# Newbald Primary School

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## Monday 3rd November 2025

## Welcome Back!

I hope everyone has had a lovely half term break. There's a real buzz around school as we begin a busy and exciting few weeks in the run-up to Christmas. This half term brings new topics, special events and a few festive treats to look forward to!

As always, our newsletters seem to be growing into more of a *news-book* each time, so thank you for taking the time to read through everything. We really do appreciate it, and we hope it helps you stay connected with all the exciting things happening across school.
All newsletters are also available on our school website should you ever wish to look back at previous issues:
👉 Newbald Newsletters
Here's to another half term full of learning, laughter and plenty of fun! 🐴✨





















# Design & Technology Week

The children really impressed us once again during our Design and Technology Week just before the half term break.

Class 1 kicked off their new space topic by creating some wonderful rockets.

Class 2 used tools to make an axle for their buses and even included a working circuit to power the headlights!

Class 3 embraced the World War II message of *make do and mend* by using their sewing skills to create a patchwork, wadded blanket.

Meanwhile, the budding chefs in Class 4 used their culinary skills to cook a hearty stew using World War I rations.

We're always proud of our pupils' creativity and practical skills, but their work this time has been truly exceptional.





























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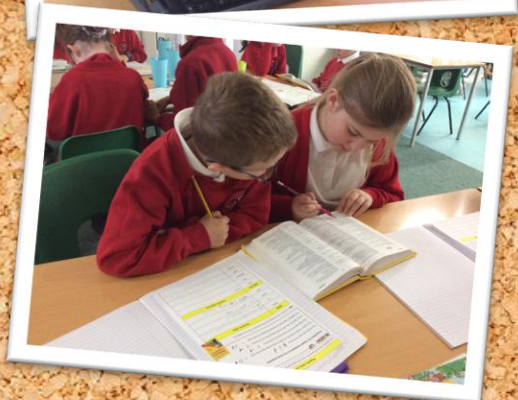


| | Hedgehog Class | Squirrel Class | Fox Class | Otter Class |
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| **Autumn 2** | Space  | The Polar Regions  | U.S.A & North America  | Brazil & South America   |









## Topics for the next half Term 📚

The children have learned a great deal about their topics this half term, and it's been wonderful to hear them talk so confidently about what they've discovered. An overview of the topics for the next half term can be seen above.

Next half term, our classes will be exploring some exciting new themes:
**Class 1** – *Space* 🚀 🪐 🔭
**Class 2** – *The Polar Regions* 🐻‍❄️ 🐧 ❄️
**Class 3** – *The USA and North America* 🗽 🌎 🇺🇸
**Class 4** – *Brazil and South America* 🦜 ⚽ 🇧🇷

We always try to share as much information as possible about our curriculum and what the children will be learning on their journey through school. You can find full details on our website using the links below:

**2025–2026 Long Term Plan**
https://newbaldprimary.org.uk/curriculum/long_term_plan___curriculum/long_term_plan___curriculum.html
**Curriculum Pages on the School Website**
https://newbaldprimary.org.uk/curriculum/curriculum.html

# Parent's Evenings



Our first Parents' Evenings of the year will take place on **Wednesday 26th** and **Thursday 27th November**. Please look out for the letter coming home soon with details about how to book your appointment.

Parents' Evening is always a lovely opportunity to see the classrooms and look through your child's books. Please don't ever feel you need to wait until then if there's something you'd like to discuss. Teachers are regularly available for a quick chat on the playground before or after school, and you can always contact them by email if that's easier.

We're really looking forward to catching up with everyone and talking about how the children have settled into the new school year.





# Zumba Day

Get ready to move! Pupils will need their PE kits on **Wednesday 12th November**, when all classes will take part in a fun session with our visiting Zumba expert.

Zumba is a high-energy, dance-based fitness class that combines Latin and international music with aerobic exercise and dance styles. It's a full-body workout designed to be accessible and enjoyable for everyone. This will be a fantastic opportunity for all pupils to try something a little different, get active, and enjoy plenty of smiles along the way!



# Individual Photographs Day

Don't forget to brush your hair on **Wednesday 19th November. The** school photographer will be visiting to take individual photos of the children. We're looking forward to lots of smart smiles and happy faces!



# Staffing Update

What's better than one Mr Wilson? Two! We're delighted to welcome Mr L. Wilson (Jnr), who has joined Class 4 as a Teaching Assistant in the mornings. With two Mr Wilsons now on the team, we'll have to be clear when referring to Senior and Junior!

Miss Alcock has now taken on the role of SENDCO (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator). She's already well known to many of our families and will do a brilliant job leading this area. Mrs Drinnan, who has done a fantastic job as SENDCO, has stepped back from the role but will thankfully continue to support us as SEND Assistant, sharing her expertise and advice with staff and pupils.

If you have any SEND questions or would like to discuss your child's support, you can contact Miss Alcock at halcock@newbaldprimary.co.uk.









# Arbor Operating System, Texts and Emails

Thank you for bearing with us while we made the move from ScholarPack to Arbor. Despite a few early hiccups, we're now embracing the new system and believe things are running smoothly. Please do let us know if you spot any issues so we can resolve them quickly.

With this change, we're also aiming for greater consistency in how we contact you. We'll now email for most updates and information, and ClassDojo will continue to be used for class reminders. For anything urgent or important, we'll call (and occasionally text) instead.

## Volunteers

We're always extremely grateful to anyone who can offer their time to help out in school. Volunteers make a real difference, whether it's listening to children read, helping with times tables, or supporting learning in other ways.

If you'd like to volunteer in one of our classes, please speak to or email the office staff to start the process. We do ask that volunteers support in classes other than their own child's, as this helps to avoid distractions.

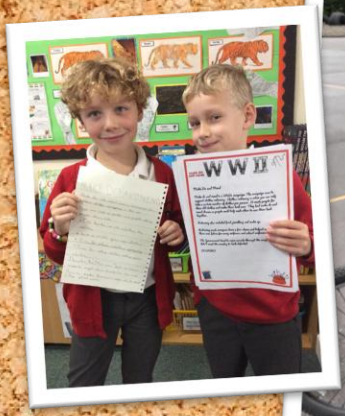
As with staff, all volunteers are subject to our safeguarding procedures. This is a vital part of keeping our children safe, and we really appreciate your understanding as we complete these checks.













## School Lunches

Our school lunches continue to be really popular, and it's lovely to see the children enjoying such a wide range of meals each week. Please make sure lunches are paid for in advance via ParentPay. If you experience any difficulties or need support, please contact the school office and we'll be happy to help.



## Pupil Premium

Do you, or anyone you know, receive Universal Credit? If so, please consider applying for Free School Meals. As well as helping with the cost of meals, it also enables the school to access additional funding (called *Pupil Premium*) which directly supports pupils in receipt of this funding.
You can find out more and apply using the link below, or speak to the office if you'd like any help with the process. We're always happy to assist.
https://www.eastriding.gov.uk/learning/schools-colleges-and-academies/school-meals/free-school-meals/



## Grapes Cut in Half Please

A quick reminder that grapes, and any other foods that could pose a choking hazard, should be cut in half for all pupils. We know some children prefer their fruit whole, but pupil safety at lunchtime is always our priority. Thank you for your support in helping us keep everyone safe.

## Car Parking Reminder

Some of our neighbouring residents have kindly asked us to remind parents to park considerately at drop-off and pick-up times. Please take extra care not to block driveways or junctions when parking near school. Thank you for helping us to keep good relationships with our neighbours and to make the area safer for everyone.

## Class 2 Visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park

Class 2 will be visiting the Yorkshire Wildlife Park on **Friday 14th November**. The children will get the chance to see the largest collection of polar bears in England and take part in an expert-led session linked to their *Polar Regions* topic.

Although this visit falls on Children in Need Day, pupils will need to wear school uniform for the trip. We'll instead be holding our Children in Need non-uniform day on Thursday 13th November, so that everyone can join in together.

## Absences

Please inform the office if your child is absent from school. If no one is available to take your call, you can leave a message on our answer machine at any time. This also applies to pupils booked into our nursery.
It's an important part of our safeguarding procedures that we know where every child is and that they are safe. Thank you for your support in helping us with this.
**Office Phone:** 01430 827612




## House Cross Country Competition

Last half term, every class took part in our Autumn Term House Cross Country competition. The children showed brilliant effort, determination and team spirit throughout. Congratulations to our winning house, Kindness!



## Sunshine Club

A polite reminder to pre-book any Sunshine Club sessions in advance. Our before and after school club is becoming increasingly popular, and there are times when we are fully booked. Please book early to avoid disappointment.
Sunshine Club opens at **7:30am**, which is the earliest time children can be left with staff. Children can only be accepted after this time.

## Nut Free!

A reminder that our school is nut free. All items on our school menu are free from nuts, and we ask that any food brought in from home also follows this rule. Please make sure that packed lunches and any treats or gifts for other pupils do not contain nuts, including peanut butter as a sandwich filling. Thank you for helping us keep all our pupils safe.




## Bicycles & Scooters

A reminder that bicycles and scooters should be wheeled, not ridden, while on the school site. We actively encourage children to walk or cycle to school, and we're pleased to have our own bike and scooter shelter available.
Please make sure your child gets off their bike or scooter once on the school grounds and walks it across the playground. The same applies at the end of the day, as bikes and scooters should not be ridden on the playground.
Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping to keep everyone safe.





## Please Name Uniform

Please make sure that all items of clothing and book bags have your child's name or initials inside. We've had an increasing amount of lost property recently, and named items can be returned to their owners much more easily and quickly.
Thank you for your help with this.









## This Half Term's Clubs.

This half term we are running Computer Club and Archery Club. Both have proved very popular, so we're delighted that they will be continuing next half term.

We're always looking to increase the range and variety of clubs on offer for all ages, and we'll share details of any new clubs as soon as we can.

Don't forget, clubs can be booked one session at a time, so children are welcome to try them out before committing to more. Sessions can be booked up to 24 hours before they start. If a club becomes fully booked, please contact the office to add your child's name to the waiting list in case a space becomes available.

## Collection Passwords

Please make sure that any adults collecting your child (particularly grandparents) know your child's unique collection password. This helps us to keep everyone safe and makes the end of the day run smoothly.

Please also keep the school office updated with details of who has permission to collect your child. If you would like your child to walk home alone, or to be collected by someone under the age of 18, we'll need confirmation of this by email.







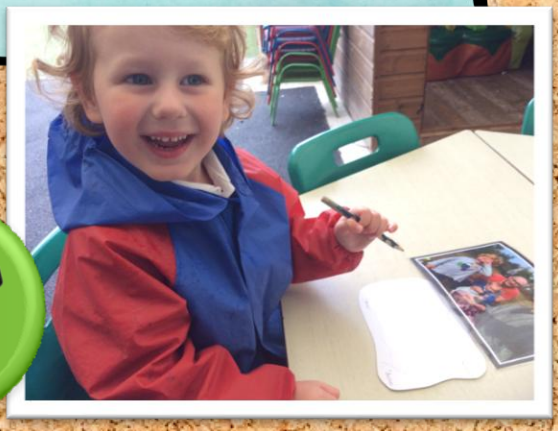


## Thank you

A huge thank you to all our parents and carers for recommending Newbald Primary and Nursery. Your kind words really are our best form of advertising. Please keep sharing your positive experiences with others, as it truly makes a difference and helps our school community continue to grow.

## Nursery Places

We're delighted that interest in our nursery continues to grow. As our popularity increases, places are becoming more limited, with some weekdays now fully booked. We encourage families to book early to avoid disappointment.







## In year places and Reception Places for 2026 and beyond

If you know any children due to start school next September, now is the time for families to begin making decisions about which school is right for them. We're always happy to welcome parents for a tour of Newbald and to share how we aim to achieve beyond expectations across the curriculum.

We also have a small number of in-year spaces for pupils who may be considering moving primary schools From Year 1 to Year 5. If you know any parents currently making this decision, please recommend us and encourage them to contact the school office to arrange a visit.

# Attendance Update 📈

We know that our parents and carers recognise the importance of good attendance and punctuality, and we thank you for your efforts in getting the children to school every day. Thank you also for booking holidays, dental appointments and other non-urgent commitments during school holidays, as this really helps to improve attendance.

While our figures so far this year are not quite as high as last academic year, they remain excellent and well above the national average. We continue to aim for the highest possible attendance for all our pupils.

Towards the end of this half term, we will email parents with an update on their child's attendance so that everyone is more aware of their current percentage.

If you have any worries about your child's attendance, please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss strategies that might help. For more information, please see our Attendance and Absence Policy using the link below:

https://newbaldprimary.org.uk/_documents/%5B1032439%5DAttendance___Absence_Policy_2025.pdf




📊 Statistics nationally show that those pupils with higher attendance achieve higher academically, and our own data shows that this is also true at Newbald. Every day really does matter!

## A new Attendance Badge ⭐

To recognise the outstanding attendance that some pupils maintain, we have introduced a special iridescent star badge. This rare award celebrates pupils who achieve 99% attendance or better in consecutive academic years — a truly impressive target!

Pupils who reach this milestone will receive the iridescent badge in addition to their gold attendance badge at the end of the year.

🐎 On the next page we have shared some of our school attendance statistics.

# Some School Attendance Statistics ⭐📈

The school's attendance for this academic year so far:

## 98%

This is outstanding! We work towards a goal of the highest attendance possible for all children and aim for individual attendance to be 97% or higher. Our attendance is significantly above national primary school average (95.7%). At this stage last year we had an attendance of 98.3%

## 73.7%

of pupils are on track for an attendance of 97% or better. At this stage last year we had 83.3% of pupils on track.

## 50 pupils

have 100% attendance. This is 52.6% of the pupils at Newbald Primary (including nursery pupils). Last year's statistic was 61.4% of pupils.

## Year 4

are the year group with the highest attendance with an impressive 99.48%! Year 3 are hot on their heels with an impressive attendance of 99.46% and then we have Year 5 with an excellent attendance of 98.2% Fantastic!

## Fox Class 🦊

Are the class with the highest attendance so far this year with 99.21%



# Term Time Holidays 🏖️

Unfortunately, schools are not able to authorise term time holidays. Both local authority and national guidance were updated over a year ago, and we want to ensure all parents are aware of this important information. Further details can be found on the next page and on our school website:
👉 Newbald Primary Attendance Information
This web-page also includes a link to the East Riding local authority's advice on attendance.
Please remember that all pre-planned absences (for example, anything other than illness) require an absence form to be completed and returned to the office. Paper copies are available from the office, or you can access a digital version via the link above.
All absences, whether authorised or unauthorised, contribute to a pupil's overall attendance percentage. While absences for children under five can be authorised, they still affect attendance figures and mean valuable learning experiences are missed during these crucial early years.
Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us maintain excellent attendance across the school.

At the beginning of last school year, the local authority asked schools to share a helpful poster explaining the changes to penalty notices that came into effect on 19th August 2024. As this information is still current, we thought it would be useful to share it again with parents. For more details, please visit the East Riding website:

👉 Holidays During Term Time and Authorised Absence from School

# EVERY SCHOOL DAY MATTERS

## MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

## PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ARE CHANGING

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into effect for Penalty Notice Fines issued after the **19 August 2024**.

Penalty Notices are issued to change behaviour and reduce the number of school days lost during term time for the purpose of a holiday. The pathway below outlines the decision-making process regarding the action that will be taken when a penalty notice referral is received from your child's school. However, please be aware that action will be considered on a case-by-case basis and may not follow this path.

### PER PARENT PER CHILD

Penalty Notice Fines are issued on a per parent per child basis.

For example, a fine for a parent with three children will result in receiving three invoices to the value of **£160 each**.

### FIVE CONSECUTIVE DAYS OF TERM TIME LEAVE

Penalty Notice Fines will be issued for term time leave of **five or more consecutive days.**

Inset training days are school days and can be included in the five or more consecutive days where there was intent to be absent for term time leave.

### 10 SESSIONS OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE IN A 10 WEEK PERIOD

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there have been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period.

### FIRST OFFENCE

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance the amount will be **£160 per parent per child paid within 28 days.**

Reduced to **£80 per parent per child if paid within 21 days.**

### SECOND OFFENCE (WITHIN THREE YEARS)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for term time leave or irregular attendance, the amount will be **£160 per parent per child within 28 days.**

### THIRD OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCES (WITHIN THREE YEARS)

The third time an offence is committed for term time leave or irregular attendance, a Penalty Notice will not be issued and the case with be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court.

Magistrates' fines can be **up to £2,500 per parent per child.** Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate due to the ***'failure to safeguard a child's education'.***




*[1] Parent: In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, "parent", in relation to a child or young person, includes any person - who is not a parent of his but who has parental responsibility for him, or (b) who has care of him. Education Act 1996, section 576*

For more information, please visit:

eastriding.gov.uk/learning/schools-colleges-and-academies/school-attendance/attendance-in-school

gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance

# Metacognition, Executive Functioning, Self-Regulated Learning and Personal Development

Wow, that sounds like a mouthful! But rather than being just educational jargon, this is a really exciting project we're developing at Newbald.

## 💭 What is Metacognition?

Metacognition is all about *thinking about thinking*. We're helping pupils become more aware of how they learn, so they can plan, monitor and evaluate their own progress more effectively.

## 🧩 Executive Functioning

Executive functioning refers to the mental skills that help us to plan, focus, remember instructions and manage multiple tasks. We'll be introducing practical strategies to help pupils build these skills and create helpful learning routines.

## 🎯 Self-Regulated Learning

This is closely linked to both metacognition and executive functioning. Pupils learn to take control of their own learning by setting goals, monitoring their progress and adjusting strategies along the way - including learning to take appropriate risks without fear of success or failure.

## 🌱 Personal Development

The personal development strand of this project focuses on building self-awareness, social skills and character, helping every pupil to reach their potential.

## 🧰 The Learning Toolkit

Children will be using our new Learning Toolkit strategies in class to take greater ownership of their learning, understanding what they're good at and what they need to improve.

We'll also be giving pupils more opportunities to mix beyond their year groups, building social and problem-solving skills through classic strategic games such as dominoes, snakes and ladders, Connect Four, draughts and chess. They'll be encouraged to take appropriate risks and learn to regulate their emotions - whether they win or lose!

## 🕵️ Mini-Topic: Problem Solving

Later this year, we'll be running a two-day mini-topic focused on problem-solving. We'll be welcoming *Wise Up* to lead a whole-school *Whodunit*-style team-building day, followed by a second day where pupils will apply their English and maths skills to problem-solving challenges.

We'll share more details closer to the time and look forward to keeping you updated as this exciting project develops.



# Friends of Newbald School (FONS)

A huge thank you to our friends of the school team and our whole community for supporting their events. The money raised makes a huge difference to our school!

https://newbaldprimary.org.uk/parents/friends_of_newbald_school__fons_/fons.html

## Autumn Fair

A massive thank you to all our parents and the amazing FONS team for staging and supporting the FONS Autumn Fair. It was a fantastic event with lots of happy faces!
The FONS team have said it looks like the fair has raised over £500! Thank you again for your brilliant support and generosity.



## Visit of Father Christmas

FONS are currently organising a visit from Santa on Friday 12th Dec. He is taking time out of his busy schedule to visit after School. We need some 'Santa's helpers' to make the occasion really special for the children. If anyone would like to volunteer, please get in touch with a member of the FONS team or the school office. Watch out for a really exciting FONS Christmas raffle coming soon! More details are on the next page.



FRIENDS OF NEWBALD SCHOOL

# CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

## YOUR CHANCE TO CONTRIBUTE!

We're building an amazing prize list for the FONS Christmas Raffle this year, and we know our talented parent community has a lot to offer!

Could you or your business donate a prize that would excite our raffle participants?

We're looking for vouchers, experiences, new quality items, or special bottles to add to our growing collection.

**Every thoughtful donation helps us raise more funds for our school.**

IF YOU CAN HELP, PLEASE DROP DONATIONS AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE, MESSAGE US ON FACEBOOK, OR EMAIL

**friendsofnewbaldschool@gmail.com**



FRIENDS OF NEWBALD SCHOOL

# CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

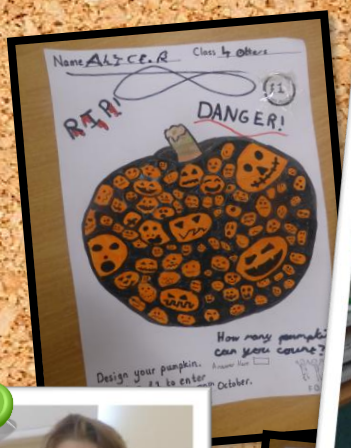
## YOUR CHANCE TO WIN BIG!

FONS Christmas Raffle tickets will be coming home in school bags shortly. This year, we're encouraging everyone to go big – sell to friends, family, and neighbours! All are welcome to enter.

Make sure you're following 'Friends of Newbald Primary School' on Facebook to see the amazing prizes revealed!




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# FONS Pumpkin Design Competition

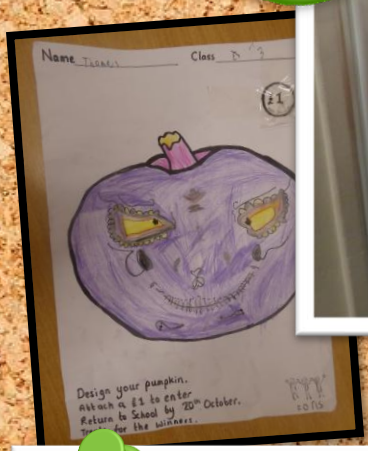
There were some fantastic and imaginative entries for the FONS *Design a Pumpkin* competition. A huge thank you to everyone who took part, and congratulations to our brilliant winners!



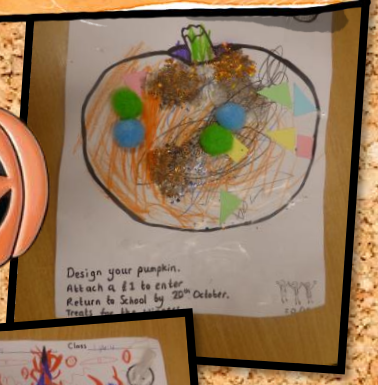


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# Messages from School Council

## School Council

We are very proud to introduce ourselves as joint Chairs of School council. We have been elected along with representatives across the school. We have already got straight to work by deciding on roles in school council and we have two great fundraising projects that we are organising this half term. The first is raising money for the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal and the second is raising money for Children in Need.

Ella & Olivia

Miss E. Laister & Miss O. Cheesman
(Joint Chairs of School Council)

## Poppy Appeal

With Remembrance Day approaching, School Council will be selling poppies and a range of items to raise money for the Royal British Legion. Poppy Appeal items will be on sale straight after half term. Traditional poppies cost 20p, enamel pin badges are £2, and other items such as pencils, reflectors and snap bands are 50p each. All money raised will go towards helping to support serving and ex-service members of the armed forces and their families. We ask that any children wishing to buy items have the correct change.




ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Thursday
13th
November

# BBC CHILDREN IN NEED

## Children in Need 2025

We will be celebrating Children in Need Day on Thursday 13th November. Although the television appeal is the following day, this clashes with Class 2's trip, so we have chosen a day when everyone can join in together.

This year, School Council voted for a Pyjama Non-Uniform Day! Children can come to school in pyjamas, onesies, dressing gowns and other comfy nightwear (sensible footwear, and underwear please!) if children prefer, they could simply wear something spotty, yellow or simply their own choice of clothes (we want everyone to be comfortable).

Children in Need supports thousands of charities and projects across the UK, helping children and families in need of extra support. Donations can be made either in cash or digitally through a link we will share closer to the date.

Thank you for your support in helping us make a difference.

the lives of children across the UK!



Ella & Olivia

Miss E. Laister & Miss O. Cheesman
(Joint Chairs of School Council)

# Diary Dates





Monday
1st
December

## Magic Carpet Theatre Monday 1st December (pm)

Thankyou to our FONS team for once again funding our Christmas show. Every class will be looking forward to seeing the performance by our friends from Magic Carpet Theatre. They will once again be back in school on Monday 1st December.





## FONS Visit of Father Christmas

Friday 12th December
(After School 3:30pm)



The Friends of the school have managed to arrange with Father Christmas to take time out of his busy schedule to come and visit the children at Newbald Primary after school on Friday 12th December. Look out for more details from the FONS team for what promises to be a magical event.

Friday
12th
December

Thursday
11th
December

## KS1 Nativity Performances Thursday 11th December



### Dress Rehearsal: 9:30am
### Performance to Parents: 5:30pm

The children in Classes 1 & 2 will soon be starting to rehearse for their Nativity performance and they will be looking forward to performing it to our parents and carers on Thursday 11th December at 5:30pm. Details of tickets and how these can be purchased will be shared shortly.

If parents cannot make the 5:30 performance, we will have limited tickets available for the dress rehearsal.



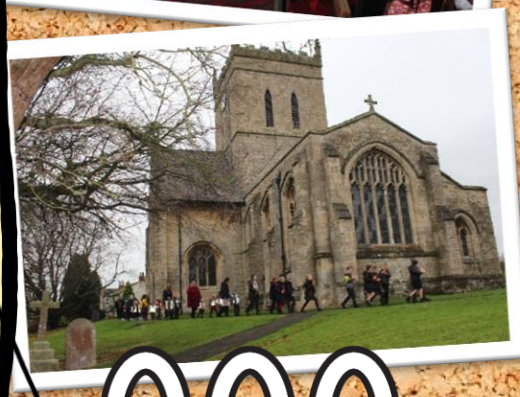




## Christingle Concert at St Nicholas Church Wednesday 10th December - 1:30pm



We will also be looking forward to our Christingle Concert at St Nicholas Church. All children from the school will be visiting St Nicolas Church on the afternoon of Wednesday 10th December to take part in a Christingle Concert. This is due to start at approximately 1:30pm. The children will be singing some traditional Christmas songs as part of the service with Reverend Bushby. Parents are welcome to attend (and join in with the songs) and we look forward to seeing you there! Please note that seating at the church is limited so please arrive early to secure a seat.



Wednesday
10th
December

Wednesday
17th
December

## Christmas Lunch Wednesday 17th December

This year the Children's Christmas lunch will be on Wednesday 17th December.







## Christmas Non - Uniform Day & Christmas Parties Thursday 18th December

Christmas parties for all classes will be on Thursday 18th December. Once again classes 1 & 2 will be teaming up to have their Christmas party during the morning and Classes 3 & 4 will join together for their Christmas revelry in the afternoon.

Thursday 18th will also be a festive non-uniform day. Children can choose to wear clothing of their choice, party clothes or something festive in return for a donation. All money raised will go to the school. Any donations will be gratefully received.

Thursday
18th
December



Monday
15th
December

## Autumn Term Awards Assembly Monday 15th December - 9:15am



We love to celebrate the achievements of our amazing children by awarding some trophies and certificates to some children who have been working especially hard over the term. Although all our parents and carers are welcome to attend any of our awards assemblies, parents will be contacted if their child will be receiving an award. It would be fantastic if you could join us for the assembly on Monday 16th December at 9:15am.

# Diary Dates

*(We will let you know about any forthcoming dates as soon as possible)*

## November 2025

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|---|---|
| Mon 3rd Nov | Return to school after half term |
| Tues 11th Nov | Remembrance Day |
| Wed 12th | Zumba Day |
| Thurs14th Nov | Children in Need Pyjama Non-Uniform Day |
| Friday 14th Nov | Class 2 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park |
| Wed 19th Nov | Individual Photographs |
| Wed 26th Nov | Parent's Evening |
| Thurs 27th Nov | Personal Development Games Day |
| Thurs 27th Nov | Parent's Evening |

## December 2025

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| Mon 1st Dec | Magic Carpet Theatre |
| Mon 1st Dec | Full Governing Body Meeting |
| Wed 10th Dec | Christingle Concert at St Nicholas Church (1:30pm) |
| Thurs 11th Dec | Class 1 & 2 Nativity Dress Rehearsal 9:30am |
| Thurs 11th Dec | Class 1 & 2 Nativity Performance 5:30pm |
| Fri 12th Dec | FONS Visit of Father Christmas |
| Mon 15th Dec | Awards Assembly (9:15) |
| Wed 17th Dec | Christmas Lunch |
| Thurs 18th Dec | Class Christmas Parties & Non-Uniform Day |
| Fri 19th Dec | Break for Christmas |

## January 2026

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| Tues 6th Jan | Return to school after half term |
| Fri 9th Jan | Swimming begins for Years 3,4 & 5 (pm) |
| Tues 13th Jan | Year 4 Pedestrian Skills (am) |
| Fri 16th Jan | Swimming for Years 3,4 & 5 (pm) |
| Wed 21st Jan | Class 3 & 4 Bradford Trip (TBC) |
| Fri 23rd Jan | Swimming for Years 3,4 & 5 (pm) |
| Fri 30th Jan | Swimming for Years 3,4 & 5 (pm |

## February 2026

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| Fri 6th Feb | Swimming for Years 3,4 & 5 (pm) |
| Fri 13th Feb | Swimming for Years 3,4 & 5 (pm |
| Fri 13th Feb | Break for half term |
| Mon 23rd Feb | Return to school after half term |

## Regular Dates for this half term

**Daily**

Sunshine Morning Club
Sunshine Club After School Session
Sunshine Club After School Late Session

**Mondays**

School Council Meetings
**After School Computer Club**

**Tuesdays**

Specialist French teacher sessions in Fox & Otter Classes
Music & Guitar sessions in Fox & Otter Classes

**Wednesdays**

**Thursdays**

**After School First Steps Archery Club**

**Fridays**

HSS Sports & Gymnastics specialist sessions for Hedgehog & Fox Classes
Special Mention Celebration Assemblies

## Link to the 2025-2026 term dates:

Click on the dates below to see the term dates

2025 - 2026

2026 - 2027

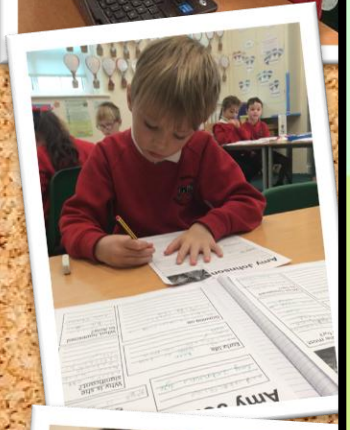
# 'The Newbald Way' - Our School Vision, Values and Aims

Below is our school vision, values and aims – capturing what makes Newbald Primary such a special place to learn and grow. We've worked hard to present this in a way that is clear, inspiring and meaningful for everyone in our community – pupils, parents, staff and friends alike.

We're incredibly proud to be part of Newbald Primary School. You'll often hear us talk about doing things *"the Newbald Way"*. This is our road to excellence – the unique approach that brings us together and drives everything we strive to achieve.









## Newbald Primary School

At Newbald Primary School, we do things 'the Newbald way!' We are dedicated to creating a nurturing and inspiring environment where every child thrives and aims to achieve beyond expectations. Impossible is just an opinion!




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- Nurturing a child-centred approach, inspiring a love for lifelong learning
- Empowering every child with the confidence, knowledge and skills to reach their potential
- Welcoming diversity and inclusion
- Building values, of respect, kindness, positivity and determination
- Achieving, beyond expectations
- Learning with imagination and innovation, through a high-quality, broad and balanced curriculum
- Developing a culture of where we take appropriate risk



Together, we strive to achieve excellence at Newbald Primary School!