

The Value of the Month is Perseverance



Newberries Primary School

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Headline News - Ms Peters & Mrs Traxon

Before half term we had a visit to our Reception class from an Early Years Advisor.

Among the many observations made. We were most pleased to hear:

- High expectations and clear routines were apparent ensuring that children are given an opportunity to learn independently
- The learning environment is well organised in an accessible way that promotes self-selection, persistence and resilience
- The adults seize every opportunity to thread learning through interactions throughout the day
- Staff interactions were noted as strong with school staff demonstrating 'professional love' for the children.

We were so pleased to receive such positive feedback regarding our Early Years provision and recognition, once again, that our children have an excellent start here at Newberries.

We said goodbye to Mrs Birch this week. Her time with us has been short, but we have thoroughly enjoyed having her as part of our team at Newberries. We wish her every success in her new role which will be supporting her to pursue a long term passion!

Ms N Peters & Mrs A Traxon (Headteachers)

National Anti-Bullying Week

This week we have been working with our pupils to mark Anti-Bullying Week. The theme of the week has been 'Choose Respect' and so we have been completing discussions and activities based around understanding how we can ensure we are showing respect to our peers and what to do if we have different opinions to others.

The children also talked about who they can talk to if they are worried about anything. We enjoyed celebrating the importance of being unique by wearing odd socks on Tuesday!



Healthy Snacks and Packed Lunches

A reminder that children should not bring nut based products in as part of their packed lunch or break time snack. We have a number of children in school with allergies to nuts.

School Uniform

It has been noticed that children are not looking quite as smart as usual! Please can we remind parents of our expectations around school uniforms and ask that you do your very best to encourage pride in your child when wearing this.



Please follow the link below for further information regarding our uniform.

<https://www.newberries.herts.sch.uk/uniform/>



A reminder that, with the exception of small studded earrings, jewellery should not be worn in school.

Reception - Class Blog

This week in Reception we have been celebrating 'World Nursery Rhyme week'. The children have been wonderfully enthusiastic singers and musicians; they have thoroughly enjoyed the work based around the following rhymes: Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, The Big Ship Sails on the Ally, Ally, Oh, Old Macdonald had a Farm, Incy Wincy Spider, and Five Currant Buns.

For Anti-Bullying week we talked about being kind and how to be a good friend. We talked about kind and unkind words and what to do if we feel sad. In Phonics we have been learning the phonemes 'v, w, x, y'. Well done Reception!



Mrs Baxter, Miss Reilly, Miss D, Ms Hanns, Miss Chowtie and Mrs Wren (ReceptionTeam)

Class Blogs and 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 what they have been doing in school. Please follow the link below to see all of our current and archived class blogs or 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](#)

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	Ari	Jax
Year 1	Lucie	Otto
Year 2	Trent	Madison
Year 3	Joshua	Mathew
Year 4	Aaron	Toby
Year 5	Katie	Kimia
Year 6	Lavina	Sam

Communication Sent Home This Week

Reminder - Photo orders	Email	All
Flu Vaccinations - opt in /out	Email	All
Reference Request Payments	Email	To whom it concerns
Children's Christmas Lunch - sign up in Arbor (18th December)	Email	All

FoNS - Friends of Newberries School

Christmas designs – Remember to get your orders in by the end of November!

The children should have come home with their Christmas designs.

You can now place your orders for Christmas cards, wrapping paper, mugs, tea towels – the choice is endless and how lovely for the family to receive a personalised Christmas gift!

Non-school uniform day – NEXT FRIDAY – 22nd November!

Children can come into school in non-school uniform. In exchange for this, we would greatly appreciate it if you can please bring in a box of chocolates and a bottle of wine as these will be given out as prizes for the Chocolate and Wine tombola which will take place at the Winter Fair.

We will be collecting these in the morning by the school office.

Please ensure that the items are in date

Winter Fair – 30th November 12-3pm

Please come along and bring friends and family with you for a fun day out!

Please volunteer if you have time (before, during or after the fair)

School Dates - Term Dates 2024-25

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.

<https://www.newberries.herts.sch.uk/term-dates/>

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.

<https://www.newberries.herts.sch.uk/diary/grid/2022/09/>

Is my child too ill for school?

For advice on whether to keep your child away from school and for how long, please see the NHS guidelines

[NHS Live Well - Is my child too ill for school?](#)