



Newburgh Primary School

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

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What's on this week	Monday 25th November	Tuesday 26th November	Wednesday 27th November	Thursday 28th November	Friday 29th November
Before school 8am-8.55am					
Activities during the school day	Violin lessons	Stay and Play group Violin/Woodwind/ Brass lessons	Guitar lessons Lower School Decorations morning 9 - 11.45am Girls Football Match versus Bishopton School	Forest School Y3 (Group 2) School Tour for parents with children due to start school in Sept 20 @ 1.30pm Upper School Decorations morning 9 - 11 am	Y6 Celebration Assembly 9 - 9.30 am Y6 Swimming
Lunchtime	Card swap club	Home Learning club		Orchestra Club	Home Learning club
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)	Girls Choir Reception Multisports Club - Fitt4Kids Y1&2 TAG Rugby Club - Fitt4Kids PTA Meeting 7.30pm	Boys Choir Reception Well being Club	NO Y5 Cookery Club Y1 & 2 Tennis Club run by Coolsportz		

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I met, this week, with our new 'Shakespeare Ambassadors' whose role is to promote the enjoyment of Shakespeare for pupils in the curriculum. The children have attended a training event at the RSC and have developed some great ideas including running a drama club and holding a 'Shakespeare's Got Talent' event in school.



Kind regards,

Mrs Simpkins
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27th November - Lower School Xmas decoration morning (*unable to accommodate younger siblings*)

28th November - Upper School Xmas decoration morning (*unable to accommodate younger siblings*)

3rd December - Nasal flu vaccinations for all children (*consent forms have been sent home, please return fully completed*)

3rd December - Y4 Class assembly 10.20 am & 2.45 pm.

6th December - Non uniform day in return for Tombola Donations.

7th December - Newburgh Xmas Fair

10th December - Y1 to Y6 visit to Snow White Pantomime

Please see attached list for full details of all Christmas events, performances and activities.



COFFEE AFTERNOON - 3RD DECEMBER 2 - 3 PM (main hall)

We welcome parents and carers of children with SEND (or not) to a coffee afternoon.

Representatives from the Family Information Service (FIS) will come along and talk about their service. An opportunity to discover the range of information and services provided to all families across Warwickshire. Please sign up at the school office.



WATER DISPENSERS - LUNCHTIME

We are pleased to report that children now have the choice of 'fruit infused' water as well as plain water during their lunchtimes.

Class Catering have introduced new water cooler type dispensers to each of our dining rooms which are proving popular with the children.





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BOOK SOME TIME - Icarus was Ridiculous by Pamela Butchart

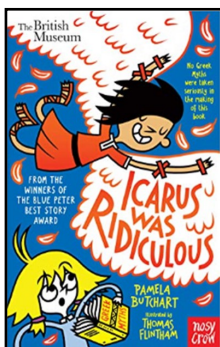
Izzy LOVES all the stories the Ancient Greeks told! She can't wait to tell her friends about Icarus, who was a TOTAL NUMPTY, and the Trojan Horse, which ended a war and wasn't even REAL! So pull up a plinth and enjoy all the DRAMA of the original Greek myths, as told by Pamela Butchart and Thomas Flintham, in collaboration with the British Museum.

This book is recommended by Mia Paxton in Year 3 and here is what Mia has to say about it...

"My favourite character is Izzy because she is funny. This is because she made me laugh when she told the story of the king drinking cappuccino – I think this was Izzy making a joke because in ancient Greece I think they would have drunk water or something like that – maybe wine.

I would have liked to live in ancient Greece. It would have been funny to watch the Gods put funny curses on people. I would not like them to put a curse on me like make me copy everything that somebody says, like Hera did to Echo in Narcissus. I wouldn't have liked to have my leg chopped off. I would rate this story 10/10 because it was interesting and I enjoyed reading it. I would like to read it again."

Thank you for your review Mia!



PTA CORNER

Thank you to everyone who donated cakes and everyone who bought cakes at our sale. We hope that you enjoyed them! We raised a marvellous £170 which will help us fund all of the school activities we support.

We look forward to seeing lots of you at the Christmas Fair on Sat 7th December. We'll be in need of donations of tombola prizes, so any unwanted toiletries, chocolates, sweets or bottles of wine will be very welcome - please put them aside for us. We will also need help to run the fair on the day - if you think you can spare an hour it will be hugely appreciated. Email newburghpta@gmail.com for more info.



GOVERNORS CORNER - Anna Meredith (Co-opted governor)

The other week we had governors' day in school which is always the highlight of the governor calendar, not so much the school dinner sat on a tiny plastic seat surrounded by multiple pairs of enquiring eyes and numerous inquisitive questions from the lower school pupils, but rather the opportunity to see real live lessons in action.

As a secondary school teacher I find it fascinating to see both the crossover in ideas (a Year 2 teacher, for example, mentioned a WAGOLL: What a good one looks like – a method we also use in my school to model and share good practice) and the differences too.

We know that children learn in different ways and we know they're not designed to sit down and listen for long periods at a time (something we suddenly expect of them come Year 7), so I always find it heartening to see things like pupils running around the playground in the middle of a lesson to re-invigorate their bodies and brains, learning standing up to keep them focused or, my particular favourite the other week, acting out sums using gestures to demonstrate and consolidate their understanding.

The numerous ways in which children learn (kinaesthetic, auditory, oral, the list goes on...) is fundamental to their progress and will play a large part in their independent learning at Key Stage 3 and 4 when they will need to decide how best to revise and study for their exams. So maybe the question we should be asking when our children get home is not 'What did you learn today' but rather 'How did you learn today?'

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

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS

Last week, years 3-6 at Newburgh took part in Maths Week England where we competed online with children across the country to achieve the highest number of correct answers on our Times Table Rockstars accounts. Although we did not win any of the national prizes, many of our pupils showed great commitment throughout the week with their multiplication scores hugely improving. Well done in particular to the two winning Rock Stars from each class who scored the highest number of correct answers:

6ES: Logan and Jay

6RC: Dylan and Bayley

5HR: Dylan and Ryan

5PM: Laura and Olivia

4MP: Joseph and George

4ER: Kairo and Olivia

3BF: Hannah and Ethan

3TB: Francesca and Oliver

