



Newburgh Primary School

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

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What's on this week	Monday 29th April	Tuesday 30th April	Wednesday 1st May	Thursday 2nd May	Friday 3rd May
Before school 8am-8.55am					
Activities during the school day	Violin tuition	Stay and Play group Brass tuition Woodwind tuition	Guitar tuition	Reception visit to Twycross Zoo	Y3 Celebration Assembly @ 9 am
Lunchtime		Home Learning club Playbox Drama club			
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)	Girls Choir	Boys Choir	Orchestra Cooking Club Y6 Tennis Club Y2&3	Football Club (Y5 & 6)	

Dear Parents/Guardians

We are at the end of a long and busy Spring term which started with our visit from OFSTED in January and culminated with my appointment as Newburgh's permanent Headteacher last week. There have been many highlights including sporting achievements, a whole school performance of 'Romeo and Juliet' and the children showing their kindness and consideration by working to complete the Newburgh Lent Challenge. Please remember to return your challenge card after the holiday in order to gain your certificate. The pupils, and staff, really do deserve their holiday to recharge their batteries for the Summer term!

Have a good weekend and an enjoyable Easter break.

*Kind regards,
Mrs Simpkins, Headteacher*

FINAL PAYMENT DATES

Residential visits - Please note the final payment dates for the following:

Year 5 Malvern - **Friday 12th April**

Year 6 Red Ridge - **Friday 10th May**

Instrument tuition - Please ensure Summer Term fees are paid before lessons recommence week beginning 29th April.

Please ensure all payments are made via ParentPay.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Celebration Assemblies:

Friday 3rd May - Year 3 @ 9 am

Friday 10th May - Year 4 @ 9 am

Friday 17th May - Year 5 @ 9 am

Friday 24th May - Year 6 @ 9 am

Friday 7th June - Year 1 @ 9 am

Friday 14th June - Year 2 @ 9 am

Friday 21st June - Year 4 @ 9.30-10 am

Friday 21st June - Year 3 @ 9.30-10 am

Friday 28th June - Year 6 @ 9.30-10 am

Friday 28th June - Year 2 @ 9.30-10 am

Friday 5th July - Year 5 @ 9.30-10 am

Friday 5th July - Year 1 @ 9.30-10 am

Reception Pebble Assemblies

Friday 17th May @ 2.30 pm

Friday 21st June @ 2.30 pm

Class Assemblies:

Reception - Tuesday 7th May @ 10.20 am & 2.50 pm

Year 2 - Tuesday 25th June @ 10.20 am & 2.50 pm

Bank Holiday and Summer Half Term

Monday 6th May - Bank Holiday

Monday 27 - 31st May - Summer Half Term

Sports Day

Thursday 11th July - KS2 - morning

Friday 12th July - Reception & KS1 - morning



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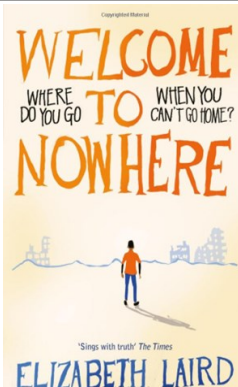
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Our school day begins at 8.55am and the register is taken in class before lessons begin promptly at 9am. Please ensure that children are in school for 8.55am so they can begin their day calmly and with their peers.



BOOK SOME TIME - Welcome to Nowhere, by Elizabeth Laird

Twelve year old Omar is from the beautiful and bustling town of Bosra, Syria, Omar doesn't care about politics – all he wants is to grow up to become a successful businessman – but his older brother, Musa, has become mixed up with some young activists. Soon bombs are falling, and Omar and his family have no choice but to flee their home with only what they can carry. No matter how far they run, the shadow of war follows them until they are forced to leave their homeland altogether. But where do you go when you can't go home?

Elizabeth Laird's characters are "children of war but not defined by it...fascinating and sings with truth" Alex O'Connell, The Times Children's Book of the Week.

Suitable from Year 6 upwards.

PTA - IMPORTANT DATES

Thurs 9th May - PTA meeting, 7.30pm at school

Mon 3rd June - PTA meeting, 7.30pm at school

7th - 9th June - PTA camping weekend, Kineton

Fri 21st June - PTA quiz night, 7.30pm at school

Thur 27th June - PTA meeting, 7.30pm at school

Fri 5th July - PTA Summer Fair

More information regarding the camping event will be sent closer to the time but any questions in the meantime can be sent to newburghpta@gmail.com

ECO REPORT - SPRING 2019

The ECO team were busy during the Spring term making sure that the pupils knew how to use the different types of bins in their classrooms correctly. We ran a competition to see which class consistently put their recycled materials in the red bin. The results were extremely close. In fact, we had 3 classes draw for first place: Miss Masani's, Miss Barnett's and Miss Maisey's.

The children in these classes will receive an extra session on the ball court and trim trail to say well done.

Next term we will be investigating a different type of recycling. How many packs of crisps or snacks do your family eat in a week? Did you know that the packets can be recycled locally?

We would like pupils to bring in any empty packs – these will be collected by the ECO reps in each class who will take them to a box in the Music Room. Please start sending your packs in as soon as possible. Please do not send them in in plastic bags, simply flatten them.

On another note the ECO team are planning a Summer Minibeast day for the whole school. Watch this space – buzz!

Sarah Franklin



GOVERNORS' CORNER - Mr Ron Binnie, Chair of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers

This has been a busy term for governors and staff, not least an unexpected visit by the OFSTED inspector from which the school emerged with flying colours.

The most important task governors will ever have to undertake is to select a new Headteacher for the school. While the process was taking place throughout this term, Mrs Simpkins and Mrs Turner have stepped up as Acting Head and Deputy Head, and have done a truly amazing job for which the governors are indeed very grateful.

A number of candidates applied for the post of Headteacher, and a rigorous process was held over two days last week. As well as a formal interview with governors, candidates had to undertake a number of tasks, some of which had been previously notified, and some of which were sprung on them without notice. All the candidates did well, but in the end, it was the unanimous decision of the governors that Mrs. Simpkins should be appointed permanently to the role she has already been carrying out so ably. I know staff and governors will give Mrs Simpkins their full support, and I'm sure parents will too. I have been talking to children around the school and I know they are delighted that Mrs. Simpkins will continue to be their Headteacher.

The governors wish you and your children a lovely Easter holiday and look forward to seeing the children back in school at the start of the summer term.

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



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