

Newburgh Primary School

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

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<u>What's on this</u> <u>week</u>	Monday 16th April	Tuesday 17th April	Wednesday 18th April	Thursday 19th April	Friday 20th April
Before school 8am-8.55am					
Activities during the school day	Violin (am)	Brass (am) Violin (pm) Woodwind (pm) Y5 Space Day @ Warwick Prep	Guitar (am/pm)	Severn Trent workshops with Year 4 Reception forest school (group 2)	Y1 celebration assembly @ 9am Y4 swimming
Lunchtime		Home learning	Y4,5 PAIS club		
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)	Girls choir Y2 Athletics Reception Athletics	Boys choir	Y3,4,5,6 Tennis KS2 Athletics Y4,5,6 Gardening PTA meeting (The Unicorn)	Orchestra Art Club Football V St Nicholas (a)	Y1 Athletics Y3,4 Athletics

Dear parents,

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our Easter activities and brought something into school over the last couple of weeks. We have had many amazing creations and these are now dotted around the school site for all of us to enjoy. They really are lovely and have helped to brighten the school site up. We just need now a period of warmer temperatures (with some dampness at night) to help the flowers to grow especially.

This term has now drawn to a close and it seems to have gone very quickly since the Christmas break. Even though it has been grey and dull outside, children have been incredibly busy and hardworking inside. They are all due a good break over the next couple of weeks before the Summer Term begins.

I hope that you have a restful and peaceful Easter break and we look forward to welcoming children back to Newburgh on Monday 16th April. Have a good break.

Kind regards, Mr. Smith

SPORT RELIEF:

Thank you for taking part in our danceathon for Sport Relief last Friday. It was great to see each year group dancing in the hall. We had some great sporty outfits including a swimmer with goggles, trunks and armbands! We raised £200. Photographs from the day are pictured on the right of this article.

Your money will make such a difference to someone. The School Council

















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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:

After a recent discussion on the subject of maths, it occurred to me that it could be fashionable for adults to say, "I'm not very strong at maths". Indeed it's become almost socially unacceptable to admit the opposite! Having said that, I genuinely didn't enjoy maths lessons at school; but then maths teaching in my school days in the 1950s and 60s was uninspiring. If you didn't "get it" and I frequently didn't - you were simply cast aside and left to flounder in the wilderness. It wasn't till I set up my own business in the 90s that I had to become fluent in maths very quickly indeed - and I've loved maths ever since. I've even been known to read books about maths on a beach while on holiday!

The introduction of "Maths Mastery" has transformed maths teaching in many schools including our own and has already produced a measurable improvement in children's progress and attainment. So if you struggled with maths at school, get involved with your children's maths and learn to enjoy maths with them. You can find out more and watch a video about Maths Mastery by clicking on this link: https://mathsnoproblem.com/en/themaths/teaching-methods/what-is-maths-mastery/

Happy Easter everyone.

Ron Binnie, Chair of Governors.

If you have an issue you would like governors to consider, please send an email to governors2325@welearn365.com

CROSS-COUNTRY:

Pictured below are the girls from Years 5 & 6 who took part in a cross-country relay event at Warwick Prep School this week. Once again, conditions were unbelievably muddy and heavy underfoot, particularly as the girls were running considerably longer distances than they had previously done on that ground. However, all of the children ran with great determination and resilience. Well done to all the children who took part.





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recently which should be resolved by the time of receipt of this newsletter. However you may need to uninstall and reinstall the eSchools app to work correctly. On reinstalling the app, should you

The Summer Term will begin in school for children on Monday 16th April.

We have been made aware that a small number of parents have been

experiencing issues opening attachments on messages sent home via

eSchools. This appears to particularly apply to users of Samsung

The eschools support team have confirmed there has been an issue

require a password reset, then please do not hesitate to contact the

YEAR 3,4,5,6 TENNIS:

OFFICE NOTES:

devices.

school office.

Y3,4,5,6 tennis coaching will begin on Wednesday 18th April until Wednesday 23rd May (inclusive) as an after-school activity from 3.15pm-4.15pm (cost £24 for the six sessions). There will be 16 places available in this activity. The coaching is being provided by Coolsportz, who have worked at Newburgh for over 8 years and are based at Warwick Tennis Club, opposite the racecourse. Rackets can be provided by Coolsportz. All coaches are DBS and 1st aid trained. Letters have been sent home - reply slips can be handed to the school office please.

FITT 4 KIDS ACTIVITIES:

After the Easter break the following activities will be running for 5 weeks through FITT4KIDS starting on Monday 16th April: Monday: Rec. Athletics, Y2 Athletics; Friday: Y1 Athletics, Y3&4 Athletics. Reply slips can be handed in at the main office if you are interested in

these activities and will be passed on to the clubs' organisers.

SWIMMING HELPERS:

Would any parents be interested in helping to take our Year 4 children swimming? We go to St. Nicholas' Park swimming pool on a Friday afternoon with the children at 1pm and 1.25pm. The helper vacancy we have is for the first group, leaving Newburgh at 1pm. The children return to school around 2.30pm following their swim. The role itself is purely supervisory as instructors at the pool teach the children once they are there.

Anyone interested can contact the main office. It would be preferable if you have a current, valid DBS certificate, but if not, this can be completed via school.

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.





