%	0%	0%
Q6. My child receives appropriate homework for their age	53%	44%	3%	0%	0%
Q7. This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	50%	46%	3%	0%	1%
Q8. This school deals effectively with bullying	33%	35%	3%	0%	29%
Q9. This school is well led and managed	65%	34%	0%	0%	1%
Q10. This school responds well to any concerns I raise	56%	34%	8%	0%	2%
Q11. I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	51%	39%	8%	0%	2%
Q12. Would you recommend this school to another parent?	71%	28%	0%	0%	1%

Today our 92 Year 6 pupils will finish with us to begin their Secondary School journey. We will miss them and wish them the very best of luck for the future. This cohort and the staff could not have worked any harder to achieve their SAT results and are pleased with their success:

	Reading	SPAG	Writing	Maths	Reading, Writing and Maths
At National Standard +	85%	85%	85%	76%	68%
Above National	30%	36%	23%	26%	17%

Governors and I are delighted that there will be some investment in our school buildings over the Summer: we are having internal painting, carpeting in the Victorian block, new blinds, new pupil chairs, new display boards, additional pupil ipads and new CleverTouch teaching boards. The work on the extension, consisting of three new classrooms, is due to start at the middle/end of August with completion expected into the new year. This investment, in addition to the recent refurbishment of the swimming pool, is great for our children to ensure they have a good quality learning environment.

We return to school for the new academic year on Wednesday 4th September.

I would like to thank everyone once again for the support this year: NJS is a very special school family. Have a wonderful Summer creating lots of memories with your children.

Best wishes

Mrs N Moody
Head teacher