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Headline News - Ms Peters & Mrs Traxon

80th Anniversary of VE Day!



On Thursday, we marked the very important 80th Anniversary of VE Day (you may have noticed our bunting)! Children and their adults marked the occasion through a whole school assembly leading to excellent discussions and reflections within their classrooms, recognising this historic event. The enthusiasm from this led to an array of activities ranging from designing a commemorative coin, Spitfire models and writing letters from the perspective of soldiers. Our youngest children took part in a VE Day tea-party! We all went home waving our celebratory flags!



Ms N Peters & Mrs A Traxon (Headteachers)

Curriculum Leaflets

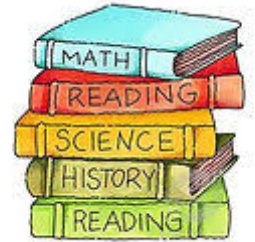
Curriculum Leaflets, for your child's class, have been sent home today!

For those of you who haven't seen our curriculum leaflets before, Curriculum Leaflets are designed to inform parents of an overview of what your child is learning each term in school and are usually shared at the beginning of each term.

Following feedback from our most recent parent questionnaire, we have redesigned these termly leaflets to give you even more information about what your children will be learning and included all curriculum areas.

Your child's Summer Leaflet is now also available on your child's Class Page, on our website, and moving forward, each new leaflet will be uploaded here for your convenience. [Class Pages - Newberries Primary School](#)

We hope you find them useful and they allow you to discuss with the children the topics they are covering in school this term.



Travelling to School

As parents will be aware, there is a property in the cul-de-sac area of Newberries Avenue that is having some significant renovations carried out. As the weather is getting nice, we strongly advise parents to park outside of this area and walk the extra distance to the school grounds.

This area is often very congested and we are concerned that whilst these works are being carried out, it could be even harder to navigate at the beginning and end of the school days.



Year 4 Class Blog

After a celebratory weekend, Year 4 has returned with enthusiasm to continue our narrative writing in English and complete our topic of Fractions in Maths. Whilst exploring and discussing VE Day celebrations and its history, the pupils have shared wonderful connections to past family members and friends, and their experiences of wartime and peacetime in 1945 Britain.

On Thursday the students enjoyed taking part in a variety of activities including designing their own commemorative coins to mark the 80th anniversary of VE Day and writing a letter to a family member, upon hearing the news that the war was over. The pupils have completed a busy week with an art lesson in which we have started a new topic observing and drawing animals.



Year 4 Team

Class Blogs and Our School Curriculum

Each week your child's class teacher will upload a blog. This is intended to give a brief overview of the week or focus on one aspect of their learning. This can be used to encourage your child to talk about learning at home and also help you to understand more about our curriculum. Please follow the link below to see all of our current and archived class blogs and blogs from other year groups.

[Class Pages - Blogs](#)

If you would like to know more about our curriculum throughout the year, please follow the link below to our website.

[Newberries Primary School - Curriculum Overviews](#)

Parent Governor Elections

Are you proud to be a member of the Newberries Community? Do you value the work of the school and would be keen to contribute to this further?

We are looking for a Parent Governor!

The Governing Board is looking for a new parent governor to join our board of governors. The school's governing board is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, and ensuring robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the school's educational performance and financial monitoring.

The board is passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for our pupils. We are keen to promote diversity on our governing board to ensure we reflect and represent the pupils in our school.

If you have skills or are interested in well-being, grant applications and/or premises this would be of great benefit, however these are not necessarily prerequisites. We just ask for enthusiasm, positivity, commitment and engagement. This includes: attendance at meetings; maintaining confidentiality; committing to training and supporting the school!

Self nomination forms are available from the School Office. These need to be submitted to the school by Friday 6th June. The usual term of office for a school governor is four years.

If you are interested in finding out more about the role please contact our School Office, who can put you in touch with our Headteachers or one of our governors who will be happy to discuss the role with you.

Communication Sent Home This Week

Curriculum	Email	Whole School
Medical Forms	Email	Y6
Uniform	Email	Whole School

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	Amelie	Naiya
Year 1	Joy	Olivia L
Year 2	Hugo	Willow
Year 3	Asterix	Ariana
Year 4	Ibrahim	Minnie
Year 5	Alex	Nina
Year 6	Jordan	Stefanos

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 2024-25](#)

[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](#)

FoNS - Friends of Newberries School

We are very excited to announce that tickets are now on sale for our Adult Event - Magic and Mojitos!

Please book your tickets! We know this is going to be an amazing event!

Click on the link to book your tickets and pay – 12th June!!

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofnewberriesschool/?event=event&eventId=98544>

Next week – Reception Bake Sale and then after May half term – Frozen Fridays will be back!

Best wishes

(Deborah, Cheryl, Rebecca, Lucy S, James, Katie, Claire O, Danielle and Claire R)



Dates for your Diary

Summer Term 2025

Whole School Value - Tolerance

Wb 12th May	KS2 SATs testing period	Y6
Wb 19th May	Y6 Residential Trip	Y6
26th - 30th	Half Term	All

Whole School Value - Honesty

2nd June	Start of Summer Term 2 (Monday)	All
2nd - 4th June	Bikeability	Y6
2nd - 13th June	Multiplication Times Table Check	Y4
12th June	Y5 Trip - Lee Valley Park	Y5
12th June	FoNs Evening Event for Parents and Carers	All
13th June	Year 3 Class Assembly	Y3
13th June	FoNs Fathers Day Shop	All
17th June	Class Photographs	All

18th June	YR Trip - Hertfordshire Zoo	YR
20th June	Y4 Class Assembly	Y4
20th June	PEACE Day (Y6 Secondary Transition Activity Day)	Y6
23rd June	Y1 Trip - Roald Dahl Museum	Y1
24th June	Y3 & 5 Athletics Festival	Y3 & 5
24th June	New Intake Morning (siblings) New Reception Pupils - Sept 2024	Siblings
24th June	Local Trip to Christchurch	Y2
25th June	New Intake Morning (non-siblings) New Reception Pupils - Sept 2024	Non-siblings
27th June	FoNs Non-uniform Day (Summer Tombola)	All
27th June	School Disco	All
Whole School Value - Self-belief		
2nd July	Sports Day (Weds Afternoon)	All
4th July	YR Class Assembly	YR
5th July	FoNS - Summer Fair	All
7th July	Sports Day * RESERVE (Mon Afternoon)	All
7th July*	Year 5 and Year 6 Play Dress Rehearsal (All Day)	All
8th July	Year 5 and Year 6 Play Afternoon Performance (1.30pm)	Y5/6
9th July	Year 5 and Year 6 Play Evening Performance (6pm)	Y5/6
10th July	Secondary Transition Day / New Class Transition Sessions	All
11th July	Y1 Class Assembly	Y1
11th July	End of Year Reports Home	All
16th July	Piano Recital	Piano students
16th July	Celebration Afternoon (3:15 - 4:30pm)	All
18th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly (9:15am)	Y6
18th July (Fri)	End of Academic Year (1.30pm finish)	All

