



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

What a short, but jammed packed Spring Term we have had, brimming with excitement and enrichment opportunities right to the very end!

Year 3 and 4 Play

Last week we enjoyed the wonderful Year 3 and 4 play - 'What's the Crime Mr. Wolf?' We witnessed a fabulous joint effort from these two year groups as they put the notorious Mr. Wolf on trial for his fairy tale crimes. Incredible singing was showcased throughout, a great performance all round! Thank you to Mr Walliker and Mr Muldowney and well done to all involved!



Spring has Sprung

This week, Reception and Year 1 children met two lambs; Strawberry and Tiny Tim. The children said they were adorable and asked lots of interesting questions. We would like to thank our parents Mr and Mrs Lewis for arranging this visit and giving up their time to make this possible.

Dino Workshops

This week Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 took part in a very exciting workshop at school. We had a visit from three different baby dinosaurs: a triceratops, a velociraptor, and a T-Rex. Children got to take part in a real-life dinosaur dig while becoming palaeontologists and using what they had been taught in the workshop to decide if the fossil belonged to a herbivore or carnivore and provide their reasoning.



Mountfitchet Castle Trip

Year 4 have also been out and about, visiting Mountfitchet Castle as part of their History topic exploring the life of Anglo-Saxons.

Rapid Fire Cricket Final

Some of our Year 4 pupils have also ended their week by representing their class in the Rapid Cricket Finals where we are proud to announce that we came second! Well done Year 4! Congratulations!



We wish you a wonderful school holiday and look forward to seeing you return to school on Tuesday 14th April 2026.

Ms N Peters & Mrs A Traxon (Headteachers)

Science Week

Our pupils enthusiastically took part in this year's theme 'Curiosity- what is your question?'
Our question was 'do plants grow differently if we are kind to them?'

Each class participated in the plant investigation with a pleasing range of strategies explored to see if plants do grow better if we are kind to them! We shared our plant's progress this week in assembly. We concluded that the plants that had been shown kindness DID grow differently and generally had more leaves on them.

In addition to our plant investigation, pupils have been curious about STEM careers and deciding what they would like to be. The paper engineering challenge to create a plant or flower was also completed with some amazing creations being presented. Well done in particular to Max, Minnie, Eden and Isabelle in Year 5 and also to Year 1 for their fantastic paper flowers!

Miss Baxter
Science Lead



Book Fair

Once again, we would like to thank you for supporting us to help children develop their love of reading. I am excited to say that thanks to this we sold £596.90 worth of books for this Fair and received a reward of 40% and therefore have earned £238.76 to spend on books. Thank you!



Miss Reilly **Early Reading Lead**

RHS Gardening Award

A huge thank you and congratulations to our Teaching Assistants, Miss Lythgoe and Mrs Jones and to all the children they involve! They have been busy in the allotment and around the school once again, this time securing us the Level 4 and 5 RHS School Gardening Awards.



Level 5 is the final award and demonstrates that we are gardening throughout the year with our community and that our gardening has a future. We are very proud and excited to have been awarded this level and look forward to adding the plaque to the allotment area to celebrate this wonderful achievement! This has not just given us a new exciting award, but books for the children to enjoy about gardening and a generous garden centre voucher for us to use to continue improving these areas further.

Dogs

Following on from a concern raised, please can we remind parents and carers to be considerate by keeping dogs on a lead and well controlled around our school gates.



Communication Sent Home This Week

Summer Menu	Email	All
Drama Club Information	Email	All
Attendance Letters	Email	All
Extraberries - New bookings	Email	To whom it concerns
Consortium Test Information	Email	Y5
Scootability	Email	Y2
Year 3 School trip	Email	Y3

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](#)

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	Harry	Luke
Year 1	George	Xander
Year 2	Maliya	Theo
Year 3	Steven	Leo

Year 4	Ariana	Noah
Year 5	Raffi	Ora
Year 6	Kai	Leo

School Dates - Term Dates

Current Term Dates

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

[Term Dates 2025-26](#)



Future Term Dates

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

[Term Dates 2026-27](#)

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



Watch this space for news about our Amazon Wishlists!

🌸 Thank You & Easter Update from FoNS 🐣

After another hugely successful half term, we'd like to say a big thank you for your continued support of our events. Every penny raised really does make a difference and helps us provide much-needed funds for the school.

JustGiving 💖

We have a JustGiving page which we use to collect payments, as this allows us to claim Gift Aid on eligible donations. Where possible, please use this as your preferred method of payment instead of transferring directly to our bank account. We'll be sharing the link in our Comms WhatsApp group shortly, please save it for future use.

Minute Taker Needed 📝

As we don't currently have an official secretary, we're looking for someone who would be happy to join our Teams meetings and take minutes. Meetings are held in the evenings a few times a year and usually last around 30 minutes. If you're able to help, please reach out to Rebecca — we'd really appreciate the support.

🌸🐣 **Have a lovely Easter Break!** 🍀

From your FoNS team - Rebecca, Lucy, Cheryl, Katie, Claire O, Danielle and Claire R

