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Newberries Primary School

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Headline News - Ms Peters & Mrs Traxon

Another exciting week in school! Thank you to our staff who made the disruption to our internet services into an opportunity for our pupils. Lessons continued without technology, utilising some wonderful creativity and a few extra opportunities to learn outdoors. The children responded well to this change in routine and continued to engage enthusiastically in the learning.

The issue has now been resolved and was unconnected to the installation of our faster fibre optic broadband connection which was installed last week. This will give us much improved connectivity compared to our previous connection which had started to struggle with the demand. We would like to reassure parents that there are systems in place for the school to continue running smoothly and safely when such disruptions occur. Thank you to parents for their support and understanding and keeping calls to the school office to a minimum during this time.

Meet the Teacher

Just a few remaining 'Meet the Teacher' sessions left. We look forward to welcoming the parents and carers of our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils next week.

Mon 28th Sept	Year 1 Meet The Teacher & Phonics Workshop*
Tues 29th Sept	Reception Meet The Teacher & Phonics Workshop*
Thurs 1st Oct	Year 2 Meet the Teacher

Have a lovely weekend!

Ms N Peters & Mrs A Traxon (Headteachers)



SEND Update

Delivering Special Provision Locally (DSPL) is a Hertfordshire-wide partnership which provides a range of services for the local community that meets the needs of children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), aged 0-25.

DSPL9 covers the areas of Watford, Three Rivers, Bushey and Radlett. Schools and families can access DSPL9 services if they live in these areas, or have children who attend a school in DSPL9.

DSPL9 Parent Newsletters are published fortnightly and include a summary of courses, workshops, training and events available to parents and families within DSPL9.

[DSPL9 - Parents, Carers and Families - Newsletters](#)

Census Day Special Lunch Menu - Thursday 1st October



On **Thursday, 1st October**, our catering team is cooking up a fantastic lunch featuring our pupils' favourites!

Why is this day so important for our school?

Thursday is National School Census Day. The Department for Education calculates a large part of our funding based on **how many children eat a hot school dinner on this exact day**.

Every single school meal ordered on Census Day brings crucial money straight into our school budget.

How you can support us:

If your child is in Reception, Year 1, or Year 2: Their meal is **100% FREE** under Universal Infant Free School Meals. Please encourage them to give the school lunch a go on Thursday!

If you are worried your child might not finish their meal, you are welcome to send them in with a small back-up packed lunch just in case.

Thank you so much for helping us maximize funding for all our pupils!

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	David	Tallulah
Year 1	Celine	Evie
Year 2	Emira	Niko
Year 3	Ralph	Megan
Year 4	Coralial	Solomon
Year 5	Chloe	Emma
Year 6	Aiden	Isabelle G

Communication Sent Home This Week

Internet Issues	Email	All
School Nursing Team Newsletter	Email	All
PGL - Deposit Due	Email	Y6
Language Update	Email	YR

FoNS - Friends of Newberries School

Hello everyone!

We've got lots to share with you this week, so grab a cuppa and have a read! ☕

 **Welcome to FoNS, Manisha!**

We'd love to introduce our newest member of the FoNS team – **Manisha Shah!** 🎉

Manisha's daughter has just joined Reception this September, and she wanted to get involved in the school community, support the school and help organise activities and events wherever she can.

And a fun fact about Manisha? She's a foodie who **loves baking AND eating** (we think she'll fit right in! 😊) and also loves getting outdoors and adventuring – the best of both worlds!

Welcome to the team, Manisha! 💜

 **Second-Hand Uniform**

Our second-hand uniform collection is currently on the hunt for **logo'd PE T-shirts**, particularly **sizes 9–10 and above**.

If you have any that your children have grown out of and would be happy to donate, please reach out to one of the FoNS team. Every donation helps!

 **Spooky Disco**

We hope the children are getting excited for our **Spooky Disco!** 🎃👻

The disco is open to **all year groups**, with two separate sessions:

 **YR–2 (KS1):** straight after the school day finishes
 **Y3–6 (KS2):** second disco session

Tickets will be available to purchase **from next week**, so keep your eyes peeled!

We'll also be looking for volunteers to help us make the discos happen. **You don't need to be a class rep** – anyone who would like to lend a hand is very welcome! When booking your child's ticket, simply tick the box to volunteer and you can join us for a dance with the children too. 🕺👧

We know the noise and excitement can sometimes feel a little overwhelming, particularly for some of our younger children, so we'll also have a **supervised breakout area** where children can take some time out, have a breather and do some colouring. 🖍️💜

Bake Sales!

And finally... **the bake sales are back!** 🎉

We're kicking things off with our **Year 6 class** getting their mixing bowls ready, for next Friday, 2nd October, after school.

That's all from us this week!

As always, thank you for your continued support – we couldn't do what we do without you! 💜

💛 **From your FoNS team Rebecca, Claire O, Cheryl, Katie, Danielle, Claire R & Manisha** 💛xxx

