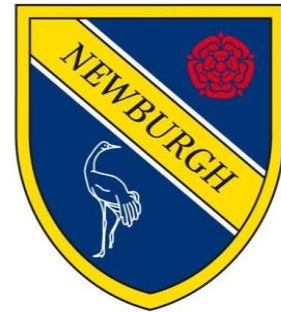


# Newburgh CE School & Nursery



## Newsletter

30/09/2022

Dear Parents, Carers & Children

### This Week at Newburgh:

Our Early Years children have been focussing on "The Little Red Hen"; Nursery children have baked bread and Reception are learning to re-tell the story verbally. In Team Halton children have been learning about their facial features in Science while Team Lucas carried out experiments predicting which materials would float or sink. Team Rigby are considering where our food comes from & food miles and Team Venables have been creating prints in Design Technology. In addition children from Nursery-Y2 participated in a zoom with Julia Donaldson & Axel Scheffler. Our boys football team also represented us once again at Priory and we are so proud of their improvement, character and resilience. Well done to all who took part.

### PTA AGM:

Thank you to everyone who attended the meeting, it is impossible to over emphasise the importance of the PTA to our school community. We are so grateful for your dedication and enthusiasm.

### Bring a Stick To School Week:

Next week we are participating in Bring a Stick to School Week. For this we ask children to bring in a stick for Forest School activities. Nursery children can bring their stick in on any day they attend. Crane, Halton & Lucas should bring their stick in on Friday. Rigby should bring their stick in on Thursday and Venables on Wednesday.

### Flu Vaccination Reminder:

The flu vaccination for all children from Reception to Year 6 has been booked for Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November. Please register children for this using the following link:

<https://www.nhs.uk/flu/information?id=119482&Type=FLU>

### Photographs Reminder:

Please note the deadlines for ordering photographs of children – 7<sup>th</sup> October for prints and 14<sup>th</sup> October for digital downloads.

### School Uniform:

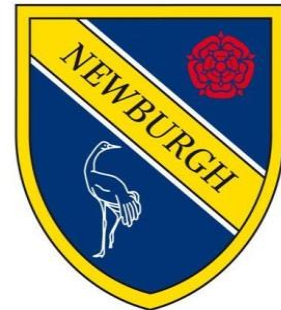
A reminder that our [school uniform page](#) details our school uniform policy. Boots should not be worn in school and children wearing boots will be asked by staff to wear shoes instead.

### Packed Lunch/Snack Reminder:

If children bring grapes into school please ensure they are cut in half.



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### Key Vocabulary – ask me about:

To challenge and deepen the understanding of key vocabulary learned this week ask your child about these words:

**Team Nursery:** Fertiliser, yeast.

**Team Crane:** Caption, sentence.

**Team Halton:** Abstract art, less than.

**Team Lucas:** Compare, estimate.

**Team Rigby:** Cranium, mandible.

**Team Venables:** Circulation, trenches.

### Moment of Mindfulness

Gospel Value: Thankfulness

Thankfulness is:

Thinking of good things

Happy memories

All creation praising God

Not taking anything for granted

Keeping focussed on the positive

Feeling blessed

Understanding the sacrifices people make for us

Living joyfully

Not complaining

Expressing gratitude to God

Saying **thank** you to those who help us

Showing gratefulness by our deeds.

### School Admissions

School Admissions are now open using this link:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/>

The deadline for admissions to secondary school is 31.10.22 (for children in Year 6).

The deadline for admissions to primary school is 15.01.23 (for pre-school children who turn 4 on or before 31.08.23).

### Book Club

Don't forget our latest book club is online at:

<https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/newburgh/digital-book-club> There are hundreds of fantastic children's books to choose from and every £1 you spend will earn 20p for our school in Scholastic Rewards which we can use to enhance our library and classroom stocks of books. Please place your order online by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

### Let Your Light Shine

Matthew 5:14-16

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

Team Crane

Georgia

Team Halton

Jasmine

Team Lucas

Scarlett

Team Rigby

Dan

Dixie

Team Venables

Aiden

Oliver

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

### Times Tables Rock Stars Leaderboard:-

Year 3 – Grayson

Year 4 – Charlotte

Year 5 – Sam R

Year 6 – Macey

### Next Week at Newburgh:-

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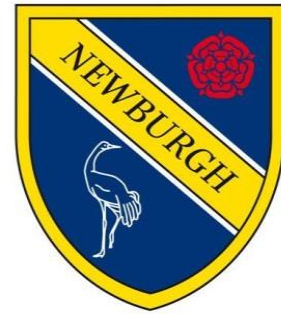
Dinners – Week 3

Tues – School & Eco Council Elections

Weds – Venables Forest School

Thurs – Rigby Forest School; Crane & Lucas trip to library.





### Sunflower Winners

Congratulations once again to the winners of the tallest sunflower competition.

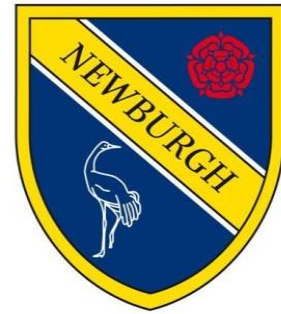


### Notice of Election

On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October children from Reception – Year 6 will share their manifestos and/or posters to campaign to their peers for election to the School or Eco Council. Once all manifestos and posters have been displayed children will vote for their year group representatives.

School Council – representatives of our school, they will consider school and class issues and input into improvements. They will consider causes to fundraise for (for example the School Council requested that we support the Disasters Emergency Committee following the invasion of Ukraine).

Eco-Council – they will consider how to care for and improve our environment & how to make positive environmental changes at school. They are responsible for looking after our raised beds and linking with Wilton House Farm to check on the progress of our school pumpkins.



### PTA AGM

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTA meeting on Thursday night. It was wonderful to meet so many new faces, to celebrate the fundraising from last year and make plans for this year.

During the meeting the fundraising of last year was celebrated (see the [PTA page](#) of the website for a full breakdown).

The year group PTA representatives were thanked:

Year 6 – Lisa Hope  
Year 5 – Gaby Mahoney/Charlene Smith  
Year 4 – Jennie Williams/Alex Connolly  
Year 3 – Chrissy Quirk  
Year 2 – Rachel Menzies/Alex Connolly  
Year 1 – Philippa Howard/Rachel Menzies/Chrissy Quirk  
Reception – Rachel Frazer/Charlene Smith  
Nursery – Rachel Menzies

The representatives have helped form links between all parents and the PTA which has been really valuable.

Fundraising ideas for the year ahead were shared including a social night (possibly a Race Night), a school fair & a calendar. It was agreed at the meeting to run the Christmas card designs again as parents like to purchase their children's artwork to give as cards and presents. It was suggested that income for this may be enhanced by holding a Christmas Card design workshop after school and by creating packs of materials for parents to purchase to make a Christmas card design.

It was also suggested that class parents work together to fundraise for the PTA. This may work best by joining classes together for example EYFS (Nursery & Reception); Key Stage 1 (Halton & Lucas); Lower Key Stage 2 (Rigby) and Upper Key Stage 2 (Venables). It was stressed that fundraising could be as simple as a raffle at a Christmas production.

It was also suggested that parents be encouraged to join the 100 Club to raise funds without having to do anything.

The plans for the spiritual garden were shared and it was suggested that parents could sponsor a plant to go in the area.