

Dear Parents, Carers & Children

Remembrance: All our children have been participating in activities related to Remembrance Day this week. Our Head Boy & Girl laid a wreath at the Memorial in Burscough and all other children went to the War Memorial in Newburgh and participated in a two minute silence as part of their learning about this significant day.

Odd Socks Day: to launch anti-bullying week in school we would like to invite everyone to wear odd socks to school/nursery on Monday to show and celebrate that we are all unique and diverse.

Children in Need Day: Our School Council have decided they would like to raise funds for Children in Need by holding a Danceathon. On Friday 19th November Children are invited to attend school in non uniform and will participate in a Zoom danceathon during the day for a suggested £1 donation. (Early Years children will be attending dressed as their favourite Nursery Rhyme character but will still participate in the Danceathon). Please send in cash donations only on the day.

Clubs and Groups: The extra curricular clubs and groups will begin again next week to complete the programme from last half term for those children already attending clubs.

Maths Virtual Workshop: To enable you to support children with their maths we have prepared some presentations. This week we are launching the Early Years Maths presentations. Please take a look at our [Maths Page](#) to see these to help understand how maths is taught in the Early Years.

PTA: I hope everyone enjoyed their donuts last week. Please see the last pages of our website or the [PTA Page](#) of the website for more opportunities to support the PTA this term.

Punctuality: A number of children are arriving late to school and I would like to remind you all that the school bell is rung promptly at 8.50am so children can be ready to start lessons at 9am. Late arrivals are disruptive to the whole class and I would ask for your assistance in ensuring children arrive to school on time and ready to learn.

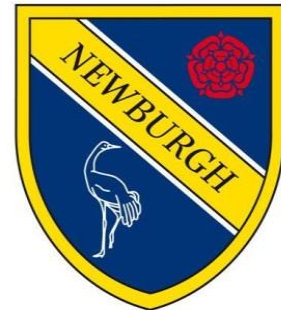
Dinners: Thank you to everyone who has ordered their school meal choices in the last week. Your assistance is appreciated.

Warmest Regards,



Times Tables Rock Stars Leaderboard:-

Year 3 – Rory
Year 4 – Lottie
Year 5 – Charlie
Year 6 – Albie



Eco Council Meeting

Our first Eco Council was held on Tuesday and Councillors were given the opportunity to raise those issues that are important to them and their classmates. Items discussed at the meeting were:-

- The development of a Spiritual Garden (our PTA are currently raising funds for this – see our PTA page for more information). Our children would like to see a seating area, bird bath & feeders, wooden wind chime, dream catchers wild flowers, sun dial, white pebble path and possibly a tree with produce (i.e. a plum tree) in this area.
- Litter picking in the local area.
- Improving recycling including petitioning West Lancashire Borough Council as they currently do not offer recycling facilities to schools.
- Using less plastic.
- Saving electricity.
- Reducing car emissions.
- More maintenance of the Orchard and our outdoor areas.

The ideas and suggestions raised by our children are fantastic, they are clearly well aware of local, national and global issues and they are all to be congratulated for an extremely productive meeting.

Website Updates

[Maths Page](#) – 2 Virtual workshop presentations added to support parents of children in Reception & Nursery. Photos of maths in action added.

[PTA Page](#) – Up coming events added for this term. Instruction to set up automatic Amazon donations added. Fundraising Projects 2021-2022 added.

[Art & Design Technology Page](#) – Overview and photos added.



Headteacher's Roll of Honour

Those children who have demonstrated both effort in school and the Gospel Value of Respect are:-

Team Crane

Ellissa

Team Halton

Oliver

Team Lucas

Edward

Team Rigby 3

Reuben

Team Rigby 4

Tom

Team Venables

Summer

Oliver

Congratulations to the **OAK FAMILY** for gaining the most points this week.

Next Week at Newburgh:-

Dinners – Week 1

Monday– Odd Socks Day; Y4 Healthy School Club & KS1 Fundamental Skills Club at 3.30pm.

Tuesday – Venables Football Club & Key Stage 1 Science Club at 3.30pm.

Wednesday – Choir Club at 8am.

Thursday – Judo Club at 8am; Key Stage 1 Art & Craft Club; Rigby Football Club at 3.30pm.

Friday – Non Uniform Day & Danceathon; EYFS Nursery Rhyme Dress Up Day; Y4 Virtual Parliament Workshop. Key Stage 2 Gym Club at 3.30pm



PTA Update

Since the Annual General Meeting in October fundraising for the PTA has included the following:-

- Donut sale on Friday 5th November which raised **£283.50** (thanks to Anna, Gaby & Philippa for organising this)
- Christmas card designs
- 100 Fund Lottery Club

Thank you so much to everyone who has supported these events to raise money for our school and Nursery. Before the end of the year there will also be:

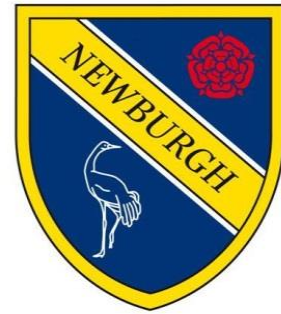
- November and December 100 club lottery draw (with bonus £50 prize in December)
- Tea Towels – all the children in school and nursery have drawn a self portrait which will be put onto a tea towel for purchase before Christmas. More details on this to follow next week.
- Christmas Wreath Making – this ever popular event will be running on Friday 3rd December:



If you would like to join our 100 Club and be in with a chance of winning £25 a month please set up a Standing Order with your bank using the bank details 16-27-25 Account number 10015614 100fund Business Current Account. Please then email Chrissy to confirm how many numbers you have purchased (£1 per number) and you can then be entered into the next lottery draw.

Another topical way to support the PTA when buying Christmas presents from Amazon is to nominate Newburgh PTA to receive a donation from Amazon every time you shop:





Are you planning on starting your Christmas shopping? Our PTA have set up an Amazon Smile account so when you shop online using your existing Amazon account, Amazon donates 0.5% of the net purchase price of eligible purchases to our PTA, raising funds for our wonderful School. This will be all year round not just at Christmas time. You just need to follow these steps to activate your Amazon smile account.

- 1) Go To - <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1097341-0>
- 2) Log in to your account and then Search and Select;

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- 3) Follow the steps to register. You are now ready to shop if you just use the amazon webpage to place your order, **HOWEVER** if you use the Amazon app the next step is crucial.
- 4) Activate your smile account on your Amazon app;
 - a. Log out of your app and then log back in to allow it to update.
 - b. Go into Menu → Settings → Amazon Smile → Turn On Amazon Smile. (If your App doesn't show Amazon Smile in settings, leave it for a few hours and repeat step 4.)
- 5) Please share this document with other family members so they can support our school whilst they shop.

To keep up to date with all things Newburgh PTA based you can follow us on Instagram and facebook:

instagram : https://instagram.com/newburgh_ce_primary_pta/

facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NewburghPTA/>

Every penny raised by the PTA goes towards enhancing the experience of school and Nursery our children receive. Fundraising projects for the next 12 months include improvements to our wildlife area to turn this into a spiritual garden and replacing the furniture in the Willow Dome:

