

Newlands Primary School

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Key Dates:

October 2024

24th Discos

25th Break up for half term at 3.10pm

November 2024

4th Children return to school

15th Bags 2 Schools

25th **INSET Day** - school closed to children

December 2024

13th Flu vaccinations

20th Break up for Christmas at 1.30pm

January 2025

6th Children return to school

February 2025

14th Break up for half term at 3.10pm

24th Children return to school

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy few weeks in school with lots of fantastic learning opportunities and collaboration to support others, resulting in amazing outcomes. The children have been proud to share their work with me and talk about their learning. To consolidate and enhance their knowledge and understanding, year 5 visited Winchester Science Centre yesterday and enjoyed the hands on approach ensuring the experiences were memorable and informative. Earlier in the week year 6 visited The Museum of Army Flying where they discovered more about the story of British Army flying, linked to their History topic of WW2.

When I walk around the school it is wonderful to hear the buzz of excitement and focus. Please ask your child each day to share their favourite part of their learning journey with you. One of my highlights this week was on Monday, when some of the children led our Harvest assembly, including listening to our guest from Yateley Food Pantry. Thank you so much for the array of contributions, they were very grateful and have invited the children to look around the pantry to see it in action. A great example of 'belonging' to our local community.

Lastly, the children may have shared with you, that I have introduced behaviour values around the school. Following discussions with the children and staff, we have chosen; Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be respectful and Be Kind. More information about these will follow next half term through our whole school assemblies, rewards and the newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Martin and the team at Newlands.

Helping Hands

As you will be aware, it is becoming increasingly more difficult to sustain school environments as we would wish them to be. Part of my vision for Newlands and its pupils is to ensure the opportunities available for all children are as inviting and useable as possible. I am sure within the parent community we have a range of skill sets and am asking, if you are able to share your expertise and a little time at points throughout the year please do let the school office know so we can add you to our list of willing

volunteers! Many thanks.



Attendance

Each week in celebration assembly, I award an attendance trophy to the class or classes with the highest % for the previous week. The Government set a minimum target of 95% and monitor this very closely, as do we. There is new guidance set out by the DfE in relation to the new National Framework for issuing penalty notices, please follow the link to read.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/66bf300da44f1c4c23e5bd1b/Working_together_to_improve_school_attendance_-_August_2024.pdf

30.9.24 – 4.10.24

1st - Year 1 – 99.5%

2nd - Year 3 - 99%

3rd - Year 2 – 98.3%



7.10.24 – 11.10.24

1st - Year 1 - 100%

2nd - Year 3 + Year 6 - 98.8%

3rd - Year 4 - 98.6%

Parent 'Drop- In'.

It was lovely to see so many of you at parents' evening this week. Next half term, there will be an opportunity for you to 'drop – in' after school, and spend a few minutes with your child looking at their work together. This will enable your child to share their learning and show you the work they are proudest of. Date coming soon.

Stars of the Week – 11.10.24 + 18.10.24

Chestnut class – Faith and Seb

Willow class – Harvey, Amelia, Henry and Ben

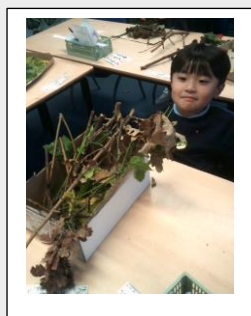
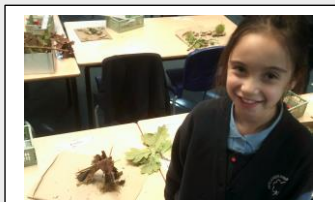
Oak class – Yvie, Isla, George and Luca

Silver Birch class – Sophie, Ava, Kit and Amelia

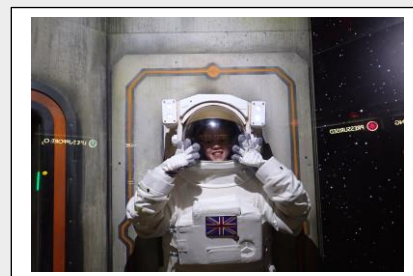
Maple class – Blake, Harry, Ben and Freya

Beech class – Ivy, Ralph, Henry and Lucie

Rowan class – Annabelle, Myles, Tabitha and Lyla



Year 3 and Year 5



WHO TO CONTACT IF YOU HAVE A CONCERN ABOUT A CHILD

If you are worried about a child's safety, please do not hesitate to contact any of the Designated Safeguarding Leads straight away.

The following members of staff are Designated Safeguarding Leads for Newlands Primary School:

- *Mrs Diane Martin
- *Mrs Danielle Owens
- *Mrs Laura Harris (DDSL)

They can be contacted through the school office via email enquiries@newlands.sch.uk or telephone on 01252871188

Safeguarding Governor: Mr Rob Sales

For a copy of our school's Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy, please visit our school website or ask at the school office.