



Newbald Primary School

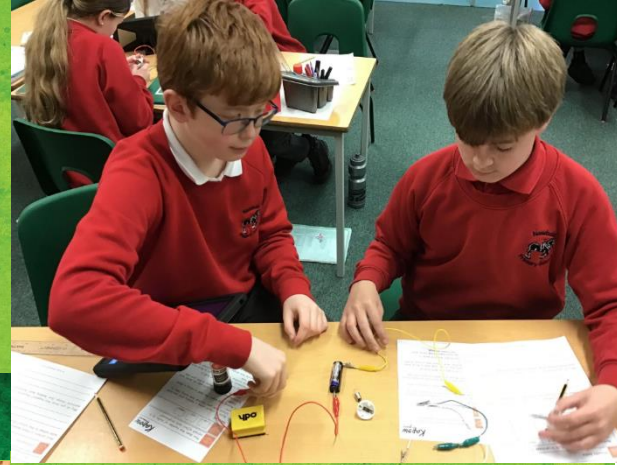
Thursday 11th April 2024

I hope everyone had a fantastic Easter. Please find the latest messages and updates of everything at Newbald Primary.

Spring Term Video

The children were very busy over the Spring term. Click on the link below to see a video of selection of pictures. It's great to welcome the children back where the children will have even more fun learning opportunities throughout the Summer Term.

https://youtu.be/wG_ZsjRB20k?si=3bIXPJp1ompvTHID



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Year 6 SATS

It is that time of year where our Year 6s will be doing their Statutory Assessments. The week beginning 13th May is SATs week for the Year 6 children. To help the children get into the right frame of mind for the tests, we thought that it would be a good idea for them to come into school for breakfast each day. There will be a variety of food and drink to choose from including cereals, toast and fruit juice available for the children, that the school will provide free of charge (they may still want to have a breakfast at home as well - I know of one or two that will!). The Year 6 children can come into school from 8.30am.

The timetable for the tests is as follows:

Date	Test
Monday Morning 13th May:	Grammar and Punctuation Test & Spelling Test
Tuesday Morning 14th May:	Reading Test
Wednesday Morning 15th May:	Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic & Maths Paper 2: Mathematical Reasoning
Thursday Morning 16th May:	Maths Paper 3: Mathematical Reasoning

*Writing assessments are now taken throughout the year and an overall writing grade is awarded from these - no 'test' is taken during SATs week.

Miss Morris and I have been pleased with how hard the children have worked in their preparation for the tests. We want them to do their best and work hard, but do not want them to panic or get 'stressed' about them. Please reassure your child that as long as they try their best, that really is all we ask. We will be asking the children to try and get early nights during the week, so they get up feeling fresh and energised.

A reminder that it is very important that the children are in school each day during the week.



Newbald Primary Weather Station

Slow-the-Flow have installed a fantastic weather station which will be able to give real-time-live data to the pupils, and also to our wider community. Although the 'set up' of the station is still in process, the data being recorded by the weather station can be accessed using the link below for any budding weather enthusiasts wanting to be Newbald's next Paul Hudson or Keeley Donovan.

<https://www.wunderground.com/dashboard/pws/IYORK288>

Easter Bingo

Thank you to everyone for supporting the recent Easter Bingo evening. A lot of fun was had as the numbers were called out and lots of chocolatey prizes were won! A total of £350 was raised. Fund raising projects like this are vastly important in raising vital funds we are appreciative of everyone who has helped and contributed to this event.



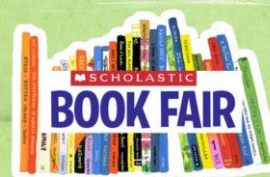
Comic Relief

Thank you for purchasing noses and jokebooks for Comic Relief. We raised £137.40 for this fantastic charity.

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School Book Fair



A huge thank you to everyone who attended the annual book fair this year. We sold over £509 pounds worth of books and stationery which means that we have received £203 in commission. We will use this to buy books for our classrooms and some will be used to purchase prizes for future school competitions. Thanks also go to Mrs Rees for organising the fair and to the staff who stayed behind after school to help us run the fair.

Cricket

The children in all our classes enjoyed a session led by Dom from Yorkshire Cricket Club. Although the weather was far from being perfect cricketing conditions, the children loved learning about the sport and joining in the activities. Thankyou to Yorkshire Cricket Club for running the activities for the children.



Topics

It is great to see our children enjoying learning about their topics in the classroom. For your information, the topics each class will be learning about throughout the Summer Term are below.

	Hedgehog Class	Squirrel Class	Fox Class	Otter Class
Summer 1	Minibeasts 	An Island Home (Scotland) 	Forests 	The Mayan Civilisation 
Summer 2	Beside the Seaside 	Kings & Queens 	Middle Ages 	Maps & Rivers 

Residential Visit



Year 5 & 6 are very excited to be going to Wales next week for their residential visit. A reminder that all information about the trip is shared on the school website. You can find this by following the link below.

https://newbaldprimary.org.uk/parents/residential_visit_information/residential_visit_information.html

For those who have misplaced the suggested clothing list, the link is below. Please also remember that the children will also need a refillable water bottle and cuddly toy (we all bring one!). A reminder that everything is included, so no need for children to bring any money, phones, gadgets, bedding, food etc.

https://newbaldprimary.org.uk/documents/%5B931422%5DSuggested_Clothing_List.pdf

Key Times:

Monday 15th April

Please bring the children to school at 7:30 am.

Departure from Newbald: approximately 8:00 am

Arrival at Robinwood, Wrexham: approximately 11:00am

Wednesday 17th April

Departure from Robinwood, Wrexham: approximately 1:30pm

Arrival back at Newbald: 4:30pm - 5:00pm (traffic dependant)

We will keep everyone updated through Class Dojo.



E-Safety

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We continually update our school website with the latest National Online Safety guides covering some of the latest apps and games as well as advice regarding social media apps and sites. Each guide has hints and tips on how to help your child stay safe online and encourage them to talk to you about how they are using the internet. Click the link to go straight to our E-Safety page on our school website:

https://newbaldprimary.org.uk/parents/e_safety/e_safe_ty.html

We have been made aware that some pupils have been talking about some games and apps that have a PEGI rating that indicates the game is suitable for older children. A reminder that any games, apps or social media sites that have a PEGI 12 rating (or higher) have been deemed not suitable for any primary aged children. The website below has a handy search tool to check PEGI ratings of games and it has some helpful advice for parents and carers.

<https://pegi.info/>

Class 2 Pirate Day

Ahoy there, Me Hearties! On the last day of the Spring Term, Class 2 became pirates for the day! Squirrel Class have been learning about pirates and the oceans and they had a very special pirate day where the unruly crew took part in many pirate related activities.



Roads & Paths

Despite some governors and our local councillor contacting highways maintenance to urge them to install a kerb and widen the footpath outside the school, they have replied to Councillor Stewart saying that repair work to potholes has been completed, yet any further work to the path outside the school is a low priority. We are disappointed with this response, but we will politely continue to ask, that the state of the roads and paths are improved when it is possible to do so.

We continue to ask that pedestrians are extra careful on the pathways around the school as the verges can be slippery when the weather has been wet.

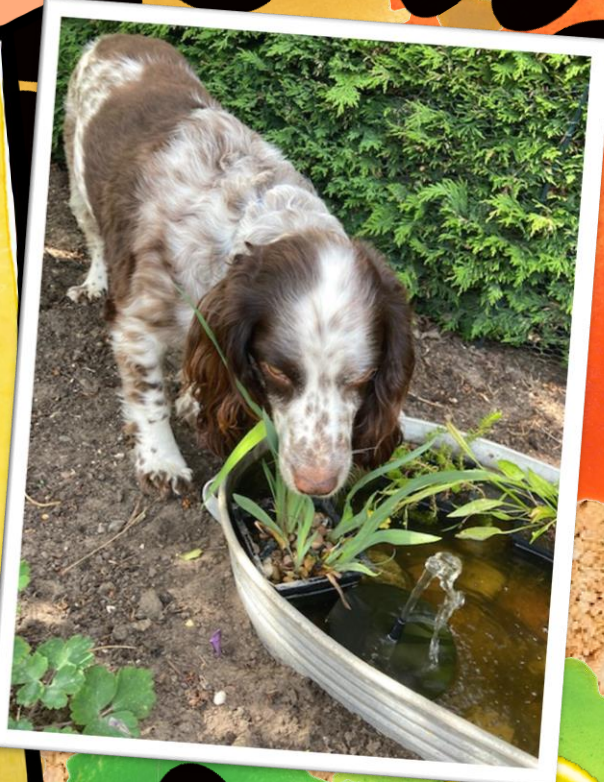


MURPHY'S Message

Hi everyone,

I am fed up of this wet weather, it's great for muddy puddles, but Mrs Rees gets really grumpy when I try and have a mud bath! As the weather improves I love to get outside. It's great to get away from screens, get fresh air and some exercise.

I love it when the children at school read to me. Lately I have been really impressed with Daniel's reading. Fantastic work! Woof!



Keeping Safe in the Sun

I can hope for a bit of sunshine can't I? This is technically the Summer Term and although the weather hasn't shown signs of Summer yet, we hope that it will improve soon. When inevitably we get some sunny days, please can you ensure that the children have a sun hat / cap and please apply sun cream to your children before they arrive in the morning to ensure that they are protected.

Water bottle Challenge!

Keeping hydrated is really important all the way through the year but, especially when it is warm and sunny. Over 50% of the body is made of water and it is vital to drink enough water. We continue to set our children a 'Water bottle challenge'! We challenge every child to remember their water bottle and drink every last drop each day at school. Some children have already risen to the challenge and have even been refilling and even doubling the daily challenge. We will be reminding our children to take on board water as the weather gets warmer.



Some Summer Term Dates



Whole School Sports Day:

Wednesday 19th June (1:00pm)

If the weather is kind, we are looking forward to a traditional whole school sports day on Wednesday 19th June at 1:30pm. We would be grateful if parents and carers could join us at this time on the field to watch the events. For those family members that cannot make the event, we will be setting up a video camera to record the races.

KS2 Guitar Concert & French Performance

Tuesday 9th July (2:30pm)



On Tuesday 9th July parents and carers are invited to watch some short performances by our children in Key Stage 2 (Classes 3 & 4). They will be showing some examples of what they have been learning in their music sessions with Mrs Holtby and their French lessons with Mr Binks. It would be fantastic if parents could join us at 2:30pm for the performances, but we will endeavour to film the performances for those that cannot make the event.

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Friday 19th July (9:15am)

I can't quite believe that our year 6 pupils have just one more term with us. We will be saying a special goodbye to our amazing Year 6 children who will be moving on to their secondary schools in September. Parents and carers of our Year 6 cohort will be invited to attend their leavers assembly on Friday 19th July at 9:15am. On a separate note, Year 6 will be able to wear their leaver's hoodies as part of their uniform after their SATS have been completed.

Year 5 & 6 Production

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Year 5 and 6 will be starting to work their production soon (after SATS). We are currently working with The Market Weighton School to arrange to use their facilities, hall and stage to make this year's production even more special for our pupils in class 4. We will share the date of the performance as soon as we can.

Class Photographs

Thursday 25th April

On Thursday 25th April the photographer will be visiting to take whole class photographs.



Diary Dates



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

April 2024

Tues 8 th April	Return for Summer Term
Tues 8 th April	Yorkshire County Cricket Activity Day
Mon 15 th April	Robinwood Residential Visit Day 1
Tues 16 th April	Robinwood Residential Visit Day 2
Wed 17 th April	Robinwood Residential Visit Day 3
Thurs 25 th April	Class Photographs

May 2024

Mon 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Wed 8 th May	Class 1 Visit to Acorn Hollow Farm
Sat 11 th May	Eurovision Song Contest
Mon 13 th May	SATS
Tues 14 th May	SATS
Wed 15 th May	SATS
Thurs 16 th May	SATS
20 th - 23 rd May	D&T Week
Fri 24 th May	Break for half term

June 2024

Tues 4 th June	Return to school
Thurs 6 th June	Y4 Multiplication Check
Thurs 13 th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check week
Sun 16 th June	England Vs Serbia 8:00pm
Wed 19 th June	Sports Day 1pm start
Thurs 20 th June	England Vs Denmark 5:00pm
Mon 24 th June	Summer Full Governing Body Meeting
Tues 25 th June	England Vs Slovenia 8:00pm
Wed 26 th June	Whole School Multi Sports Morning
Sat 29 th June	FONS Auction

July 2024

Tues 2 nd July	Year 6 TMWS Transition
Wed 3 rd July	Year 6 TMWS Transition
Thurs 4 th July	Year 6 TMWS Transition
Tues 9 th July	KS2 Music Concert / French Performance
Thurs 11 th July	Reports to Parents
Sun 14 th July	Euro 2024 Final 8:00pm
Thurs 18 th July	Summer Awards Assembly (9:15am)
Fri 19 th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (9:15am)
Fri 19 th July	Break for Summer Holidays

September 2024

Tues 3 rd September	Return to school for Autumn Term
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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

Tuesdays

- Bark & Read with Murphy
- Specialist French teacher sessions in Fox & Otter Classes
- Specialist Music teacher sessions in Fox & Otter Classes
- After School HSSS Gymnastics Club

Wednesdays

- After School Hull District Chess Association Chess Club

Thursdays

- Bark & Read with Murphy
- After School First Steps Cricket Club

Fridays

- HSS Sports & Gymnastics specialist sessions for Hedgehog & Fox Classes
- Special Mention Celebration Assemblies
- After School Gardening Club

The link to the 2023-2024 term dates:

https://newbaldprimary.org.uk/documents/%5B843397%5DTerm_Dates_2023_2024.pdf

The link to the 2024-2025 term dates:

https://newbaldprimary.org.uk/documents/%5B919809%5DTerm_Dates_2024_-_2025.pdf