



NEWSLETTER, JULY 2017

Dear Parents,

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to those children celebrating birthdays in August:

Daisy Hurford age 5
Neo Peters age 5
Gracie Broom age 5
Isla Lowdon age 5
Lakita Want age 6
Leo Contreras age 6
Benjamin Griffith age 7
Freya Bult age 8
Ava Peach age 8
Anna Peach age 11



STAFF

We welcome back:

Mrs. Sharon Copping who has returned to Breakfast Club.

Mrs. Charlotte O'Leary who has been on maternity leave and will be returning to Foxes Class week beginning 17th July, 2017.

At the end of this term we will be saying farewell and thank you to:

Miss Denise Rogers who has been our Administrative Assistant for over four years. Denise has accepted a full time position at a local school and we wish her success in that employment.

NEWT FEST

Thank you to all those parents who helped at the Newt Festival over the weekend. The Festival was a great success and drew large numbers. We are very grateful to the Newt Committee for organising this fantastic event.



BADGERS CLASS ACTIVITIES WEEK

Badgers Class are currently enjoying a wonderful Activities Week; the class enjoyed three days at the PGL camp at Liddington and today are going to The Bear Trail at Cullompton; tomorrow they will be visiting @Bristol.

LUNCH ORDERS

Please ensure lunch orders are returned by this Friday (14th July) for meals required next term.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

After school clubs stop this week (no clubs in the final week of term). Clubs will start back w/b 11th September; a list of available extra-curricular activities will be issued in the new term.

REPORTS & RESULTS

On Monday your child will be bringing home their end of year report. Please do take time to read and reflect on your child's year. The reports take a long time to prepare and publish and they are aimed to highlight children's successes as well as ways they can further improve.

Children in Year 2 will also be receiving their SATs results and children in Year 1 their Phonics results (Year 6 children have already received their SATs results). We are extremely proud of our results in all aspects. I would like to congratulate the children on their fine results, but equally my staff who work so relentlessly hard to provide a provision which allows such success.

We are not a school which has a blinkered, SATs-driven approach but try to teach in creative and exciting ways in all subject, all through the year. We sincerely hope you welcome this well-rounded and successful approach.

HOUSE – GEM WINNERS.

The winning house will be in non-uniform on Wednesday 19th July. Children will be informed this Friday in Celebration Assembly.

HEDGEHOGS CLASS MOVIE

Some parents have requested a copy of the Hedgehogs Class movie that was shown at our recent Open Morning. If you would like a copy, please forward £2.50 (cheques payable to "North Newton Community Primary School") and a copy will be produced for you (possibly not before the holidays however).

BUILDING WORK DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

During the summer holidays the County Council will be funding two contractors to complete various projects across the school – please note this has not come out of our school budget.

Firstly, we will be having new windows fitted throughout the main school building; secondly, a more efficient folding screen will be installed between Foxes and Squirrels to provide better sound installation between the classes.

LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY

This very special assembly will be held at 2.15 p.m. on Friday, 21st July when we shall say goodbye to our Year 6 children. Parents of Year 6 children will have two seats reserved for them in the front few rows. Year 6s wishing to have their school shirts/blouses signed should ensure they have a clean shirt in school for the assembly.

FOR SALE – MINI FRIDGE

We have a mini fridge for sale (brand new/unused) which has been bought in error and will cost us to return. Ideal for caravans/tents/bottles of wine/cans, etc. Cost £70.00. If interested, please speak to Mrs. Hodge.

AUTUMN TERM 2017

Monday, 4th and Tuesday, 5th September are In-Service training days for staff; children start back on Wednesday, 6th September.

SWIMMING

Swimming for all classes will start as follows:

Wednesday, 6th September – Foxes Class (leaving school at 1.30 p.m. and returning at 3.00 p.m.)

Headteacher: Mr. Nick Arnold
Chair of Governors: Mrs. Sarah Cook
Email: northnewton.@educ.somerset.gov.uk
www.northnewtonschool.co.uk

Friday, 8th September – Badgers Class (leaving school at 1.00 p.m. and returning at 2.30 p.m.)

Squirrels Class will be swimming on Tuesdays, starting Tuesday, 12th September.

Please note we need parents to help escort the classes to their swimming lessons on every session, please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs. Hodge. If every pupil had an adult to help on 2 occasions through the year, we would be covered. Help is essential.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

The first Celebration Assembly will be on Friday, 15th September at 2.45 p.m.

PTFA NEWS

NON UNIFORM DAY

The PTFA will be holding their non-uniform day on Thursday, 20th July – they will continue with an American theme/red, white and blue – following the postponement of the 4th July non-uniform day. A donation of £1.00 per child would be appreciated please.

FREEZE POP FRIDAY

The final Freeze Pop Friday will be this Friday (14th July).

FAMILY BBQ

The PTFA will be distributing tickets for food ordered for the Family BBQ next week. The BBQ starts at 6.00 p.m. and ends at 9.00 p.m. Weather permitting we will be on the school field; don't forget to bring your own drinks and chairs/rugs.

NORTH NEWTON DEFIBRILLATOR

An amazing £449 has been collected in the Smartie tubes from the Pre-School and the School – thank you.

On behalf of the staff and governors we wish you a very happy and safe summer holiday. We look forward to seeing you refreshed in the autumn term.

Yours sincerely,



Nick Arnold
Headteacher

