

# **Newburgh Primary School**

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

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What's on this week	Monday 9th September	Tuesday 10th September	Wednesday 11th September	Thursday 12th September	Friday 13th September
Before school 8am-8.55am			Indoor Athletics' Club Y5&6		
Activities during the school day	Violin lessons	Stay and Play group Violin lessons Woodwind lessons Brass lessons School Tour - families with children due to start school Sept 2020 @ 9.30 am	Guitar lessons	Forest School Y3 (Group 1)	Celebration Assembly Year 3 @ 9 am
Lunchtime		Home Learning club			Home Learning club
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)	Girls Choir	Boys Choir	Gardening Club Y5&6	Netball Club Y5&6	

Dear Parents/Guardíans,

I was delighted to see the children return after their summer break. The school felt very empty without them, as staff prepared for the new term.

A new year is always a time for reflection and we began the year, with staff and pupils, by reminding ourselves of the mission, aims and values of Newburgh Primary School. (Please see our website for these) and our one school rule of 'Consideration', all of which underpin the caring ethos of our school.

'Newburgh School very much lives up to its motto, "A caring school where every child matters",' OFSTED.

Kínd regards,

Mrs Simpkins, Headteacher

## **INSTRUMENT LESSONS**

Instrument lessons delivered by Warwickshire Music will commence this week for both existing and new players.

Please ensure that you have returned your signed 'blue' contracts and made payments via ParentPay.

Please note that lessons will not begin until payment is made.

## **PARKING**

Please consider parking a little distance away from school on one of the neighbouring roads or somewhere suitable and taking a short walk to the school gates. <u>Please do not block driveways for our neighbours.</u>

Please be patient as a road user during these busy times and make sure that children's safety is your principal consideration.

#### **LOCKERS**

As junior children have entered school this week they will have noticed the appearance of smart new lockers where coat pegs were once situated.

These have been purchased with the very generous help of Newburgh PTA and are

being made available to children in Years 5 & 6.

Each child will be issued with a locker (without key) in which to store their coats, PE kits and rucksack during the day. Lunch boxes are kept on a trolley in the hall.

In addition to being able to store belongings the removal of the old coat pegs has freed up valuable space which we can use an additional learning environment.

Can we ask you to please remind children not to bring valuable items into school.























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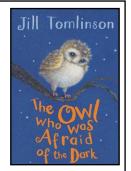
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Our school day begins at 8.55am and the register is taken in class before lessons begin promptly at 9am. Please ensure that children are in school for 8.55am so they can begin their day calmly and with their peers.

### **BOOK SOME TIME -**

The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark, by Jill Tomlinson

This is a heart-warming classic tale of animal antics by Jill Tomlinson. Plop, the Baby Barn Owl, is like every Barn Owl there ever was, except for one thing - he is afraid of the dark. "Dark is nasty" he says and so he won't go hunting with his parents. Mrs Barn Owl sends him down from his nest-hole to ask about the dark and he meets a little boy waiting for the



fireworks to begin, an old lady, a scout out camping, a girl who tells him about Father Christmas, a man with a telescope and a black cat who takes him exploring. Through these encounters, he realises that dark is super after all. Filled with gentle humour and comfort, Jill Tomlinson's animal stories have been enjoyed for decades by children who want to snuggle down with a good read. This edition of The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark is beautifully illustrated by Paul Howard. Perfect for 5-8 Year olds!

#### **NUT ALLERGIES:**

A reminder to all parents that we have a number of children in school with severe nut allergies. If these children come into contact with nuts of any form the consequences can be extremely serious. Whilst we are not a nut free site, please help us to minimise this risk by not including any nuts in lunch boxes, or for snacks, including peanut butter. Please check the products placed in your child's lunchbox. Thank you.

## PTA CORNER

The PTA Annual General Meeting will be on Monday 23rd September at 7.30pm in the school library. Please come along if you are interested in getting involved in the PTA, helping us plan events for the year or helping us decide where to spend the money we raise. If you'd like to know more please email newburghpta@gmail.com or just come along to the meeting.

#### STAY AND PLAY

We would like to invite families with pre-school children (0 to 4 years) to our weekly Stay and Play sessions which take place in Newburgh main school hall each Tuesday from 9.30 - 11 am.

Our theme based sessions include dinosaurs, bugs building, zoo animals and lots, lots more! These sessions are carefully planned according to the children's needs and also includes snack time and singing.

We very much look forward to welcoming you.

## GOVERNORS' CORNER - Mr Ron Binnie, Chair of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers

On behalf of all the Governors, I welcome you and your children back to school for another action-packed school year. I hope you've had a wonderful summer, and that you have enjoyed spending time with your children. A particular welcome for our new Reception Class children. It's always a joy to see the eager faces on our youngest recruits each year. As many of you already know, besides being a governor, I am deeply involved in the musical life of the school, and my weekly singing session with 60 Reception Class children is most definitely the highlight of my week! It always amazes me that after only a few weeks in school, our Reception children will be up on stage presenting their Nativity Play. It's a credit to our outstanding Reception Staff that they achieve so much with so many in so short a time.

Your Governors have many important tasks throughout the school year, and one of the most important takes place early in the autumn term. This is when Mrs Simpkins and her dedicated team presents the school's Learning Improvement Plan to the Governors. This sets out in detail the school's priorities for the year ahead, and how success will be measured. Once the Governors have approved the plan, all parents will receive a summary.

The governors wish you and your children a productive and above all, a happy year ahead.

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



















