



Newburgh Primary School

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

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What's on this week	Monday 27th January	Tuesday 28th January	Wednesday 29th January	Thursday 30th January	Friday 31st January
Before school 8am-8.55am					
Activities during the school day	String tuition Music day - Years 1 - 6	Stay and Play group String Tuition Brass Tuition Woodwind Tuition	Guitar Tuition	Rec Forest School Grp 1	Y5 Celebration Assembly 9am Y5 Swimming
Lunchtime				Orchestra	
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)	FITT4Kids Reception Dodgeball Club FITT4Kids Y1&2 Dodgeball Club Girls Choir	Reception Well Being Club Group 2 Boys Choir	Coolsportz Tennis Y1 & 2 NO WELL BEING CLUB Y3,4,5 & 6	Chess Club Y4,5 & 6 Spaghetti Maths Club Y1 - 6 3.20 - 4.20pm Premier Active - Active Adventure Club	

Dear Parents/Guardians

Being a 'Great Achiever' is one of our Newburgh Primary School values and one of our aims is 'To help children develop as enthusiastic, independent and self-disciplined learners who have a sense of pride and respect for their work, their peers, their school and the wider community and strive to achieve their best'. In my whole school assembly this week we looked at the definition of 'achieve'

Verb: to succeed in finishing something or reaching an aim, especially after a lot of work or effort....

We watched a film clip which encourages children to realise achieving something is sometimes a struggle, and that is ok!

<https://www.youcubed.org/resources/the-importance-of-struggle/>

I left them with the challenge to consider 'What will you aim to achieve today, this week, this year?' and I'm looking forward to hearing about their 'Great achievements'- whether it is getting faster at times tables recall or having the confidence to stand up and perform in front of an audience!

Kind regards
Mrs Simpkins, Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 27th January - Music Day for Years 1 - 6

Friday 31st January - Year 5 Celebration Assembly 9am

Friday 31st January - Newburgh PTA Quiz night

Friday 7th February - Year 6 celebration Assembly 9am

Monday 10th February - Year 5 Class Assembly

Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th February - Parents Evening (booking information to follow)



MUSIC DAY

On Monday 27th January, years 1-6 will be taking part in an exciting whole school Music Day. Children will be in mixed year group classes exploring a range of music through the mediums of composition, art, dance, poetry and drumming. We invite children to come to school dressed in comfortable clothes (suitable for the dance activity) and would also appreciate if children could bring a £1 donation to help fund music making at Newburgh.

We hope that this will be an enriching and enjoyable experience for all involved!

Mrs Franklin and Mrs Preston





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

BOOK SOME TIME - *Shakespeare for Every Day of the Year!*

Edited by Allie Esiri

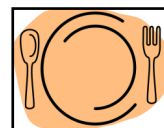
Shakespeare for Every Day of the Year is perfect for reading or sharing and brings you Shakespeare's best-known and best-loved classics alongside lesser known extracts. Esiri's entertaining and insightful thoughts on each entry will fill your year with wonder, laughter, wisdom and wit.

Year 2 are re-designing their classroom book corners. Do you have any bookcases or shelving units you no longer need? If so please let us know. It's amazing what we can upcycle!

Many thanks. *Mrs. Fitzpatrick*



FREE SCHOOL MEAL ELIGIBILITY - COULD YOUR CHILD QUALIFY?



Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a school meal free of charge under the Universal Infant Free School Scheme. However if you are in receipt of certain benefits then your child in any year group, might also be eligible for Free School Meals. If this is the case then this could bring very valuable funding which your child and our school could benefit from.

Online applications are easy to make via <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/education-learning/apply-free-school-meals/2>

Please make an application as soon as you can if you feel your child may be eligible.

WARWICK AND LEAMINGTON FOODBANK

May we remind you that Newburgh Primary School is a registered distributor of Foodbank vouchers so that should one of our families find themselves struggling to put food on the table due to low income, sudden crisis – redundancy, benefit delay or even an unexpected bill etc. we are able to help. Should this situation arise you should ask to meet with Mrs Simpkins.



RESIDENTIAL VISITS

Before we know it the months will have passed and it will be time for Year 5 and Year 6 to enjoy their residential visits to Malvern Outdoor Centre and Red Ridge Activity Centre in Wales.

Please can we remind you that the next instalments will become due by **21st February 2020**. It is very important that the payment schedule is adhered to so we can honour our payment commitment to both centres and ensure your child's place is secured.

We actively encourage all families to make smaller, more regular and manageable instalments towards the cost of these trips. Please make all payments via ParentPay.



GOVERNORS CORNER - Victoria Davies Parent Governor

If you've ever been 'tongue-tied', 'hoodwinked' or 'in a pickle', if you've insisted on 'fair play', 'slept not one wink', 'laughed yourself into stitches' or even had 'too much of a good thing', you've got Will to thank for that. If you believe 'the game is up and the truth will come out', refer to your own 'flesh and blood' or can acknowledge an 'eyesore' or a 'laughing stock' then by Jove! Tut Tut! What the dickens! You've been quoting Shakespeare to your children all along!

Shakespeare has certainly shaped our language and his characters and themes seem as relevant today as they did 400 years ago, just look at all the adaptations of his plays. I'm sure you'd gathered Gnomeo and Juliet were following a certain theme but did you know The Lion King is based on Hamlet and the Lion King 2 on Romeo and Juliet?

Our children encounter Shakespeare throughout their educational years and so this early introduction provided by the school is monumental in making his works accessible to young minds. I recall being baffled by the gobbledegook before me, but seeing my son fearlessly reach between the words, discovering the stories and relating to the characters is quite frankly inspiring. Bringing Shakespeare to life this week and taking it off the page embeds this element of learning in a whole new way. It's quite clear to me that you don't really have to know much about Shakespeare to engage with your child's learning, I bet your small person can already teach you something you didn't know...

If you have a comment or query for governors, please contact us at governors2325@welearn365.com