

The Value of the Month is Resilience



Newberries Primary School

Play Together, Learn Together, Achieve Together, Grow Together



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Newsberries

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Headline News - Ms Peters & Mrs Traxon



Welcome Back!

We have had a wonderful first week back at school, despite a few icy starts and the threat of snow. It is lovely to see all the children and staff so refreshed after their winter break.

Once again we have a busy term ahead with many things planned for our pupils. Please see the Key Dates below for further information and an overview of the main events coming up. Specific details will be sent out nearer the time.

Ms N Peters & Mrs A Traxon (Headteachers)

Primary Admissions

A reminder that the deadline to apply for a place at Primary School (Reception, Sept 2026) is 15th January 2026.

If you have a younger child who you are hoping will join us this September, please make sure you have submitted your application by this deadline.

Parents should apply online at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions or alternatively, if you cannot access the internet, you can request a printed version of the website information and application form from the Hertfordshire County Council Customer Service Centre by calling 0300 123 4043.

School Uniform

We are keen to encourage children to take pride in their uniform.

Staff will remain vigilant of children wearing non uniform items to ensure that our uniform expectations are followed and we would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our school uniform policy.

[Please click here to access information from our website about Newberries School Uniform](#)

We thank you in advance for supporting us in ensuring that your child comes to school following our uniform policy, especially relating to jewellery or appropriate hair accessories.



Spring Term Extra-Curricular Clubs (Reminder)

Most of our clubs for this term begin next week.

If you have not already done so, please use the links in the table below to book your child on.

Clubs at Newberries - Spring 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast Club	Top Kidz Newberries Website Link to Topkidz Information	Top Kidz Newberries Website Link to Topkidz Information	Top Kidz Newberries Website Link to Topkidz Information	Top Kidz Newberries Website Link to Topkidz Information	Top Kidz Newberries Website Link to Topkidz Information
During the School Day	Guitar - Herts Music Service Y3 - 6 HMS Booking Site		Piano - Herts Music Service Y1 - 6 HMS Booking Site	Piano - Herts Music Service Y1 - 6 HMS Booking Site	
Lunchtime			Kidslingo - French Club Y3 - 6 12:30 - 1:00 Kindslingo Booking Site Starting 14.01.26	Choir Y5/6 Mrs Simpkins Please let Mrs Simpkins Know	
Extra Berries All Pupils	Extraberries Newberries Website Link to Extraberries Information	Extraberries Newberries Website Link to Extraberries Information	Extraberries Newberries Website Link to Extraberries Information	Extraberries Newberries Website Link to Extraberries Information	
Extra Curricular After School Clubs	Cheerleading Azure Dance Years 1 - 6 3:20 - 4:20 Azure Booking Site Starting on: 12.01.26	Tag Rugby 4-4-2 Sports Years 1 - 6 3.20 - 4.20 4-4-2 Sports Booking Site Starting on: 12.01.26	Football Club 4-4-2 Sports Years R - 2 3:20 - 4:20 4-4-2 Sports Booking Site Starting on: 13.01.26	Coding Club Years 3 - 6 3.20 - 4.20 Jam Coding Booking Site KS2 Starting on: 13.01.26	MultiSports 4-4-2 Sports Years R - 6 3:20 - 4:20 4-4-2 Sports Booking Site Starting on: 14.01.26
				Chess Club Kings and Queens Chess Years 1 - 6 3.20 - 4.20 KingsandQueensChess Booking Site Starting on: 14.01.26	Football Club 4-4-2 Sports Years 3 - 6 3:20 - 4:20 4-4-2 Sports Booking Site Starting on: 15.01.26
					Coding Club Years 1 - 2 3.15 - 4.15 Jam Coding Booking Site KS1 Starting on: 15.01.26
					Art Club Art with Adam Year 2 - 6 3:20 - 4:20 Art Club Booking Site Starting Date: 16.01.26
After School Club	Drama Kids All Year Groups KS1 4:30 - 5:30 KS2 5:30 - 6:30 Drama Kids Booking Site Starting on: 12.01.26				

Wintery Weather

Please make sure your child is equipped with warm winter wear over the coming weeks. We will always endeavour to get the children outside to play, unless the weather is exceptionally wet or cold!



Additionally, staff do all they can to grit pathways on the school site ready for icy mornings but as we experienced this week, some of that can be washed away by rain overnight. Please remain vigilant on icy mornings. Although we love how excited our pupils are to be here, we want them to have a safe start and therefore encourage everyone to walk into school rather than run.

On some of our icier days, we may need to limit the children's access to parts of the school grounds and play equipment. As you know, children should not be using the playground equipment at drop off and pick up times but please be mindful of this on very wintery days.

Communication Sent Home This Week

Themed Burger Day Thursday 15th January	Email	All
After School Pick Up - Bad Weather	Email	All
Clubs Timetable	Email	All
Severe Weather Plans	Email	All

Golden Certificates of the Week

"Always keep a positive mindset. It will improve your outlook on the world."
Roald Dahl

🌟 Congratulations to all of our children who have showcased our whole school 'Golden Rules' this week! 🌟

Reception	Dylan	Tenne
Year 1	Bella	Zayd
Year 2	Kali	Elise
Year 3	Aarya	Soloman
Year 4	Emma	Jeremiaz
Year 5	Liberty	Max
Year 6	Perez	Noah S

School Dates - Term Dates 2025-26

The term dates for next academic year are now available. Please find a copy of them below. They can also be found on our website by following the link.

Term Dates

Please follow the link below to access the term dates for this and next academic year.

[Term Dates 2025-26](#)

School Calendar

Dates can be found on our school website. Please subscribe to the calendar to ensure that your personal digital calendar is updated as soon as new dates are added. You can do this by following this link.

[Click here to subscribe to our school calendar](#)

We are raising
money for...

Chromebooks

Aldio
Equipment

BAKE SALES

Playtime
Equipment

THANK
YOU

Watch this space for news about our Amazon Wishlists!

We hope that everyone had a lovely festive break.

FoNs are raring to go and cannot wait to get started with all the events for this term – more information to follow!

Best wishes,
FoNs



Newberries Primary School Dates for your Diary

Spring Term 2026 Dates

5th Jan	INSET DAY - Teachers	All
6th Jan	Start of the Spring Term - children back to school	All
30th Jan	FoNS Year 2 Bake Sale	Y2/All
9th - 13th Feb	Children's Mental Health Week	All
6th Feb	Year 6 Class Assembly	Y6
6th Feb	FoNS Film Night	All
10th Feb	Safer Internet Day	All
13th Feb	Year 5 Mini-Police Assembly	Y5
13th Feb	FoNS 'Love Yourself' Non-Uniform Day	All
16th - 20th Feb	Half Term	All
23rd Feb	Start of Spring Term 2	All
27th Feb	FoNS Y1 Bake Sale	Y1/All
26th Feb - 5th Mar	Book Fair in the Dining Room	All
3rd March	Year 2 Singing Festival - Aldenham School	Y2
4th March	Y2 & Y5 Travel Workshops	Y2 & Y5
5th March	World Book Day	All
6th March	Year 4 Travel Workshop	Y4
9th - 13th March	British Science Week	All
10th March	Parent Consultation Evening (3.40pm - 6pm)	All
12th March	Parent Consultation Evening (3.40pm - 8pm)	All
13th March	FoNS Mothers' Day Shop	All
17th March	Y3/4 Afternoon Performance - 2pm	Y3 & 4
18th March	Y3/4 Afternoon Performance - 7pm	Y3 & 4
18th March	Parent Meetings for pupils with Support Plans	by invite
20th March	Red Nose Day	All
20th March	Year 2 Class Assembly	Y2
24th March	Year 4 trip to Mountfitchet Castle	Y4
26th March	Y4 Rapid Cricket Final	Y4
27th March	End of Spring Term @ 1.30pm	All
13th April	INSET DAY - School Closed	All
14th April	Start of Summer Term	All