

# Newbold and Tredington C of E Primary School News letter

## May 2016



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### *Our value for Collective Worship is Truthfulness*



With a wet and soggy April behind us we look forward to the warmer, sunny weather that the summer will bring us (hopefully). The term has already got off to a busy start with sporting events, a wide variety of after school clubs and lots of new topics to enhance our learning.

You may have noticed that this is the first news letter of the term. I have decided to produce a monthly newsletter so that I can pack it full of the different events that we have been participating in.

Many thanks

Sam Welsby

On Wednesday 20th April Mrs Shotton's Year 3/4 class from Welcombe Hills School came to visit. The children spent the morning solving shape and symmetry problems. It was wonderful to see all the children working together. Later in the term I am hoping to take two groups over to Welcombe Hills School so that we can spend the morning in their class.



Harry, Lois, Sophie S, Amelia, Jacob, Francesca and Zander took part in the cluster swimming gala on Thursday 14th April. Everyone swam brilliantly and Sophie S and Harry have made it through to the next stage at Stratford pool in May.

Please can you make sure that all forms and money come into school with your child and they put them in the boxes in classrooms. We are encouraging them to be independent and responsible for their own belongings. They will then be sent to Mrs Baker during registration. Parents are also reminded that they are not allowed to walk through the school to get to the office in the morning or after school.

The installation of the new trim trail took place over the Easter holidays and the children have taken every opportunity to use it. Ruby class look forward to their visits on a Friday so they can use it too.

We have also been visited by Easyfundraising as they have been so impressed about how much money we have raised through them they wanted to use us as a case study. Easy fundraising is a website that you go through to do your shopping. Lots of the big retailers are



involved including Tesco, John Lewis and Amazon. The companies give a donation to school each time you use them so if you are not already involved google Easy fundraising and look for Newbold and Tredington School. You could help to raise vital funds just by doing your normal shopping!!



Once a gain a massive THANK YOU to the PTFA for all their hard work to raise an enormous amount of money.

### PTFA EVENTS

Tuesday 10th May  
Monday 16th May  
Friday 20th May

PTFA Meeting 8pm The Fuzzy Duck  
Year 6 Enterprise week  
Family Quiz Night



## **Reminder for Parents – Leave Of Absence during Term Time**

As you will all be aware, current attendance regulations stipulate a Head teacher may not grant a leave of absence during term-time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Each application for a leave of absence will be considered on a case by case basis and on its own merits.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what he/she views as 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. If the leave is granted, the Head teacher is able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

The school can only consider leave of absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

Where applications for leave of absence are made in advance and refused, the child will be required to be in school on the dates set out in the application. If the child is absent during that period, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence, which may result in legal action being taken against the parent(s), by way of a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Failure to make an application for leave in advance can also result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued to the parent(s).

Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is issued and not paid within the required timeframe as set out on the notice, the matter will be referred to Warwickshire County Council's Legal Services to consider instigating criminal proceedings under S444 Education Act 1996.

Parents are asked to respect the new regulations under which the school must work and if there is a need to take a child out of school during term-time, an application or request must be made in advance and make clear how the circumstances are exceptional.

LINK DAY for Year 1 to 6  
Christianity around the world  
Tuesday 17th May

The children will be learning about the different faces of Jesus around the world.

Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May

Staff Training Day  
Tuesday 3rd May (Nursery open)

### **A MESSAGE FOR YEAR 6 (and all our children)**

Over the past few months - you have put in lots of effort in preparation for your SATs. You will nail them. We know you will. At the moment, you've been doing a lot of English and maths, but you've got lots of other skills. Not every skill is taught in school and even less are tested. You might be a great horse rider, fantastic gymnast or have got green fingers... You might be a people-person, a problem-solver or a poet. SATs are never going to show off all these amazing skills.

They don't test whether you're a creative person, can write code, whether you are good at teaching IT skills to your granddad or have a rapport with animals. They don't test your speaking skills or whether you can mend anything put in front of you. They don't measure whether you're arty or sporty, musical or love science. Although subjects like maths and English are important, never forget you've been given talents in plenty of other areas too.

Please try your best to think of these tests as "something I've got to do, but not the most important thing in the world."



*We will holding a special lunch and tea party for the children on Friday 24th June to celebrate the Queen's birthday. We will send out a form closer to the time to see if you would like to have the special school dinner that day.*

Dates for 2015/16:	
Monday 2nd May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 3rd May	INSET DAY (Nursery open but school closed)
Saturday 7th May	Swimming gala finals
Monday 9th May	KS2 SATs Week
Monday 23rd May	New Intake Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 24th May	Rounders tournament
Friday 27th May	Family Assembly - Emerald Class 1pm at Tredington
Monday 30th May	Half term
Monday 6th June	Croft Farm Week
Friday 17th June	Sports Day Link Day Father's day BBQ
Wednesday 22nd June	Reserve Sports Day
Friday 24th June	Special Queen's birthday school lunch
Tuesday 28th June	Warwickshire Induction Day
Wednesday 13th July	End of term Production
Thursday 14th July	End of term Production
Monday 18th July	Open Morning for Parents 8.40-11.00am
Thursday 21st July	LINK DAY Leavers' Service 2pm at St Gregory's Tredington End of term
Friday 22nd July	Training Day