



Newburgh Primary School

"A caring school where every child matters" (OFSTED)

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What's on this week	Monday 21st November	Tuesday 22nd November	Wednesday 23rd November	Thursday 24th November	Friday 25th November
Before school 8am-8.55am			Guitar (8.45am)	School Bank 8.30am	
Activities during the school day	Violin (am) Guitar (pm)	Brass (am) Woodwind (pm) Violin (pm)	Guitar (am/pm)	Y5,6 Indoor Athletics roadshow	Y6ES swimming Brass (am) Celebration Assembly: Y4 @ 9am
Lunchtime		Home learning	Y4,5 Glass Painting	Y4,5,6 Running Club	Home Learning
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)	Girls Choir Y1 Football Y2 Tag Rugby	Boys Choir NO Y4,5,6 Netball Lego club 3.15-4.30pm Y3 Yoga club (Gp2)	NO KS2 Football club Film club 3.15-4.50pm Y1 Tennis (Gp2) Y5 Let's Get Cooking	Orchestra NO Y4,5,6 Girls football (Mr Brandrick)	Y3 Tag rugby Y2 Football Fencing

UPCOMING DATES IN SCHOOL:

Friday 25th November: Year 4 celebration assembly @ 9am
Tuesday 29th November: Lower School decoration morning
Wednesday 30th November: Upper School decoration morning
Friday 2nd December: Year 5 celebration assembly @ 9am
Friday 2nd December: Reception pebble assembly @ 2.30pm
Friday 9th December: Year 6 celebration assembly @ 9am
Wednesday 14th December: Reception decoration afternoon @ 1.30pm
Friday 16th December: Year 1 celebration assembly @ 9am

Please note that parents are invited to attend the above mentioned celebrations and activities if they have children in these year groups. In addition to these dates, the upcoming Christmas performances are detailed on the reverse of this newsletter. Individual letters for decoration mornings or afternoons and school performances will be sent home nearer to the respective dates.

Please note that all school sports kit should be returned to Mr. Smith (having been washed and dried please) as soon as possible. We do not envisage that there will be any more school fixtures between now and the end of this term due to the fading light in an evening.

If you have any spare wool, Year 5 would really like it for their Christmas decorations morning. All colours and sizes would be gratefully received. Please hand wool in to the office or direct to Year 5 staff. Many thanks, Mr O'Dwyer and Mrs Payne

BOOK FAIR:

Thanks to all of you who supported us by buying books at the recent book fair. I was able to spend £1,200 using the commission I received. To the right is a photo of the books I have chosen to supplement our library and guided reading resources. Thank you, Mrs. Turner, Literacy Manager



KS2 CHOIR EVENTS LEADING UP TO CHRISTMAS:

Saturday 26th November: carol singing @ Hatton Country World. Singing from 3.30pm until 4.00pm. Meet at 3.15pm at Hatton. Warm clothes please. Parents, siblings, family and friends are welcome to watch and join in.

Tuesday 29th November: early Christmas concert @ Playbox Theatre for orchestra and choirs. Singing / playing from 4pm until 4.30pm. Children will walk to Playbox supervised by members of staff straight after school. Please collect from Playbox at 4.30pm. Arrangements can be made for staff to walk any Pathways children back to Newburgh straight afterwards. Smart school uniform please. Parents, siblings, family and friends are very welcome to attend.

Sunday 11th December: Lights of Love Dedication Service in Warwick

There will be no more football club or girls football club on their respective afternoons now until after Christmas due to the fading light. Please refer to subsequent newsletters for information as to when these activities will re-start next term.

KS2 CHOIR EVENTS LEADING UP TO CHRISTMAS (cont):

town square. The service begins at 4pm and will be over by 4.30pm. Please wear warm clothes as it is all outside. Anyone is welcome to attend. Meet at 3.45pm. Collect around 4.30pm.

Monday 12th December: Yr 5 & 6 choir members only singing at Leicester House Care Home @ 11am. Parents are not invited to this event.





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*Please remember our responsibilities to ourselves and our children when driving or parking around the school site.
This is especially important where children and parents are crossing Kipling Avenue to enter school.*

Please note that children should be arriving at school at 8.45am at the earliest please.

GOVERNORS CORNER:

School life is extremely busy and this was certainly no exception as we, the school governors, were able to experience first-hand on 08/11/16, during our Annual School Governors Day visit.

We joined the children during their lesson times, engaging fully with them following a brief by their teacher on the current lesson. It was great to join in with gluing and sticking, guided reading, topic research, speech and punctuation, maths and World War II assembly practice. The classrooms look fantastic and all around school our children's work is proudly displayed. Music practice in the hall with all KS2 children, was a delightful treat.

As always, we enjoy a school meal with the children, and this is our opportunity to engage with them outside of the classroom. The multiple playground games and range of equipment provided during lunchtime on the playground is fantastic and are fully utilised. I spoke with many groups of children during this time; it is great to see how the children are spending their time with their friends and developing further their friendship base.

The afternoon was spent in the library with two separate groups of children of varying ages to discuss with them their experiences of school life; which was extremely positive. We also discussed Newburgh's key school rule, 'Consideration', it is such a good feeling, knowing that is the primary rule focus for all our children and staff, and that it has such a positive effect.

Consideration and its meaning is discussed with all children at Newburgh as soon as they join our school and is reflected upon often. 'Consideration' encompasses all that is good in the world and how we as individuals can go about our daily lives. Please take time to discuss with your children our school rule and how well it is used and make good example of it. Children feel safe and are happy at school and understand this rule and how important it is and the impact it has when put to full use. "We are kind" and "help each other".

Thank you to all the children and staff for a great Governors Day, we thoroughly enjoyed sharing it with you.

Sam Raftery, Parent Governor

NURSERY CONSULTATION:

A consultation is currently being undertaken as part of the proposal to grant a new lease to Pathways Nursery. The consultation runs from Monday 21st November 2016 to Monday 23rd January 2017. For further information please see the notice displayed in school main reception or request the information from a member of staff at main reception.

For health and safety reasons, please can we remind children who have long hair that this should be either tied back in a pony tail or similar.

CROSS-COUNTRY:

The final cross-country race of the season will take place on Saturday 25th November at Priory Park in Warwick. As before, the girl's race starts at 10.30am and the boys start at 11am. Any interested Year 6 girls or boys are welcome to take part in this race.

PTA NEWS:

The orders for the PTA Newburgh Noel Christmas CD's and Cotton bags have gone in this week. If anyone has missed the deadline and would still like to purchase some, then please drop your order and payment into the PTA box as soon as possible. There are a limited amount of CD's available which will also be sold at the Christmas Fair on Saturday 3rd December (12-2pm).

As Christmas fast approaches, please can you remember to collect your postal stamps over the festive period. The PTA can earn £11 per kilo for British stamps and £17 per kilo for foreign. There is a stamp collection box in the office reception for all your postal donations. Every stamps counts!

Lisa Hernandez, PTA Chairman

RECEPTION CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS:

Please note the following advance information regarding the Reception Christmas production this year:

Tuesday 6th December @ 10am (for parents with small children)

Wednesday 7th December @ 2pm

Thursday 8th December @ 10am

These performances will take place in the main hall at school. Letters regarding ticket requests will be sent home in due course.

LOWER SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS:

Please note the following advance information regarding the Lower School Christmas production this year:

Monday 5th December @ 2pm (for parents with small children)

Wednesday 7th December @ 6pm

Thursday 8th December @ 2pm

Thursday 8th December @ 6pm

These performances will take place in the main hall at school. Letters regarding ticket requests will be sent home in due course.

UPPER SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS:

Please note the following advance information regarding the Upper School Christmas production this year:

* **Y5** will perform on Tuesday 13th December @ 2pm

* **Y6** will perform on Wednesday 14th December @ 2pm

* **Y4** will perform on Thursday 15th December @ 2pm

As you can see, there will be three separate performances this Christmas - one for each year group on their own. Also, please note that we will be performing at St Paul's Church in Warwick NOT in the school hall. As these are carol services we want to add impact to the productions by performing in our local church. A map with directions for how to get to the church will be provided along with further information nearer to the dates themselves.

