



Newburgh Primary School

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

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What's on this week	Monday 5th February	Tuesday 6th February	Wednesday 7th February	Thursday 8th February	Friday 9th February
Before school 8am-8.55am					
Activities during the school day	Violin (am) Y6 netball tournament 12.30pm @ Telford Y4EP visit to Heritage Centre	Brass (am) Violin (pm) Woodwind (pm) Y4MP visit to Heritage Centre	Guitar (am/pm) Y4 Dodgeball 11-1 Reception vision tests (pm)	Reception Forest School: Group 1 - 18/1 - 15/2; Reception Group 2 - 1/3 - 29/3 Reception vision tests (am)	Y5 swimming Y6 celebration assembly @ 9am
Lunchtime		Home learning Y5/6 Drama workshop			Home learning
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)	Girls choir Y3 Tag Rugby Reception football	Boys choir	Y1 Tennis KS2 Football	Orchestra	Y1 Football Y2 Hockey



Dear parents,
Each year we submit artwork to an exhibition which is held at Warwick School.

This year we have submitted the fantastic artwork pictured to the right of this text from Amelie (top left), Martyna (centre), and Ryan (top right). All three pieces of artwork are completely different and the artists have displayed considerable talent and ability in creating them.

The exhibition of Young Local Artists at Warwick School opens on Saturday 3rd February at 11am. The event finishes at 1pm.

We are extremely proud to be able to submit these pieces of artwork. They show that children at Newburgh have so many talents in such a wide variety of different fields, from artistic, as here, to musical, to sporting, to literary or mathematical.

We wish our young artists well and hope that visitors to the exhibition enjoy all of the displays.

Have a good week,
Many thanks, Mr. Smith



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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.

GOVERNORS CORNER:

Were you aware that the third Monday in January is allegedly "the most depressing day of the year"? There is no strict science behind Blue Monday, however there is a published formula stating how factors like the weather, debt, the amount of time elapsed since Christmas, the failure of New Year's Resolutions as well as a general feeling of low motivation all contribute to feelings of sadness and hopelessness. This caused me to think of our school's Resilience Training which gave a positive exercise that could counter these feelings, keeping a Gratitude Diary. Each day you are encouraged to think of three things you are grateful for or that went well for you that day. If this seems a tall order try just one thing to start with. It is a discipline to keep this going but we were told it takes 21 days to reverse the brain and in 42 days you should have more energy, better focus and improved sleep, positivity and enthusiasm.

I recently read a quote from Neuroscientist Rick Hanson saying "The brain is Velcro for negative experiences and Teflon for positive ones." Therefore we need to work at reversing this, as our ability to pay attention and dwell on what is good in our lives is the gateway to happiness. We wish each other a Happy New Year and it may be a particularly happy one if we give the Gratitude Diary a try and focus on the positive in 2018.

Rebecca Poole Co-opted Governor

PTA NEWS:

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported our second hand children's book sale last Wednesday. We raised over £66 and also gave a large amount of books to the school to be used in the library and individual classrooms. Hopefully this event can become a more regular one, giving children the opportunity to find different reading material while passing on any books they're already read to be used again.

The Beetle drive will be taking place this Saturday (3rd February) from 3-5pm in the old school hall. Doors open from 2.30pm so come along and grab a drink and cake before it starts. This is a lovely family game and was lots of fun last year. Full instructions of how to play will be given before the games start, and there are prizes to be won for those who can build the fastest Beetle, so come along and support us. Entry is £2 per person.....We look forward to seeing you there!

Lisa Hernandez, PTA Chairman.

CLERK TO GOVERNORS VACANCY:

We currently have a vacancy for the position of **Clerk to the Governors**. This is a part-time paid position and is open to anybody, whether or not they have a connection to our school. If you or anybody you know are interested, please check your eschools account for details.

eSchools reminder - All communication is now being sent home via the eSchools platform. It is really important for parents to log in to eSchools and update their email address within the personal details tab to ensure that correspondence is being received. The only letters which will be sent home on paper will be those which require completion of a reply slip. Please let the school office know if you require help with log in or a password reset.

CATERING ASSISTANT: JOB VACANCY / JOB DESCRIPTION:

Newburgh Primary School, Warwick

General assistant required.

Hours of Work: 16 hours per week, working 11.00pm – 2.15pm

Monday – Thursday, Friday 11.00am – 2.00pm. term time only.

Rate of Pay: £7.50 per hour

Main Duties (from job description): To prepare fresh food; assisting the chef with day to day kitchen duties; serving children at lunchtimes; cleaning kitchen and dining hall.

Contact:- helenohara@classcatering.co.uk or call 07957 624177

Year 5 assembly - Tuesday 13th February at 10.20am & 2.45pm

EASTER CREATIONS:

I hope that everyone has received a letter over the last week or so about changes we have made to the opportunities we are giving children at Easter this year. In previous years we have invited children to make Easter bonnets, gardens scenes etc. We will be changing this for Easter 2018 to something which we feel will have more of an impact for the whole school and the school site in particular. Activities which we are inviting children to complete this year are as follows:

Reception children are invited to decorate a wellington boot and plant some flowers in them.

Year 1 children are invited to find some flat stones and paint them brightly to make some garden bugs.

Year 2 children are invited to create some simple birdseed ornaments which can be hung from the trees on our school field.

Year 3 & 4 children are invited to decorate a plant pot in whatever way they see fit and to plant some flowers or bulbs in the pots so these can be enjoyed around the school site.

Year 5 & 6 children are invited to create a home for an animal. This may be a birdhouse or hedgehog house which we can then use around the site to encourage wildlife to live there.

There will be no judging of entries this year as we feel that this is something where everyone will be a 'winner' because the school site will look amazing as a result.

We would ask that any creations should be made **AT HOME** please (they will not be made in school) and brought into school during the final week of this term – the week commencing Monday 26th March 2018. This may seem like a long way off, but hopefully by sending this information out early it will give you chance to prepare some fantastic creations!

WATER BOTTLES:

We still have some children who are not taking the opportunity to keep themselves hydrated via one of our three new water coolers. Children only need to bring a bottle into school so that they can refill this once their water has been drunk during the day. There are three new water coolers around the school for children to access and we would encourage everyone to do so. Every child is welcome to have a water bottle in class with them during the day.

