



Newburgh Primary School

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

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What's on this week	Monday 26th November	Tuesday 27th November	Wednesday 28th November	Thursday 29th November	Friday 30th November
Before school 8am-8.55am					
Activities during the school day	Violin (am)	Brass (am) Woodwind (pm) Violin (pm) Stay & Play 9.30-11am Y6 visit to County Records Office & St John's Museum Football V Priors Field (a) - Y3/4; Y5	Guitar (am/pm) Y5 Hockey tournament 1-3pm @ North Leamington School	Lower School Christmas decoration morning 9-11.45am	Y6 Celebration Assembly Y6 swimming Upper School Christmas decoration morning 10am (after celebration assembly) - 12pm
Lunchtime		Home learning Y5,6 Drama		Y2,3 Reading club	Home learning
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)	Y1 Tag Rugby Y3,4 Football Girls choir	Boys choir	Y1,2 Tennis <u>NO</u> KS2 Football	Orchestra	Y2 Football Y5,6 Handball

SCHOOL FOOTBALL:

Pictured right are the victorious boys' 7-a-side football team who won the district finals last Saturday morning following a fantastic team effort. This means that the team now go on to represent the Central Warwickshire area in the county finals against the other top school teams for the different areas in the county.

The winners of that upcoming tournament will progress to the Midlands round, meaning they will be one step closer to playing in the national finals.

Everyone played their part on the day in some close matches, particularly the semi-final and final, which were both won after a penalty shoot-out. In these shoot-outs Newburgh scored a combined 9 out of 10 penalties (including 5 out of 5 in the final) whilst Will saved 3 penalties combined during the shoot-outs. To pick out individuals would be difficult, but Braydon's stunning 25-yard volley in the final was a true captains' strike to bring the score back to 1-1 while George showed nerves of steel to score the winning spot kick in the final.

Well done to all the children who represented Newburgh so well on Saturday and good luck in the next tournament.



Dear parents,

Activities during the school day continue to come thick and fast this coming week with two mornings set aside for making Christmas decorations with children in school. We would like to welcome as many parents as possible to these mornings which have been well-received in previous years. Please also bear in mind the PTA Christmas Fair, which this year is being held on Saturday 8th December from 12-2pm. The Christmas Fair always has a lovely feeling to it and, again, it would be fantastic to see as many parents as possible supporting this event. I hope that you have a good week as our busy half term continues.

Thank you, 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.

CHRISTMAS (2018) DATES:

Please find below a list of Christmas dates for children and parents:

CHRISTMAS DECORATION MAKING:

Thursday 29th November: Lower School 9-11.45am

Friday 30th November: Upper School 10am (after assembly) - 12pm

Tuesday 18th December: Reception (afternoon)



RECEPTION NATIVITY PERFORMANCE:

Monday 10th December: Dress rehearsal: 2pm (open to parents with toddlers)

Tuesday 11th December: 10am (no babies or toddlers please)

Wednesday 12th December: 10am (no babies or toddlers please)



'THE CHRISTMAS STORY' - LOWER SCHOOL:

Tuesday 11th December: Year 1 ~ 2.15-2.45pm & 5.30-6.00pm

Wednesday 12th December: Year 2 ~ 2.15-2.45pm & 5.30-6.00pm

Thursday 13th December: Year 3 ~ 2.15-2.45pm & 5.30-6.00pm

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE - UPPER SCHOOL:

Monday 17th December: Year 6 @ St Paul's Church, Warwick ~ 10-11am

Tuesday 18th December: Year 5 @ St Paul's Church, Warwick ~ 10-11am

Wednesday 19th December: Year 4 @ St Paul's Church, Warwick ~ 10-11am

We hope to welcome you to as many of the events listed as possible this year.

PTA NEWS:

Preparation for the Christmas Fair are in full swing. This event will be on Saturday 8th December and will have lots of fun games, prizes to be won and even some of Warwickshire's finest hot dogs for your enjoyment.



We hope to see lots of you there. We are particularly looking for people who would be willing to help out, maybe running a stall for an hour or helping set up or tidy up. If you are interested in helping please drop us a line - email newburghpta@gmail.com.
Tom Billyard, PTA Chair

GOVERNORS CORNER:

It is well-known among teachers that November is traditionally the month where we see the worst behaviour in schools: the honeymoon period at the start of the year is well and truly over; half-term has been and gone and, as nice as it is, isn't really long enough to re-charge batteries properly; and there's still a good long stretch until we break up for Christmas. With all this in mind, it's not surprising that managing a class of around 30 pupils takes more energy, skill and sheer determination than at other times of year. And of course, pupil behaviour is a particularly hot topic in the news at the moment, with increased national discussion as the long term effects of funding cuts are realised. You may have heard the recent indignant review of the use of isolation booths in secondary schools (they are used in the school where I work - particularly in November!); they are branded as potentially degrading and demoralising, but what seemed to be missing from the debate was the context of the increasing range of complex behaviours and needs that teachers are having to manage in the classroom. Despite the cuts Newburgh has made in recent years, we remain lucky: in comparison to other local schools we have a good number of adults working and supporting our children, from our full-time learning mentor to our newly appointed Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator. It's worth remembering, however, that we all feel the effects of 'Nutty November', pupils, teachers and parents alike, and we need to help each other through it with clear routines, consistency and a little bit more patience than normal.

Anna Meredith (Co-opted governor)

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

SPORTS RESULTS:

Football:

Newburgh 2 - 1 St. Nicholas (Jeevan 1, Ben 1). This was a tough match but well done to the team who have now won 5 out of 5 league fixtures this season so far in the large schools league.

Biathlon:

Results have just come through for the county biathlon final earlier on in November. The boys' team of James, Ryan, Sam R, Eddie, Ben and Sam F went to Nuneaton to compete against the best school teams from Coventry, Solihull and the rest of Warwickshire. Out of 18 school teams overall the boys finished in 6th place (and the 2nd overall Warwickshire school) which was a fantastic achievement. The team also finished as the best team from the Central Warwickshire area. Well done to all of the boys who took part so well.

For health and safety reasons, please can we remind children who have long hair that this should be either tied back in a pony tail or similar.

EMAIL COMMUNICATION:

As technology has advanced and we now live in an age of instant communication, we are experiencing a rapid and substantial increase in email communications to teachers. As you can appreciate, a class teacher is teaching during the school day and therefore unable to deal with enquires immediately. Emails from parents regarding their child will therefore be responded to as soon as possible, but within a maximum of 5 working days. If the matter is urgent then please make an appointment through the office to speak with your child's class teacher.