



Newchurch Primary School

News from Newchurch Primary School and across the Federation

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Value of the week: **Courage**

CONGRATULATIONS MRS STARKEY & OUR EYFS TEAM!

We are so proud of Mrs Starkey and her EYFS team as following a visit from colleagues in both Hampshire and The IOW Local Authority they have been designated as Leading Foundation Stage Practitioners. This is an accolade for Newchurch Primary School as the visitors shared that the provision for our youngest learners was simply outstanding! They noted how engrossed the children were in the learning opportunities on offer and how both the inside and outdoor areas gave multiple opportunities for the children to learn through their play. Mrs Starkey now has the opportunity to support and develop other colleagues working in early years across the Isle of Wight and Hampshire ensuring her expertise is shared. I think we can expect a few visitors to our school in the future as a result!

WE ARE FULL FOR SEPTEMBER!

Congratulations to all of our community members who were informed on Monday that their child has a place at Newchurch Primary School starting in September 2018. We are once again over-subscribed which is fantastic! All new intake information will be sent via the post and should be with you very soon. We look forward to meeting all of our new learners in the coming weeks!

GOOD LUCK MR TUCK!



We would all like to wish Mr Tuck lots of luck as he is running the London Marathon on Sunday. He has been in training for several months and has been getting some impressive results in his running so far. He hopes to complete the 26.2 mile course in 2 hours 50 mins and is encouraged that the weather forecast suggests it will be a nice warm and sunny day as he likes to run in good weather! If you want to look out for Mr Tuck on the TV his official race number is 31994—I am sure he will hear our cheers all the way up in London and we look forward to hearing all about his day in an assembly next week.

PERFECT PERFORMANCES OF THE PIED PIPER!

Thank you to all friends and family members who came to support Lower Key Stage 2's production of the Pied Piper of Hamelin. The play told us the traditional tale of how a strange character enters Hamelin to try to lure the rats away however all does not go according to plan when the children are also enticed by his magic music! There were a few twists to the original story though as the Piper in our story had the ability to rap (Well done Cara!) and the rats had a few funny characteristics going on! It really was an amazing show with some amazing performances and thankfully all key characters were fit and healthy and able to perform unlike before Easter.



PRICE OF SCHOOL MEAL SET TO INCREASE

We have been advised by Caterlink, our school meals provider, that from Sept 1st 2018 the price of school meals will increase to £2.05. This price we have been assured will be held for the minimum of a year.



Sports News

ONLY 1 WEEK UNTIL THE NEWCHURCH NINE!

Have you registered your entry yet?

Currently we have over 270 runners already registered for this fantastic event taking place on Sunday 29th April. With a choice of 9km, 4.5km or a 900m course there is something to suit all ages and abilities. All pre-registered participants will be rewarded with a medal once across the finish line and will automatically be entered into a prize draw. Deadline for pre entry is **Wednesday 25th April**. Entries will however still be accepted on the day.

Thank you to 1Lesiure who are working in partnership with Newchurch this year and to all of those businesses who have offered prizes for the draw- for a full list please see the school Facebook page.

If you fancy taking part please register at

<https://goo.gl/qefUQ1>

If you don't fancy running but would still like to support the event we are looking for donations of cakes to sell on the day and with approximately 300 runners we are going to need a lot of cake! Please bring to school on the morning of the event if you can or otherwise bring into school at the end of the day on Friday where staff will be happy to keep them safe! Thank you in advance for your support of what promises to be another excellent event here at Newchurch.



SURF-TASTIC!

Thank you to Chris Mannion from iSURF who donated three surf sessions for the Attendance Assembly earlier this week for last term's 100% attendees.

Congratulations TO Honeysuckle, Amelia and Naomi, enjoy the surf girls!



This week's problem taken from a SATs practice paper:

Find the values of a and b ,
if $7a - 4b = 2$ and $2a + 5b = 19$

Answer to previous Maths problem:

Dana works in an ice cream van. The formula for how much money she earns in one day is: **Money earned = £2 × number of ice creams sold + £20**

On Monday she sold 16 ice creams; on Tuesday 24; and on Wednesday 50.

How much money does she earn on Monday?

How much more does she earn on Wednesday than on Monday?

So what have we been learning about this week?

Lacey Class have got new class pets ... five city caterpillars! We are loving watching them grow and learning about their life cycle. We can't believe how much they've grown in a week and they are much more active, crawling all over their home. We have also read *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle and talked about the days of the week and healthy and unhealthy food. We even made our own healthy mini beast snacks which were yummy!

We've also had a fantastic week in the sunshine, building ships with the loose parts; making stew in the mud kitchen; hunting for bugs in the wood chips; washing windows and painting walls in the house.

In Murray Class this week, we have been looking at *Jack and the Beanstalk*- the beanstalk even managed to get inside our classroom! We've had princess castles, giant's castles, it always security guards on the door! We have thought about what we might find at the top if we were to climb up. Chocolate lands, unicorn lands, ice cream lands, Spain were just some of the ideas! In maths, we have looked at halving shapes and numbers and beginning to think about what a quarter looks like. We have some budding artists in the class too- lots of lovely observational drawings of plants.

Moore class have been revising multiplication and division in Maths this week, with an investigation on finding out how many different ways you can make £20 out of just £1 and £2 coins. After a tricky time working out how to ensure we'd found all of the possibilities (being systematic!), we worked out that there are actually 11 ways! Some children went on to begin to work out how many ways there are of making £20 out of £5 notes, £2 and £1 coins. We have also revised the idea that there are two different ways of dividing - either by grouping or by sharing - ask your child if they can explain the difference. We also enjoyed using our times tables to help us on a x and -:- treasure hunt around the school! In English and Topic, we have been finding out about the Tudor way of life and in particular we have been studying the explorers Sir Francis Drake and Sir Walter Raleigh.

Briggs class have had a good first week back. We have started the new text 'Castles' and have been inspired to write our own settings for potato mountain castle. We have been really concentrated on our descriptive language, finding new words to enrich our writing. In Maths we have been looking at pictograms and answering questions about the results. Looking at ways of presenting our own data is really important as we are always organising our work so it is systematic and easy to read. We have finally performed our play 'The Pied Piper of Hamelin' to a real live audience and enjoyed every moment of it. I feel we have some real stars among us!

What an exciting week Sotherton Class. We have been enjoying the beautiful spring sunshine to begin our new class text, *How to Train your Dragon* by Cressida Cresswell. Already we are enthused by such characters as Gobber the Belch, Fishlegs and Snotlout! Our Maths sessions have focussed on Time and using concrete and pictorial resources to understand the many different ways and types of language associated with it.

We also had the privilege of seeing our fantastic performers in the Y3/4 production. We are so proud of how well they did! With our residential trip to Little Canada and the J-rock finals, next week is sure to be just as eventful!

This week Attrill Class have been looking at Roman Numerals, we have been converting numbers and solving problems with them. In English we have started our book 'The Midnight Fox.' We have written character profiles for the characters and linked our work on antonyms and synonyms to foxes. In Science our topic is 'Living Things and their Habitats.' This week we looked at the characteristics of mammals and found out about how foxes survive and their lifecycle.

On Monday Martin class started revising for the up and coming SATs in four weeks time. In Maths they have revised measures and in English they have looked at spelling rules for plurals, prefixes and suffixes; and word classes as well as sentence structures. They have carried out research on the Needles in order to create a working model of the Needles Lighthouse as part of their Science unit on Electricity. In their Spanish lesson with Mrs Horobin they looked at the artwork of Pablo Picasso. Chris Bamber came in to take pictures for their leaver's book on Thursday - the children looked great in their friendship groups. Today, the children who are taking part in JRock next week, have been rehearsing - we wish them good luck for the competition.

Attendance updates:

Year R	100%
Year 1	98.8%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	99.4%
Year 4	98.7%
Year 5	100%
Year 6	99.3%

Whole School Target 2017/18 **97%**

Education Welfare Service are monitoring any pupil under 90% as this is considered to be Persistent Absence. Please be aware that we will need to ask for evidence, such as doctor appointment cards, to present to EWS should medical advice be sought.

Please remember we are unable to authorise **any** absence from school due to holidays during term time, and that this is Government Legislation not an individual school or Federation decision. The Truancy Penalty Notice for unauthorised absence during term time is £60 per parent per child.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE EDUCATION WELFARE SERVICE ARE MONITORING LATE ARRIVALS TO SCHOOL

KEY DATES FOR THIS HALF TERM:

- 24TH APRIL—J ROCK
- 25TH APRIL—Y4 TO LITTLE CANADA
- 29TH APRIL—NEWCHURCH 9
- 30TH APRIL—MARATHON TRACK DAY
- 30TH APRIL YEAR 5 MENTORING DAY
- 1ST MAY—YEAR 3 & 4 MENTORING DAY
- 2ND MAY—YEAR 1 & 2 MENTORING DAY
- 2ND MAY—YEAR 5 TO LONDON
- 14TH MAY (week)KS2 NATIONAL TESTS SATS
- 8th May & 21st May (weeks) KS1 SATS
- 25TH MAY—END OF TERM

CHILDREN WILL FIND
OUT THEIR NEW
TEACHER FOR NEXT
YEAR ON MOVE UP DAY

29TH JUNE 2018

Lunchtime Menu – Caterlink for week beginning 23rd April 2018

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Chicken Arrabiata Pasta	Beef Fajitas with Jacket Wedges	Roast Pork, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken & Flavoured Rice	Fish & Chips
Vegetarian	Jollof Rice with Quorn & Mixed Beans	Vege Chilli & Rice	Lentil & Basil Puff Pastry Turnover & Roast Potatoes	Macaroni Cheese	Cheese & Tomato French Bread Pizza
Dessert	Berry & Apple Cobbler & Cream	Lemon Drizzle Cake	Oaty Cookie with Fruit Yoghurt	Chocolate & Mandarin Sponge	Vanilla Shortbread

Yoghurt & fresh fruit is available daily as a dessert choice

ALL HOT MEAL ORDERS MUST BE IN BY 9.15AM DON'T BE LATE THE COOK CAN'T WAIT!!!

