



FRIDAY NEWCHURCH

5th October 2018

NEW GOVERNORS WELCOME

We welcome the following people on to our Governing body:

Parent governors: Miss Basnett (Isla Rec) and Mrs Beddall (Charlotte Y2)

Co-Opted governor: Jan Appleton.

MATHS UPDATE

Let us start with a huge thank you to all the children and parents who have been 'gigging' away on TTRockstars since its launch at the start of the year. Some of the children are hitting amazing levels and answering questions in less than 2 seconds. This speed will only increase as they engage further. If your child is yet to get going then hop on – games only last 1 minute and can be played on tablets, computers and even phones, so great for the back of the car. Across school, mathematics is as high a priority as ever. Each class is currently working through the number element of their curriculum, investigating the four operations, the role of primes and how fractions can be manipulated. Finally, thank you for all the support the children receive at home and for the amazing volunteers who give their time to work with your children. Do not forget that volunteers are always welcome to come into school.

PE UPDATE

Last year at Newchurch, PE was a real success story. We adopted a new approach to PE lessons which engaged and challenged children. We also promoted competitive sport with more children representing the school than ever before. Our efforts to give children such enriching opportunities resulted in us receiving a Silver School Games Mark which we are very proud to have achieved.

This year we will continue to build upon last year's successes and we are pleased to have welcomed Mr Whitehouse, our PE apprentice, into our family. Mr Whitehouse is very passionate about sports and is keen to further enhance our PE curriculum with more extra-curricular clubs before, during and after school. Keep an eye on our twitter page @NewchurchCP for regular updates on our involvement in sports competitions.

MAKING MUSIC VISUAL PROJECT

As a result of achieving the Music Ambassador's Award, we have been very fortunate in being selected to join two other primary schools and three secondary schools (one of which is Culcheth High School) across Halton and Warrington to take part in a 'Making Music Visual Project'. The project will involve, the secondary schools composing music with the Northern Chamber Orchestra and working with a specialist dance teacher to interpret their composition. The Northern Chamber Orchestra will

also be coming into school to perform for our children. Our Year Five children will have a series of six workshops with a specialist digital artist who will work with them to create images on the iPads in response to the music they hear. At a performance evening in July at the Parr Hall, the children will produce drawings (during the performance) in response to the music which will be projected in 3D around the Parr Hall and on the dancers. How amazing will that be!

IT'S HARVEST TIME!

Harvest is a time when you reap what you sow. At Newchurch we wish to sow a little happiness amongst our community by gathering contributions towards the Warrington Foodbank. During the week beginning 15th October, we would like each class to prepare a hamper of donations which will be delivered to the Foodbank. Traditionally, we collect products such as pasta, rice, tinned vegetables etc and **any** donation is very much appreciated. However, if you would like to contribute something different, then we have checked the website and have seen that the following things are in high demand:

- toilet rolls
- jam
- shampoo
- tinned tuna
- tinned salmon
- pasta sauces
- curry sauces
- rice pudding
- tinned fruit
- tinned carrots
- toothpaste
- confectionery



YEAR 2 UPDATE

So far this half term, we have learnt lots in Maths, including addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and in English we have created some amazing pieces of writing. We are currently working on our poetry skills and creating poems based on haunted houses that the children have drawn themselves. What a spooky classroom it is! In History, we have begun looking at the life and works of LS Lowry and what inspired his paintings and drawings and in Science we are learning about animals, including humans, and how we change as we grow from babies to adults. In computing, the children have been amazing on their animation project, where they have had to use frame by frame shots to make a stickman dance on its own and then with other stickmen. We have seen a lot of fancy dancing during these lessons. We have started to play a few songs during hand bells and in PE we have been using our balancing and co-ordination skills to help us throw and catch a ball. So as you can see, we have had a very busy start to the year. All that in just a few weeks. Imagine how much

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Please contact school**

we will achieve by the end of the year. Keep up the fantastic work Year 2.

Freya: I've really enjoyed learning subtraction maths this half term.

James: I've really enjoyed PE, throwing and catching bean bags and challenging ourselves.

Isabelle: I'm enjoying writing about haunted houses in English

SPEEDING AROUND SCHOOL

We have been informed about cars speeding on roads nearby the school, at collection and drop off times. Please drive considerately to keep our children safe.

PRIVATE FOSTERING

If a child or young person under 16 years (or 18 if disabled) is staying with you for more than 28 days you could be a **private foster carer**.

A private foster carer may be a friend of the family or the child's friend's parents or someone unknown who is willing to privately foster a child. A private foster carer is not a parent, step parent, legal guardian, grandparent, brother, sister, aunt or uncle (great aunt/great uncle are considered private foster carers.)

Examples of private fostering arrangements:

- children sent from abroad to stay with another family
- parents who are working abroad
- a parent is in hospital
- teenagers who have broken ties with their parents
- children living with host families whilst studying.

What do you need to do?

Any parent, carer or professional who is aware of a private fostering arrangement is legally required to inform the local authority. It is vital that the council is aware of such arrangements so that they can safeguard the welfare of potentially vulnerable children.

If you are a parent making private fostering arrangements for your child, you need to let the council know in writing at least six weeks before the arrangement begins. If the arrangement is due to start in less than six weeks or the child is already living with the carer you need to let the council know immediately.

The council can help in completing a written agreement between the parent(s) and the carer, covering:

- arrangements for financially supporting the child
- permission for the carer to seek emergency medical treatment
- the plan to keep in contact with the child.

Please contact school if this applies to you.

READING LADDER w/e 5th October 2018

	Y2 93%	-
	Y3 90%	+
	Y4 89%	+
	Y5 89%	+
	Y6 89%	=
	REC 88%	+
	Y1 65%	-

SCHOOL DIARY DATES

2.10.18	Open Afternoon 1.30pm
10.10.18	PTA meeting
10-12.10.18	Kingswood Y6
18.10.18	Monster Ball
3.11.18	Open Afternoon 11am
9.11.18	Flu immunisation
21.11.18	Invite a guest day
22.11.18	Open Afternoon 7pm
6.12.18	Parents' evening
6.12.18	KS1 Christmas Play 9.30-10.30am
7.12.18	KS1 Christmas Play 9.30-10.30am
13.12.18	Keyboard concert Y3 parents
11.2.19	Young Voices
14.2.19	Valentine's Disco
11.3.19	PAN performance
8.4.19	Easter Bingo
23.5.19	Summer Disco
28.6.19	PTA BBQ
12.7.19	Y6 Prom (arranged by parents)

To help with family financial planning, please be aware, pupils in Year 5 will be going to Kingswood in October and Y4 will be going to Beeston in July.

Newchurch Community Primary School
Invite you to our
New Intake Open Days

Preparing to fly...

Newchurch will give every child a flying start by working in partnership with parents, staff and the community to develop and celebrate well-rounded citizens who will contribute in a positive way to society.

Saturday 3rd November 2018 at 11am
Thursday 22nd November 2018 at 7pm

Children welcome
Please ring us for more details or alternative dates.

We are proud of our school - find out why!

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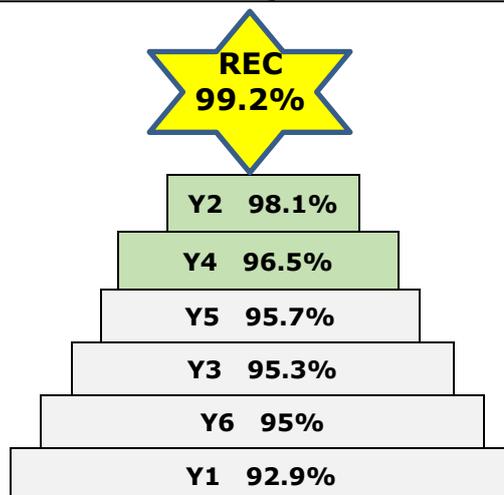
STAY & PLAY

We would like to invite you to our 'Stay and Play' sessions held here at Newchurch from 9:30am until 10:30am. The sessions are as follows:

- Tuesday 16th October 2018
- Tuesday 27th November 2018
- Tuesday 5th February 2019
- Tuesday 30th April 2019

Mrs Sizer will also be visiting the nurseries throughout the year to read the children stories.

Attendance w/e 21st September 2018
Our whole target is 97.5%



Please remember to telephone school if your child is unwell so that such absences can be recorded as unauthorised. If permission is not given for a holiday or we are not informed of the reason for an absence, it will have to be recorded as unauthorised. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Lawrenson