



NEWSLETTER, SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

Dear Parents,

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to those children celebrating birthdays in October:

Joshua Whatley
 Raiin Walker
 Grace Palmer
 Faye Little
 Benjamin Murray
 Sophie Bult
 Lola Whatley
 Poppy Adey
 Mason Phippen
 Camden Mantyk
 Summer-Rose Rogers
 Lily Anderson
 Daniel Treadwell
 Bella Davis



FIVER CHALLENGE

George Grindrod was recently awarded the UK's 'Community Initiative Award' for his Card Company and went to London to receive his prize at their Ceremony. Lovely to receive a letter from the House of Commons offering their congratulations too!

CROSS COUNTRY RACES

The first Cross Country meet of the season is being held this **Wednesday, 27th September, 2017**. There are races for: Years 3 and 4, starting at 4.00 p.m. and Years 5 and 6, starting at 4.30 p.m. If your child would like to compete, please return the consent form previously distributed.

INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS

Tempest Photographers will be taking your child's photo this Friday (29th September). Family groups will also be taken and if any parents would like to have their pre-school child included in the photograph they should come to the Dining Room at 9.00 am on Friday.

THANK YOU TO

Many thanks to **Sarah Bult** for organising a mini digger and to **Mark Phippen** who carried out the work in preparing the ground at the rear of Badgers Classroom. As the ground is very soft, we will be laying a chipping base. Our groundsman **Mike Boyd** has sourced some tree trunks to edge the area.



Please can you help on Thursday?

I need 3 or 4 people to help move the chippings (2 dumpy bags) **Thursday, 28th September, 4.30 – 5.30 p.m.** this week. Need 3 wheelbarrows...it could be completed within 90 minutes. If you can help, let the office know and we'll get it done.

Monkton Elm Garden Centre for their donation of wrapping material for flowers which Badgers class presented to their various speakers who came to the school and spoke on their personal memories of life during WW2.

NETBALL CLUB

Due to so many children signing up, we have to reduce our numbers to year 5 and 6 only. There were too many children to offer quality training. Year 4s will be welcomed next season.

FIRST AID

We are trialling a new way of administering first aid to children who have minor knocks and bumps whilst on the school playground. Staff members on duty are carrying first aid bags to administer treatment to small scratches and bumps 'at the scene'. If a child requires further treatment they will be taken to the First Aid Room and parents will be advised of the incident via a sticker/letter or if the injury is more serious, a phone call.



HARVEST FESTIVAL FOLLOWED BY MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

On Friday 13th October, we will be holding our Harvest Service at St Peters at 9.30a.m. The children will be performing and we hope you are able to attend. Following the service, we will be serving refreshments in aid of MacMillan with our annual Coffee Morning. Again, please do try to support this worthy cause, or if you unable to attend, please donate through the school office.

NASAL INFLUENZA VACCINE

Children in Years R-4 will be offered a nasal influenza vaccine on Wednesday, 6th December, 2017. Parents will receive a letter, information leaflet and consent form nearer the time seeking parental consent. Further information on the vaccination can be found on:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flu-vaccination-leaflets-and-posters>.

LUNCH ORDERS

When returning lunch orders, please can parents ensure their child's FULL NAME is put on menu sheets as this assists Taylor Shaw. Also, one menu sheet per child please.

CONGRATULATIONS

Rachel Grant and TWO of her friends have completed their impressive '3 Girls, 3 Horses, 3 Months' gallop of 523 miles - the equivalent of North Newton to John O'Groats a week early! If you have kindly sponsored them, Rachel is always on the playground at the end of school, or if you wish to still donate ...it is all for a good cause! Well done the '3 Girls!'

CARDIFF HALF MARATHON

Miss Barker will be taking part in the Cardiff half marathon in October and raising money for The Brain Tumour Charity. If you would like to help in raising funds for this charity by supporting Miss Barker please visit the just-giving website:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/hannah-barker8>. Thank you.

PTFA NEWS

Children will have brought home a wonderful newsletter which the PTFA have produced which gives details of their forthcoming events including:

KS1 Movie Night: Thursday, 12th October

KS2 Sleepover: Friday, 13th October – Saturday, 14th October

PJs Day: Friday, 20th October – wear your PJs/onesies to school for a donation of chocolate for the Christmas Fayre.

School Calendars/Tote Bags/Caption Competition

Next PTFA Meeting: Wednesday, 18th October, 7.00 pm. – all welcome.

PTFA AGM: Wednesday, 15th November, 7.00 p.m. – all welcome.

Yours sincerely,

Nick Arnold
Headteacher

AUTUMN TERM 2017

Wednesday, 27 th September	9.15-12.00 a.m. Year 5 MFL at RBSC 4.00 – 5.15 pm Yr 3-6 Cross Country, North Petherton Rugby Club
Thursday, 28 th September	8.00 a.m. Finance and Business Committee Meeting
Friday, 29 th September	9.00 a.m. Individual Photographs
Monday, 2 nd October	4.00-5.30 p.m. Small Schools' Boys' Football Tournament, RBSC 7.30 p.m. Board of Governors' Meeting
Wednesday 11 th October	Year 3/4/5 Football Match v Eastover (Home: 3.45 – 4.30)
Thursday, 12 th October	Fire Safety talk - 1.30 Foxes & 2.15 Badgers KS1 PTFA Movie Night, 5.00-7.00 p.m.
Friday, 13 th October	9.30 Harvest Festival at St Peter's Church, North Newton. Afterwards - MacMillan Coffee Morning in the Church Rooms
Friday, 13 th until Saturday, 14 th October	KS2 PTFA Sleepover, 6.00 pm, Friday, to 8.45 am Saturday
Wednesday, 18 th October	7.00 p.m. PTFA Meeting – all welcome
Friday, 20 th October	PTFA Non-Uniform Day: PJs/Onesies for a donation of chocolate
Monday, 23rd – Friday, 27th October	Half-Term
Tuesday, 7 th November	3.30-6.30 p.m. Parents' Consultation Evening (all classes)
Wednesday, 8 th November	3.30-6.30 p.m. Parents' Consultation Evening (Foxes/Squirrels/Badgers) Riverford Organic Company will be showcasing.
Friday, 10 th November	11.00 a.m. Great War Remembrance Service (Year 6 only)
Wednesday, 15 th November	7.00 pm PTFA AGM – all welcome
Saturday, 25 th November	3.00 p.m. PTFA Christmas Fayre 3.15 p.m. Inter-House Sing-Off Competition
Wednesday, 6 th December	9.30 a.m. Flu Vaccination (Years R-4)
Monday, 18 th December	1.30 p.m. KS1 Christmas Play Dress Rehearsal, Village Hall
Tuesday, 19 th December	10.00 a.m. KS1 Christmas Play, Village Hall 6.00 p.m. KS1 Christmas Play, Village Hall
Thursday, 21 st December	1.30-3.00 p.m. Christmas Parties
Friday, 22nd December – Friday, 5th January	Christmas Holiday
SPRING / SUMMER TERMS 2018	
Monday 8 th January	School restarts from 8.45 a.m.
Monday, 12th – Friday, 16th February	Half-Term
Monday, 19 th February	INSET DAY – School Closed to Children
Monday, 5 th – Wednesday, 7 th March	Years 3 & 4 Residential – Kilve Court Outdoor Centre
Monday, 26th March – Friday, 6th April	Easter Holiday
Monday, 9 th April	INSET DAY – School Closed to Children
Monday, 7 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Monday, 14 th - Thursday 17 th May	KS2 SATs week
Monday, 28th May – Friday, 1st June	Half-Term
Monday, 4 th June	INSET DAY – School Closed to Children
Monday, 11 th – Friday, 15 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
Thursday, 14 th June	9.15 a.m. Class/Team Photographs
Mon 25 th – Thurs 28 th June	Years 5 & 6 Residential Trip. Rock & Rapid, N. Devon.
Tuesday, 24 th July	2.15 p.m. Leavers' Assembly

North Newton Village Hall
★ PRESENTS ★
CHRISTMAS BINGO NIGHT!

Saturday 9th December 2017



★ Eyes down at 7pm! ★



2	10	4	20	- Families welcome -	2	10	4	20
5	17	15	13	- Bar open -	5	17	15	13
14	1	19	8	- Raffle -	14	1	19	8
7	12	6	21	- Prizes galore! -	7	12	6	21
11	24	18	23	Doors open: 6.30pm	11	24	18	23
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