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Dear Parents, Carers & Children

Alder Hey Fundraising

Today we raised a massive **£378** for Alder Hey with the School Council suggestion of a non-uniform/crazy hair day. Thank you so much for supporting such an important local charity.

Football

This week it was the turn of the Year 5/6 Girls football team to participate in an event at JMO. They put on a stunning performance, with huge smiles throughout. We finished joint 4th in our league and we are really proud of the performance.

EYFS Nursery Rhyme Day

Our Early Years celebrated Nursery Rhyme Day with fantastic costumes. Nursery Rhymes are a key part of literacy development in children as they support language and communication skills, so we love to celebrate this theme day.

Art Club

Our KS1 Art Club allows children to explore different artistic styles. This week they looked at painting in a pointillist style with some super examples pictured – well done Art Club!

Rigby Canal Walk

Team Rigby carried out Geography field work on the canal. They completed observational drawings of the canal and River Douglas and then referenced these against maps.

Venables Family Picture

Team Venables have some special Christmas art work planned and will need a family picture to complete this. Please send this into school as soon as possible.

Christmas Special Lunches

Please complete the <u>Christmas Meals Form</u> today (Friday 17th November) to order Christmas dinner and Christmas party lunches for your child (15th and 20th December). Without the form completing you will have to provide a packed lunch for your child on these days.

Warmest Regards,

Headteacher





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Key Vocabulary – ask me about:

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

Team Nursery:	Camouflage. Burrow.
Team Crane:	Nursery Rhymes.
Team Halton:	Vanished. Escaped. Flannel.
Team Lucas:	Tarried. Fowl.
Team Rigby:	Pallor. Hijab.
Team Venables:	Biography. Relative pronouns.

Moment of Mindfulness:

This week we have been focusing on respecting others. Activities have taken place to teach children how to speak respectfully to others, what 'banter' is and how this can sometime be taken too far and how to navigate disagreements. We have also looked at how everyone is special and unique.

A prayer for Respect:

Father God Open our eyes to value and appreciate all people. Help us to recognise what we have in common And **respect** what makes each of us unique. Amen



Let Your Light Shine Matthew 5:14-16

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

<u>Team Crane</u> Georgia <u>Team Halton</u> Finlay <u>Team Lucas</u> Leonardo <u>Team Rigby</u> Lily Edward <u>Team Venables</u> William Toby

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

Times Tables Rock Stars Leaderboard:-

Year 3 – Monty Year 4 – Reuben Year 5 – Sonny Year 6 – Saul

Next Week at Newburgh:-

<u>Dinners</u> – Week 1

<u>Thurs</u> – Rigby Swimming <u>Fri</u> – November Birthdays non-uniform day; PTA Wreath Making at 6pm

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Message from the Eco Council

After seeing our work in promoting walking to school, Douglas Valley Lions have donated 50 high visibility jackets for children at Team Newburgh which are now available to loan if you walk, cycle or scoot to and from school at any time during the week. These are particularly important for road safety at this dark time of year.

You may wish to borrow one for a week, for the rest of this term or for the whole of the school year. If you would like to loan one of these jackets (and receive a giant sticker!), please call in to the office to sign up.



Christ Church Christmas Posada

A treasured Newburgh festive tradition is the Posada. This is taken from an old Mexican tradition of going from house to house asking for a room for a night and telling about the imminent arrival of Jesus in the weeks leading up to Christmas. At Newburgh a set of nativity figures (pictured) are looked after by a 'host' for a night before being passed on to the next 'host'. Would you like to host the posada for a night?

This year the posada will begin travelling around Newburgh and surrounding areas from Sunday 3rd December and will be returned to Christ Church, Newburgh on Christmas Eve at the Crib Service.

If you would like to be a host you will receive the figures to have in your home for one night and then pass them on to the next family. Please email <u>fst.newburgh@hotmail.com</u> to arrange a suitable day or add your name to the list at the school office. Spaces will be limited so please get in touch as soon as possible. Thank you.



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Message from the PTA

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Hi everyone,

After the success of Year 6 parents running the cheese and wine evening we are delighted to share that Halton parents are next to lead our up and coming PTA disco.

The disco is on Friday 1st December. The cost is £5 and will include drinks and snacks. You can pay via ParentPay.

Nursery (children must be accompanied), Crane, Halton and Lucas are invited from 5.45pm – 6.45pm. Rigby and Venables are invited from 7pm – 8pm.

Thank you for supporting the PTA! Cathie Williams, Chair.

Upcoming PTA Events

Friday 24th November – Christmas Wreath Making Workshop. This incredibly popular event is £25 to make your own Christmas Wreath.

Friday 1st December – Children's Disco – Nursery, Crane, Halton, Lucas – 5.45-6.45pm; Rigby & Venables 7-8pm.

100 Club Christmas Draw – It's the 100 Club Christmas Draw. The 100 Club is a small lottery in which you buy a number for £1. If you hold the winning number you win £25. The Christmas draw is for £50. If you want to be in with a chance of winning the Christmas draw please arrange a Standing Order with your bank for the amount you wish to donate each month (each £1 equals one number). The details are:

Newburgh School PTA 100fund Business Current Account 16-27-25 10015614

Please use your child's name as your reference and you will be entered into the next draw.

Newburgh Fair 2024 Meeting

Newburgh Fair 2024 needs your help!

To keep this popular village event running helpers are needed. If you can support with anything big or small please attend a meeting at Newburgh Sports Club on **Wednesday 22nd November at 7.30pm**.

Committee members and volunteers alike are needed, please come along if you are able.



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