



Newburgh Primary School

"A caring school where every child matters" (OFSTED)

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What's on this week	Monday 9th December	Tuesday 10th December	Wednesday 11th December	Thursday 12th December	Friday 13th December
Before school 8am-8.55am					
Activities during the school day 	Replacement Woodwind session Y1 'A Cracking Christmas' performance @ 2.15 pm & 5.30pm (adults only)	Stay and Play group Y1 - Y6 pantomime visit to see 'Snow White' Reception Christmas performance @ 2pm (families with younger siblings)	Replacement Guitar session Reception Christmas performance @ 10am School Tour for parents with children due to start school in Sept 20 @ 9.30 am Y2 'A Cracking Christmas' performance @ 2.15 pm & 5.30pm (adults only)	Forest School Y3 (Group 2) Reception Christmas performance @ 10am School Tour for parents with children due to start school in Sept 20 @ 1.30pm Y3 'A Cracking Christmas' performance @ 2.15 pm & 5.30pm (adults only)	Y1 Vision Screening Y6 Swimming Y4 & Y6 Choir singing at Warwick Hospital
Lunchtime		Home Learning club			Home Learning club
After school (3.15-4.15pm unless otherwise stated)	Reception Multisports Club - Fitt4Kids Y1&2 TAG Rugby Club - Fitt4Kids	Reception Well being Club	Y5 Cookery Club		

Dear Parents/Guardians

Thank you to all who came out in the cold last Saturday to plant the new hedge trees around the car park area (and drink hot chocolate!) in school. One of the things that the children told me, during my interview for the headship at Newburgh, was that they wanted to do more to care for the planet and were very clear that they wanted to make a difference for their future. Mrs Franklin has started a 'Newburgh Grove' in a wild wood in the Caledonian forest in Scotland. The first tree was planted for my birthday! Please consider giving a tree as a gift at Christmas or instead of sending in sweets for a child's birthday.

*Kind regards,
Mrs Simpkins, Headteacher*

RECEPTION INTAKE - SEPTEMBER 2020

May we please remind families that if you have a child due to start school in September 2020, then applications need to be made online to Warwickshire Schools Admissions department by 15th January latest. Late applications may result in you missing out on a place at your preferred school.

We have 2 tours planned for this week (detailed in calendar above) for families to view our school. If you know families locally who are looking for school places please pass on these details. Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

7th December - Newburgh Xmas Fair 12 - 2 pm



Reception Christmas performances:

- 10th December - 2pm (families with younger siblings)
- 11th December - 10am
- 12th December - 10 am

10th December - Y1 to Y6 visit to Snow White Pantomime

Lower School Christmas performances:

- 9th December - Year 1 - 2.15pm & 5.30 pm
- 11th December - Year 2 - 2.15pm & 5.30 pm
- 12th December - Year 3 - 2.15pm & 5.30 pm

Please note adults only to all 5.30 pm performances

Friday 20th December - Last day of term

Monday 6th January - Training day (no children in school)

Tuesday 7th January - children return to school following Christmas break.

Friday 10th January - Y2 celebration assembly 9 am



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Please remember our responsibilities to ourselves, our children and our neighbours when driving or parking around the school site. This is especially important where children and parents are crossing Kipling Avenue to enter school.

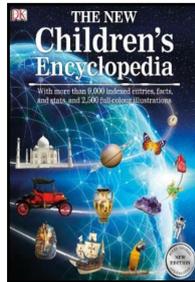
BOOK SOME TIME - The New Children's Encyclopedia, DK

When? Where? What? Why? This stimulating and comprehensive encyclopedia for children provides answers to all the questions kids love to ask.

Each chapter is jam-packed with maps, charts, timelines, diagrams, beautiful images and amazing facts. Did you know, for example, that a single drop of blood contains around five million blood cells? Or that there are areas of desert in all seven of Earth's continents?

Prepare to build your knowledge on a wide range of topics - including Earth and beyond, plants and animals, history and politics, science, technology, and the human body - arranged thematically with more than 9,000 indexed entries and 2,500 colourful images. Cross-reference icons encourage children to explore and discover linked information, feeding their curiosity and building their general knowledge.

The New Children's Encyclopedia, which has sold almost 500,000 copies worldwide since 2009, has now been fully updated in line with the latest knowledge and research. Developed, written, and checked by experts this is the must-have reference book for every child's library. *Mrs. Fitzpatrick*



PTA CORNER

Newburgh Christmas fair will take place on **Saturday 7th December from 12 - 2pm.** Please come along and support our school.



GOVERNORS CORNER - Sally Nowak, Parent Governor

The other day in one of our regular governor meetings we were looking at a website draft for the school site which will hopefully be coming soon and be far more user friendly! We started talking about the school emblem and wondered about the origins of this - it is at the top of this newsletter. A very striking pose of a knight on horseback, sword drawn, charging towards a blood-thirsty battle.... my boys think it's great!

I am assuming the knight must be Henry de Newburgh the 1st Earl of Warwick. His father Roger de Beaumont was a powerful lord in Normandy who came over with William the Conqueror to defeat the Anglo-Saxons in 1066. He is pictured in the Bayeux tapestry sitting next to the new King at a celebration feast in Hastings after wiping out the entire English army - they didn't leave any prisoners. (There is a very funny song for kids on iPlayer from Horrible Histories about William the Conqueror)

Henry was given by his father the lordship of Le Neubourg in France and he changed his name to 'de newburgh' which essentially means "from the new borough/town". He went on to support King William 2nd in another gory blood-thirsty rebellion and was given a huge reward of land which included most of Warwickshire and Rutland and a chunk of South Wales. He built a number of castles in his time before returning to France to die in a monastery.

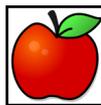
The history we are surrounded by in Warwick is absolutely fascinating. But I wonder if anyone can find out more of our recent history from when Newburgh was established in the 1950s? Who decided the name Newburgh and who designed our emblem? Perhaps you have grandparents who have lived in Warwick all their lives who you can interview and if you find out let me know!



If you have a comment or query for governors, please contact us at governors2325@welearn365.com

TUCK AND HEALTHY SNACKS

For children in Years 3-6 there is the opportunity to buy 'tuck' at break time from the serving hatch in the main hall. A healthy snack of fruit may also be brought in to eat at break time but to avoid litter on the playground we ask that wrapped snacks are avoided or consumed in the main hall only. Reception, Y1 and 2 pupils are provided with a fruit snack daily, free of charge. Please do not provide children with chocolate bars and sweets for break time.



WATER BOTTLES

We have water coolers installed in school to make fresh drinking water more accessible for all pupils. Pupils should bring in their own water bottles which may be refilled throughout the day, as required. For hygiene reasons, all bottles must be clearly named and taken home to be washed daily in warm soapy water or washed in a dishwasher and returned the next day.

