

Newbold and Tredington C of E Primary School

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Our value for Collective Worship is Courage

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was wonderful to see everyone returning to school refreshed and ready to learn - including the staff!!

We have a number of dates already in the diary and I will endeavour to keep posting the weekly bulletin on the Newbold and Tredington Facebook page every Friday, so that you can check the week ahead and ensure that all the letters have arrived safely home.

We are still a considerable number of data collection and photo consent forms outstanding so you will be receiving extra copies if they were not returned before the summer holidays. It is vitally important that we have those details and as soon as possible so that staff are aware of your choices i.e. when and where we can use photographs of your children. We have already had the Stratford Herald in school taking a photograph of our new starters.

If you have any issues that you wish to discuss please make contact with your child's class teacher. Please can also express how important it is to let the office know if there are any changes to your end of day routine. Please let Mrs Baker know as soon as possible if your arrangements change.

Mrs Welsby

PTFA NEWS

AGM Tuesday 26th September 2017@Tredington School. 8pm

Please join us at Tredington

Please can you let Mrs Welsby know if you are able to bake a cake for the coffee morning.

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Parents Information Evening

Letters went home this week with the dates and times of the Parent Information Evenings:

Tuesday 12th September - Tredington

Wednesday 13th September - Newbold

Cystic Fibrosis Trust

On Friday 22nd September there is going to be a "Jeans for Genes" non-uniform day to raise money for Cystic Fibrosis trust.

Please bring a donation of a pound for the trust and for the families affected by this condition and you can wear jeans for the day!

Thank you

Toast Money

Please can you send all toast money in to school in an envelop or small purse. The children will have a box in their classroom that they can keep the purses in. Loose change can get very confusing!

LEAVE OF ABSENCE DURING TERM TIME

UPDATED INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Supreme Court recently reached a decision in the case of Platt v Isle of Wight Council which has clarified the law on unauthorised leave, including holidays, during term time. The parents of children of compulsory school age are required to ensure that they attend school on a regular basis. The Supreme Court has made clear that attending school 'regularly' means that the children must attend school on every day that they are required to do so. As such, the parents of any child who is absent from school without authorisation for any length of time are likely to be considered as committing an offence under s444 of the Education Act 1996.

Head Teachers retain the ability to authorise leave in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006. When considering such requests for a leave of absence, the school are obliged to act within the law. Head Teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. If the leave is granted, head teachers are able to determine the number of school days a child can be absent for.

It is for the Head Teacher to decide what is 'exceptional' and it is at their discretion if the circumstances warrant the leave to be granted. The school can only consider Leave of Absence requests which are made by the 'resident' parent.

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

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).

All matters of unauthorised absence relating to a Leave of Absence will be referred to the Attendance, Compliance and Enforcement Service of Warwickshire County Council

It is important to note, Fixed Penalty Notices are issued to each parent of each absent child, (for example 2 children and 2 parents, means each parent will receive 2 invoices in the amount of £120 each, totalling £240 for both children, this is reduced to £60 per child if paid within 21 days).

Where a Fixed Penalty Notice is 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.

Fixed Penalty Notices are issued in accordance with Warwickshire County Council's Code of Conduct for Penalty Notices.

Your child's progress academically as well as socially is our shared priority

DIARY DATES:	
Tuesday 12th September	Parents' Information Evening (Tredington) 6-7.30pm Swimming for Year 4/5/6
Wednesday 13th September	Parents' Information Evening (Newbold) 6-6.30pm
Friday 22nd September	Jeans for Genes day for Cystic Fibrosis - non uniform £1 minimum donation
Monday 25th September	Key Stage 1 Agility
Wednesday 27th September	Year 1 IMPaCT - English
Friday 29th September	Macmillan Coffee Morning 10-11am
Wednesday 4th October	Sapphire IMPaCT - English
Friday 6th October	Shining Stars Celebration Assembly 3pm
Wednesday 11th October	Amber IMPaCT - English
Friday 13th October	Staff training day - Nursery open

Wednesday 18th October	Emerald IMPaCT - English
Friday 20th October	Ruby Class Assembly 3pm
Monday 23rd October	Half Term
Thursday 2nd November	Reception phonics evening
Friday 3rd November	Shining Stars Celebration Assembly 3pm
Wednesday 8th November	Tchoukball 4-5.30pm Shipston High School
Friday 10th November	Whole School Remembrance Service (3pm)
Friday 17th November	Sapphire Class Assembly
Monday 20th November	Parents' Evening 4-6pm
Wednesday 22nd November	Parents' Evening 4-6pm
Thursday 23rd November	LINK DAY - Christmas Around the World
Thursday 7th December	Dodgeball SHS 4-5.30pm
Friday 8th December	Amber Class Assembly
Tuesday 12th December	Last swimming for Year 4/5/6
Friday 15th December	Shining Stars Celebration Assembly 3pm
Friday 5th January 2018	(Warwickshire training day)
Friday 25th May 2018	Staff training
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Please note there is one more day to set.