The Value of the Month is Perseverance

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

We hope you all had a restful half term and are looking forward to the exciting second half of the Autumn Term that we have ahead of us!

Parent Consultations

Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us for Parent Consultation Evenings in school the week before half term. We hope you found it useful to talk with your child's teacher and find out more about how they have settled into their new year group. Our next Parent Consultation Evenings will be in March.



Please remember that in the meantime, we do operate an Open Door Policy. Please feel free to contact your child's class teacher with any questions or queries if you have any before then.

Allergy Awareness and Keeping Everyone Safe



At Newberries, the safety and wellbeing of all our pupils is a top priority. We have a number of children in school with serious food allergies, including some who are at risk of anaphylaxis, a severe allergic reaction that can be life-threatening.

We ask all families to support us by being mindful of the food sent into school. Please avoid sending products that contain nuts and be aware that other foods can also trigger allergic reactions for some children. We kindly remind parents not to share food items at school and to follow any guidance provided for trips, events, and celebrations.

We work closely with families and staff to ensure that individual healthcare plans are in place, staff receive regular training, and emergency medication is readily available when needed.

By working together, we can help create a safe environment where all children can learn, play, and thrive with confidence. Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us keep every member of our school community safe.

If you would like to learn more about allergies, please take a look at the following link to the charity Allergy UK.

Ms N Peters & Mrs A Traxon (Headteachers)

School Uniform

Now it has got colder, we ask that the children wear winter uniform. For our junior children this means that they are required to wear ties.





Winter Uniform

- Grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers
- White Newberries' polo shirt (KS1 - available from Mapac - branded)
- White shirt (KS2)
- School tie (KS2 - available from Mapac - branded)
- Red Newberries School jumper or cardigan (available from Mapac - branded)

Black History Month

Throughout October, at Newberries, we celebrated Black History Month. Each class was provided with a book from the wonderful 'Little People, Big Dreams' collection, learning about the life, achievements and contributions of an inspiring person from history. Alongside their reading and discussions, each class created a piece of artwork inspired by the achievements of the chosen person for their class. This was a fantastic opportunity for our children to continue to celebrate diversity, learn about inspirational role models and recognise the important contributions people have made, and continue to make, across the world.









Black History Month 2026

Miss Diaz (History Subject Leader)

Poppies



Remembrance Day is next week and we will be taking time to reflect and honour all those who have served and continue to serve, in the armed forces as well as those who have lost their lives in conflicts around the world.

We will be talking about why we wear poppies and complete a poppy related art activity. At 11am, we will join the nation in observing a two-minute silence to reflect, remember and show our gratitude to those who have made sacrifices to help keep us safe.

Please know that poppies and poppy items will be available to purchase within school with all donations going to support the Royal British legion.

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	Aditveer	Gigi
Year 1	Louis	Ronnie
Year 2	Lily	Luke
Year 3	Darcie	Olivia L
Year 4	Blake	Madison
Year 5	Ethan	Freya
Year 6	Ora	Archie

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

Communication Sent Home This Week

Whole school panto Information	**Email**	**All**
School photographer reminder	**Email**	**All**
Final secondary application reminder	**Email**	**Y6**
Staffing update	**Email**	**Y3**
Mock transfer tests	**Email**	**Y4 / Y5**
Change of menu	**Email**	**All**
Poppy appeal	**Email**	**All**
School Photographs	**Email**	**All**
Athletics Festival Information	**Email**	**Y4 / Y6**
Christmas Gifts Information	**Email**	**All**
Medical Care Plan - Signatures	**Email**	**To whom it concerns**

FoNS - Friends of Newberries School

Hello everyone!

We'd like to start by sharing some news following our Spooky Disco last term. It was a record breaker… We made over **£800** profit **(£832.43 to be precise!)** which is going to make a huge difference to our fundraising targets for the School this year. Our best profit ever, so well done to all involved. Outfits and costumes really levelled up this year, and so did our amazing team of volunteers! What a way to end the first half term.

Now it's beginning to look a lot like… Winter Fair season! 🎅 And we've got lots to share this week, so grab a cuppa and have a read!

📣 LAST CHANCE – WINTER FAIR BROCHURE ADVERTS!

We're fast approaching the advert deadline for our Winter Fair brochure, so this is your **last chance to get your business or service featured!**

Our brochure reaches over 200 local households, making it a fantastic opportunity to showcase your business and connect with the local community.

There are three advert sizes available, so something to suit everyone!

Interested? Please contact Rebecca for more details and to secure your space.

🎄 SAVE THE DATE – WINTER FAIR!

Get those festive diaries out!

Our **Newberries School Winter Fair** is taking place on:

Friday 27th November 2026

From 3.30pm - 5:30pm

Join us straight after school for a festive afternoon of fun, games and Christmas cheer. We can't wait to see you there!

🎁 NON-UNIFORM DAY – FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER

Swap your school uniform for something a little more exciting… It's time for our brand-ne

FoNS Gifting Tombola!

This year's theme is GIFTING, and we're asking everyone to raid those cupboards for any unwanted gifts that deserve a new home!

Think bath sets, board games, gift sets and anything else that would make a lovely present.

A few important things to remember:

- Gifts must be in re-gifting condition (as new).
- Items should be in their original packaging.
- Please do not gift-wrap them, as they'll be going straight onto our Tombola table.
- Gifts should be brought into school on **Friday 13th November** in exchange for your non-uniform day.

We'd also really appreciate a **£1 donation to FoNS** to help us reach our next fundraising goal for new audio equipment for the School.

Payment links will be shared via our Comms WhatsApp Group and in next week's newsletter.

Thank you for supporting us – we can't do it without you!

🎨 WINTER FAIR BROCHURE COVER COMPETITION

A little reminder for anyone who missed our WhatsApp announcement earlier this week…

It's time to get creative!

We'd love to see your children's festive masterpieces, and one lucky design will feature on the FRONT COVER of this year's Winter Fair brochure!

Here's what you need to know:

- Artwork must be on A4 paper, in portrait orientation.
- Please include: *Newberries School Winter Fair – 27th November, 3.30pm - 5:30pm.*
- Write your child's name and class on the BACK of the artwork.
- Hand all entries into the school office.

DEADLINE: Tuesday 10th November

Get those pencils, paints and glitter out – we can't wait to see what the children come up with! ✨

📱 KEEP IN THE LOOP!

If you're not already part of our FoNS Announcements WhatsApp group, you're missing out on all the latest news, reminders and event updates!

Please speak to your class rep to find out how to join.

That's all from us this week!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Every donation, volunteer hour and bit of enthusiasm makes a huge difference to our school community.

Festive things are happening… and we can't wait!

Your FoNS team ❤️

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