



# Newburgh Primary School

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

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What's on this week	Monday 27th March	Tuesday 28th March	Wednesday 29th March	Thursday 30th March	Friday 31st March
Before school 8am-8.55am			Guitar (8.45am)	School Bank 8.30am	
Activities during the school day	Violin (am) Guitar (pm) Start of 'Grandparent Gardening Week'	Woodwind (pm) Violin (pm) Brass (am) Y1 Assembly 10.20am & 2.45pm Y3-6 music assembly 2.30pm	Guitar (am/pm)	Reception Easter activity / handwriting afternoon 1.30-3.00pm	Y5DO'D swimming Y5 Celebration Assembly 9am Cake sale for Myton Hospice 3.15pm (all donations still welcome please)
Lunchtime		Home learning		Y4,5,6 Running Club Y3 Recorders	Home Learning Y4 Ukulele
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)	Girls Choir Y3 Cricket club Y2 Rounders club	Boys Choir KS2 Netball	<u><b>NO KS2 Football club</b></u> Film club 3.15-4.50pm Y4,5,6 Gardening club Change Makers 3.30-5pm YR Tennis Y1,3,5 Forest School club Y4 Let's Get Cooking	<u><b>NO Orchestra</b></u> Y6 Art club 3.15-4.30pm <u><b>NO Girls Football</b></u>	Fencing Y2 Cricket club Y1 Athletics club

Please note that Year 1's year group assembly will take place on Tuesday 28th March at 10.20am and 2.45pm. Both performances will be in the new hall. Parents of Year 1 children are welcome to attend these assemblies.

## FOOD FOR LIFE AWARD:

I am pleased to inform parents and children that we have been awarded the Food for Life Bronze Award as a result of the work we have been doing in school around promoting a healthy and climate-friendly food culture. We are working with Food for Life to transform the school's food culture, not just in relation to school meals, but to any aspect of food in school (eg, Let's Get Cooking' club, Gardening Club etc).

As part of the Bronze award scheme Newburgh serves seasonal school meals in the dining room at lunchtime and you will be aware that we have recently introduced a fourth option (sandwiches) onto our menu on a trial basis to try to encourage more children to take a meal daily at school. Further work is planned for the near future, including using plates and bowls rather than 'flight trays'. Thank you to Mrs. Simpkins for her hard work in driving this award forwards.



## MYTON HOSPICE:

We were visited by the Myton Hospice in school last Monday so that we could hand over a cheque to them for the collections from the Christmas productions and Christmas jumper day.

In total this amounted to £792.91 which was gratefully accepted by the hospice. The children were very proud of themselves in the assembly as they were made aware of how important their hard work was to the hospice.

## Y5,6 RESIDENTIAL VISITS:

Can we please remind parents to continue making regular instalments towards Year 5 & 6 residential trips taking place in the Summer Term. Instalments can be made via ParentPay as often as convenient, from £10 upwards.





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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.

## WHAT'S IN A HEALTHY LUNCHBOX?

*(for children who bring their own lunches to school)*

Some five million children's lunchboxes are prepared in British homes every weekday, yet a Food Standards Agency survey revealed that **three out of four** of these were likely to contain foods that were too high in saturated fat, salt or sugar. The same survey indicated that almost half of these lunches failed to include any fruit. Most, however, did include crisps, chocolate, biscuits, sugary drinks and other heavily processed snacks.

A diet that's high in fat, high in salt, and high in refined carbohydrates reduces mental alertness, so a child eating these kinds of foods is likely to end up tired towards the end of the day. Also, a diet high in saturated fat and salt can lay the foundations for heart disease and high blood pressure later in life. Such a diet may also lead to obesity.

A healthy lunchbox should help to improve your child's attention, behaviour and learning throughout the day and into the afternoon. It should provide one third of your child's daily requirements of nutrients.

It may contain:

A source of protein to keep children alert (e.g **meat, cheese**); complex carbohydrates for slow-release energy (e.g **bread, pasta, rice**); calcium for growth, healthy bones and teeth (e.g **milk, cheese, yoghurt**) fruit and vegetables for vitamins and minerals

**We are proud of our 'Healthy School' status and would encourage you to support us in maintaining our status by packing your child a healthy lunchbox. Please do not pack your child sweets, chocolate bars or fizzy drinks - save treats for at home!**

*Please can Key Stage 1 ask for any donations of unwanted books or Top Trump-style games for break times? If you have anything you think may be suitable to donate, please do so via the main office.*

*Thank you in advance, the Key Stage 1 team*

## Easter Egg Tombola and Cake Sale - Friday 31st March - Donations needed please:

Myton Hospice is our chosen charity voted for by our children, for this school year. Seven members of our dedicated staff team are dressing up in bright neon and pounding the streets of Coventry for the Myton Hospices' 'Glow In The City Event' in support of this important local charity.



As part of their sponsorship fundraising they are hosting a Easter Egg Tombola & Cake Sale and ask for your help in donating Easter eggs, cakes, cookies, cupcakes or other sweet treats for the event. Any donations of Easter eggs can be left at the office anytime from today onwards and any baked treats on the day of the event ~ Friday 31st March.



Mrs Elsworth, Mrs Hicks, Mrs Lawson Mrs Miller, Mrs Price, Miss Rose and Mrs Tipping very much appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you at the Easter Egg Tombola & Cake Sale at school: 3:15pm, on Friday 31st March.

## PTA NEWS:

If you have ever wondered where to donate that pile of used stamps you've got saved on the shelf, then bring them to the office reception and pop them in the stamp box located on the floor by the entrance. As the PTA are a registered charity, we can earn money on used British stamps, new and old, and even more on used foreign stamps. It's all based on weight (£11 per kilo and £20 per foreign kilo) so every stamp counts. Please leave a 1cm gap around the stamps so not to damage the perforated edges, as that can reduce the value of the stamps. Thank you and happy stamp collecting!

*Lisa Hernandez, PTA Chairman*

## MUSIC CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY:

On Tuesday 28th March all children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 who play an instrument in school (through our Warwickshire music lessons) will be taking part in a music celebration assembly arranged by our violin teacher Mrs Gilbert. The concert will involve our string players, woodwind players, guitarists and brass pupils; there will be more than 80 children involved. Parents of children playing are invited to attend and to meet their child's music teacher afterwards if they would like to.

The concert will begin at 2:30pm and will take place in our Old Hall. (We will not be able to let you in until 2:25 pm because the children will be rehearsing a piece that they will be playing together for the very first time!)

If you have any queries please contact Mrs Franklin. **If your child is taking part, please remind them to bring their instrument to school on the 28th.**

## EASTER ACTIVITIES:

We would like to invite children to get involved in our Easter activities again this year. We will be holding an Easter assembly (**for children only**) on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April where children will be able to share their creations.

**Reception** are invited to make an Easter bonnet;

**Years 1, 2 & 3** are invited to make Easter baskets;

**Years 4 & 5** are invited to make 'egg-citing' scenes;

**Year 6** are invited to write and decorate an Easter poem which they will be asked to read in front of their peers.

The PTA will be supporting and judging creations after our assembly during the morning of the 7<sup>th</sup>.

## OFFICE NOTICES:

The school office are spending an increasing amount of time chasing up payments for lunches, clubs etc. Can we please remind parents of the following expectations:

School Lunches - Class Catering do not offer credit and therefore school lunches must be paid for in advance. Moving forward if there are insufficient funds to pay for lunches then a request will be made for a packed lunch to be provided from home.

After school sports clubs - Once a letter has been sent home advising that a space has been allocated, a payment item is made available via ParentPay. Payment **MUST** be made before the first session takes place. Failure to do so may result the place being allocated to another child.

