



Newburgh Primary School

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

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What's on this week	Monday 16th July	Tuesday 17th July	Wednesday 18th July	Thursday 19th July	Friday 20th July
Before school 8am-8.55am					
Activities during the school day		Y3-6 trading card club (breaktime) Change over morning to new classes	Trophy assembly 9am (YR-Y5)	Y6 leavers assembly 9am	SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN TODAY
Lunchtime		Home learning Y5,6 Drama Workshop	Y4,5 PAIS club		
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)		PTA social drinks 7pm @ The Racehorse	Y6 leavers' party 4-6pm		

Please remember that school will be closed to children on Friday 20th July. The final day of term for children will be Thursday 19th July. School will finish on this day as normal at 3.15pm. The first day of term in September for children in Years 1-6 will be Tuesday 4th September from 8.45am onwards.

Dear parents,

As we near the final week of the academic year I would like to focus on small, dedicated group of volunteers (namely the school PTA) who do a tremendous amount of work for our school.

The school PTA organise countless events during the school year to help children enjoy their time at Newburgh. Some of these events are designed to try to raise large sums of money. Others are put on purely for enrichment for children and families.

Without the support of the PTA, children in the school would not be able to experience the diverse curriculum or outdoor opportunities that they are provided with. The PTA put all funding they raise back into the school and in ways that may not be automatically evident. When staff are looking to enrich what they are doing at Newburgh, if funding is involved invariably the PTA will be one of the first ports of call. If you see new structures appear around the school site, eg, the staging behind Year 4, it is likely that the PTA have had some input into funding this.

The important role of chair of the PTA will be vacant in the new academic year and I would urge anyone interested in taking this role on to speak to either

myself or Lisa Hernandez, the outgoing chair. It is undoubtedly a challenging role, but very rewarding and allows an insight into how the school manages the opportunities it provides for the children here. Thank you to the PTA for organising events such as the summer fair last week, and thank you too to parents for supporting events to make them successful. Enjoy the last week of term, Mr. Smith

PARENTPAY INFORMATION:

It is nearly the end of term and we require all parents to check their ParentPay accounts and ensure all outstanding payments including dinner money are brought up to date.

For our Year 6 children due to leave us, any remaining credit remaining in their lunch accounts will be refunded to the 'Parent' account within ParentPay. From there a refund can be requested to your chosen payment card or transferred to a sibling if you wish.

YEAR 6 NOTICES:

May we please advise parents of the following important dates relating to Year 6.

Year 6 leavers party - Wednesday 18th July (4 - 6pm)

Year 6 leavers assembly - Thursday 19th July (9 am)

We hope that parents are able to attend these end of year events.



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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:

You may recall that one of our key priorities for improvement for 2017-2018 was to introduce the 'Resilience' project work to all children and parents. During our last Governing Body meeting Miss Reid presented a Resilience Report detailing the effect the project has had on Year 5. The children have been able to apply the skills learnt through resilience to have an impact on their learning and progress.

- * Parents have noted a positive change in their child's behaviour towards homework.
- * Confidence has increased.
- * Children are showing high levels of motivation.
- * Not getting the negative language in lessons.
- * Parents comment on positive change in attitude.
- * It has encouraged a 'can do' attitude to work.
- * It has brought the class together having experiences where teamwork and cooperation are the only way to succeed.
- * Children are better at supporting each other.
- * At Malvern the resilience task which normally takes 25 minutes to complete took our children only 10 minutes.

The fastest it has been seen to be done!

The results clearly speak for themselves. Resilience is a life skill we all need to possess and use, so Newburgh will continue to build on the solid foundation laid down over the last year.

Rebecca Poole, Co-opted Governor

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

TROPHY ASSEMBLIES:

An advance notice that we will be holding two trophy assemblies at the end of this term. One will be on Wednesday 18th July at 9am and the second will be on Thursday 19th July at 9am. The Thursday assembly will coincide with our leavers' assembly. Parents will receive notification if their children are involved on the Wednesday morning so that they can make arrangements to attend if they would like to.

SPORTS KIT:

Please could ALL sports kit be returned to school as soon as possible once it has been washed and dried?

We have an increasing amount of kit which hasn't been returned recently and this impacts on how we can 'kit out' teams appropriately in the future.

We are missing sports socks in particular if you have any of these please.

Thank you in advance for your help with this.



PTA NEWS:

A huge thank you to all of you who came along and supported the summer fair last week. The sun was beaming, the atmosphere was fantastic, we couldn't have hoped for anything better. We raised nearly £2500, which is a huge amount. Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who helped in any way, and the parents who offered to help clear up at the end of the day. You make me very proud to be involved with a school with such a wonderful network of caring, supportive parents.

The PTA will be having a social event on Tuesday 17th July at the Racehorse pub, which includes a round up of the last few events then a few drinks to celebrate our success. This will be held at 7pm and everyone is welcome to come along.

Lisa Hernandez, PTA Chair

NEWBURGH GARDENERS:

If you use Warwick Station this summer then take a look at the stunning flower trays and baskets that adorn the platform. Two of our green fingered year 4 children helped to plant them a few weeks ago after nurturing the plants in school. Friends' of Warwick Station invite our children to take part in this wonderful community initiative each year.



LIBRARY CLOSURE AND READING BOOK RETURNS:

The library will close in school on Friday 6th July to allow staff time to sort and organise the books. Please ensure you return all your child's library books by this date.

All school reading books need to be returned to school by Monday 16th July.

Thank you for your help with this. Mrs K Turner, Literacy Manager



MAD SCIENCE:

During week ONE of the summer break (23rd-27th July 2018)

Mad Science West Midlands will be running a Summer Camp at Newburgh. For further details and booking information, please help yourself to a leaflet from the entrance hall outside the main office. Alternatively visit www.madscience.org/west_midlands or email enquiries@madsciencewm.co.uk Mad Science can also be reached on 01926 429875. All bookings should be made directly with Mad Science West Midlands.

