

# Newburgh CE School & Nursery

## Newsletter

24/02/2023



Dear Parents, Carers & Children

Welcome back to school! We started our week celebrating Shrove Tuesday across the school. Our Eco Council have launched a new school campaign to turn lights off in unoccupied rooms (and teachers can earn house points for doing this!) Our Year 1 children have been considering the properties of different materials, in Year 2 they have been dissecting plants, Years 3 & 4 had a Forest School day (thank you to Northwest Ecological Trust, Aughton & Jacksons Plumbers, Ormskirk for donating materials for this) and in Year 5 and 6 they have been writing adverts.

### Looking Forward:

We have an exciting half term planned and key dates have been added to our calendar. We will be participating in events to celebrate British Science Week. Team Venables will start this week with a Forest School Day working with a Soil Surveyor. We will be holding a Science Pop Up Shop after school on the 14<sup>th</sup> March to raise money to fix our school pond. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will hold Family Worship for Mothering Sunday while Key Stage 2 children have the opportunity to participate in a Performing Arts Festival. Reception will be having a Forest School Day at the Beacon and Team Rigby will have a Roman Day as well. The PTA will be holding our annual Easter Bingo event on 24<sup>th</sup> March and we will hold a non-uniform day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March in return for prizes (Easter eggs or crafts). The Choir performance was so well received at Christmas we will be doing this again on the 24<sup>th</sup> March. Parents' Evenings are the 21<sup>st</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March and Nursery have an open evening on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Term finishes on the 31<sup>st</sup> March at 2.30pm (please note there is no afterschool club provision on this day).

### ParentPay:

ParentPay has been updated with Snacks for this half term and the Enrichment Clubs. Please ensure your accounts are **in credit** for this half term. Thank you.

### Industrial Action & Extra bank holiday:

School & nursery will be open as normal next week. On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May we will be closed for the bank holiday in honour of the King's coronation.

Warmest Regards,





### Enrichment Clubs Spring 2:

Welcome to our Enrichment offer for this half term. Clubs that take place outside of school hours require parental permission via ParentPay (PP) or Letter (L).

Day	Before School	Lunchtime	After School
Monday		Story Time Computing	KS1 Circuit Training (PP)
Tuesday		Origami Computing	Venables Photography (PP)
Wednesday		Computing	KS2 Girls Football (L)
Thursday		Origami Computing	EYFS & KS1 French (L)  KS2 Boys Football – (PP)
Friday	Choir Club – (PP)*	KS1 Yoga	KS2 Circuit Training (PP)

Please note that some clubs have limited numbers. If you are unable to see the club in ParentPay it may already be full.

Photography Club is run by Helen Pletts. Numbers are strictly limited and there is a cost of £10 towards the purchase of the cameras. Thank you also to Helen & Joel for donating memory cards for this club.

### Moment of Mindfulness

This week we participated in a minute of silence to reflect upon the ongoing war in Ukraine and those in Turkey and Syria. We thought about the struggles those people are facing and how fortunate we are here in the U.K.

### Website Updates

[Team Lucas](#) starts new topics this half term so their liaison has been updated on their class pages. Please have a look to see what they will be learning about.

### Time to Shine

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

#### Team Crane

Lily

#### Team Halton

Oliver

#### Team Lucas

Julia

#### Team Rigby

George

Alex

#### Team Venables

Jack

Alannah

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

### Times Tables Rock Stars Leaderboard:-

Year 3 – Jemima

Year 4 – Sean

Year 5 – Summer

Year 6 – Charlie

### Next Week at Newburgh:-

#### Enrichment Clubs Start

Dinners – Week 2

Weds – Y2 and Y6 Parents' SATs meetings.

Thurs – WORLD BOOK DAY



### Jewellery Sale

Congratulations everyone who helped us to raise an amazing **£267.58** selling jewellery & other items to help those affected by the earthquake in Turkey & Syria. We will be making contact with a former Newburgh pupil who lives in Turkey and is fundraising to help survivors. This money will be sent to her to help those in need. Thank you to the girls who spent their half term organising the pop up shop and thank you to all who supported this endeavour to make a difference.



### World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March this year and we would like to celebrate the importance and wellbeing benefits of reading at bedtime. Our School Council would like to invite all children to come to school in their PJs (outdoor footwear please – no slippers) and there will be a sleep over in the school hall. Children are asked to bring their favourite teddy, blanket and a book to share in the hall between 3pm and 4pm when we hold our special school sleepover (children can either be collected at 3.30 or go to clubs at this time or stay until 4pm when they will be dismissed onto the playground/taken to afterschool club)

There will also be a special school lunch of chicken burger or pasta bake which will need ordering for children who wish to have this:

[World Book Day Special Menu](#)

The World Book Day Quiz is now available to buy from ParentPay for £2 per quiz. You can complete the quiz at home as a family and return your answers to school in bags to be in with a chance of winning book tokens for your family. Please return completed quiz sheets to school by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March and the winning family will be drawn during Celebration Assembly. Our School Council have spoken to all their year groups and have come up with a wish list of magazine subscriptions (StoryBox for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2; National Geographic for Years 2-6 and Match for Years 1-6). In total we would like to raise £170 to purchase one year subscriptions to each of these magazines so we can keep encouraging reading.

Did you know that studies have shown that reading for 30 minutes a day boosts blood flow and connectivity in the brain, reduces anxiety and depression and can even alleviate pain. Reading stories allows us to understand others better and is one of the most effective self care activities you can undertake as well as increasing vocabulary and empathic ability. We think reading is well worth celebrating!





Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>27<sup>th</sup> February</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club 12.30-13.00 Story Time  15.30-16.30 KS1 Circuit Training Club	<b>28<sup>th</sup> February</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club 12.30-13.00 Origami Club  15.30-16.30 Venables Photography Club	<b>1<sup>st</sup> March</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club  15.30-16.30 KS2 Girls Football  <b>15.45 Y2 &amp; Y6 Parents' Mtg re: SATs</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> March</b> <b>World Book Day</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club 12.30-13.00 Origami Club  15.30-16.30 Crane & KS1 French Club 15.30-16.30 KS2 Boys Football	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> March</b> 08.00 Choir Club  12.30-13.00 KS1 Yoga Club  15.30-16.30 KS2 Circuit Training Club
<b>6<sup>th</sup> March</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club 12.30-13.00 Story Time  15.30-16.30 KS1 Circuit Training Club	<b>7<sup>th</sup> March</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club 12.30-13.00 Origami Club  15.30-16.30 Venables Photography Club	<b>8<sup>th</sup> March</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club  15.30-16.30 KS2 Girls Football	<b>9<sup>th</sup> March</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club 12.30-13.00 Origami Club  15.30-16.30 Crane & KS1 French Club 15.30-16.30 KS2 Boys Football	<b>10<sup>th</sup> March</b> 08.00 Choir Club  12.30-13.00 KS1 Yoga Club  15.30-16.30 KS2 Circuit Training Club
<b>13<sup>th</sup> March</b> <b>British Science Week</b> <b>Venables Forest School Day</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club 12.30-13.00 Story Time  15.30-16.30 KS1 Circuit Training Club	<b>14<sup>th</sup> March</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club 12.30-13.00 Origami Club  <b>15.30 Pop Up Science Shop</b> 15.30-16.30 Venables Photography Club	<b>15<sup>th</sup> March</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club  15.30-16.30 KS2 Girls Football	<b>16<sup>th</sup> March</b>  <b>9.15 YR Mothering Sunday Service in Church</b>  12.30-13.00 Computing Club 12.30-13.00 Origami Club  <b>13.30 KS1 Mothering Sunday Celebration in School Hall</b>  <b>15.30 Y3/4 Mixed football comp at Richard Durnings</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup> March</b> <b>Non uniform Day for Easter Bingo Prizes</b> 08.00 Choir Club  12.30-13.00 KS1 Yoga Club  15.30-16.30 KS2 Circuit Training Club



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