

School Matters

Digital Dates

Monday 16 December

Pre-school Nativity 11am
in St Luke's Church

Tuesday 17 December

Pre-school Nativity 10.30am
in St Luke's Church
Christmas Lunch

Friday 20 December

Class Christmas Parties
End of Term for school and
pre-school—1.30pm

Tuesday 7 January 2020 –
First day of Spring Term

17 - 21 February 2020-
Half Term



Friday 13 December

Thank you for supporting our Christmas Productions—I am sure you will join me in saying 'Well Done' to all the children of all ages for taking part. I thought they did really well and had put in a lot of hard work.

Thank you all too, for helping and supporting them in practising their lines and singing!

A few 'housekeeping' items:

On-Site Parking - A polite reminder to parents that the few parking spaces we have are for 'Blue Badge' holders only. Please can parents continue to park on School Lane, the actual village car park opposite or park further afield and walk if at all possible. We appreciate parking is an issue but unfortunately when the new school was built we were only allocated two 'Disability' spaces. You may wish to look at the attached flyer, on page 3 of this newsletter, from the Fire Service. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Head Lice—Please can parents and carers be aware that nits/lice are currently a huge problem in the school. It is vital that you check your children's hair regularly and treat as soon as you notice anything. We are clearly having cases go untreated meaning that some classes are in a never ending cycle of infecting- -treating- -re-infecting.

Dinner Money - just a gentle reminder—there are a number of parents who have slipped into arrears with their dinner money—**please could these be settled before the end of term.** Lunch money should be paid in advance for the coming week; half termly or termly payments in advance are also acceptable, either via the gateway or in cash.

'The Book People' have launched a 'Big Book Boost' campaign where they donate money to schools to spend on books. They will donate £1 for every £10 spent, which would allow us to buy more books for the school. If you ever buy from 'The Book People', you can link Newton Popleford Primary School to your account. Click on the 'Big Book Boost' in the top right hand corner, search for our school and then link it to your account. Then, whenever you buy from 'The Book People', our children will benefit by receiving new books. Many thanks for your support.'

Stuart Vaughan

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The Twilight after school club phone number is ☎07513269489

Y1

Bella- I loved being a chicken in our play.

Leila—My Wow moment was sewing my Christmas decoration together.

Y2

Olly—I liked making my puppet—it's a fox!

William- my WOW moment was doing our Christmas Play!

Preschool

Amelia—I loved looking for bugs at far field and held a worm!

Arthur—I can remember all the words to my nativity and sing them beautifully!

Reception

Scarlet—I liked the ghosts in the panto!

Harley—I liked doing everything when I went to the church.

Heidi—my WOW was seeing Belle in the Panto, her singing and in her dress

WOW MOMENTS

Y3

Aine- I was really scared about playing my violin on the stage but I did and it was really good.

Elijah—I loved singing really loudly at the Carol Concert!

Y4

India— enjoyed going to the Beauty and the Beast pantomime

Isaac N—I enjoyed decorating the jars.

Y5

Daisy—really enjoyed the Humanities lesson at Sidmouth College.

Skyler—really enjoyed being in the Carol Concert

Y6

Bella- My WOW moment was watching KS1's Christmas play and especially my buddy.

Frazer—my WOW moment is English because I think I am improving a lot on it.

From the PTEA

CHRISTMAS FAIR Huge thanks to everyone who helped organise, volunteered, baked, made, donated, and attended this year's Christmas Fair. It looks like we raised a fantastic £800!

ALLOTMENT We are delighted to announce that we have been awarded a Local School Nature Grant, funded by players of the People's Postcode Lottery. We have received gardening equipment worth £500 for the children to use on the new allotment!



DEAD END

**Important information from
the emergency services**



Devon & Cornwall Police
Working safer communities together

PETROC

Would we be able to get to your home in an emergency?

**Bad parking has delayed fire engines
and ambulances reaching serious
incidents in this area.**

When parking your vehicle please remember to:

- Park close to the kerb
- Leave enough space for a fire engine or an ambulance to pass
- Leave extra room near tight corners
- Fold in your wing mirror

Please be considerate when you park your vehicle. Failure to park your vehicle considerately may cause an unnecessary obstruction to other road users, including emergency services vehicles, which could lead to a £30 fixed penalty notice being issued.

**Every second counts when the
emergency services are responding
to an incident.**

Time/Date

Vehicle