

Newton News



Dear Families,

We have had an exciting few weeks in school with great support from you for World Book Day and Comic Relief. We saw some fabulous costumes and the children shared some beautiful stories that encourage them to think about their own well being. During Red Nose Day we saw some fabulous red nose designs a long with some great outfits and lots of RED! As a school we raised £83.00 for this amazing cause.

Celebration assemblies have been very positive this term with so many great achievements recognised in and out of school. It been great to see children proudly wearing their dojo medals and also sharing their achievements from outside of school.

It has felt like a term of hard work, big achievements and fun, that comes with hard work from staff, children and families. As ever my thanks go to those that support all we do.



Our Playground

We've been working hard to make our playground an even more fun and engaging space for the children. Our Lunchtime Supervisors, alongside Mrs. Baines, have recently completed SMILERS training, and we've added lots of new playground games for everyone to enjoy. The trim trail is also proving very popular and is being used regularly.

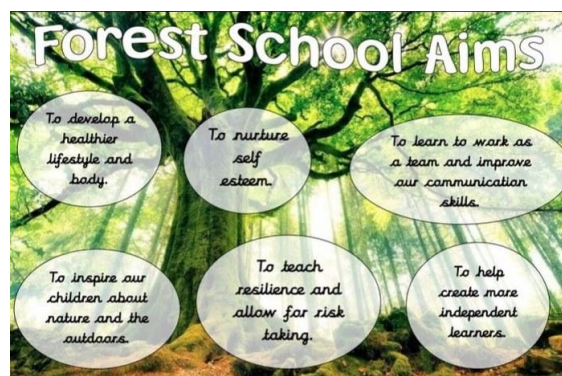
We are still on the lookout for any construction toys, Lego, Barbie-style dolls, and dressing-up outfits that the children can use during lunchtime play. If you have any items in good condition that you're able to donate, they would be greatly appreciated!



Staffing Update

You may have noticed a couple of new faces around school recently. Mrs. Hunt, our new Teaching Assistant, is supporting Topaz Class in the afternoons. We're also pleased to welcome Miss Woolley, who is supporting Amethyst and Ruby Classes on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Forest School for Ruby Class – Starting After Easter!



After the Easter break, our Year 5/6 children in Ruby Class will be taking part in Forest School sessions every Friday afternoon.

Forest School is a fantastic opportunity for children to explore nature, build confidence, and develop teamwork and problem-solving skills in an outdoor environment.

To help your child get the most out of each session, please make sure they come prepared every Friday with:

🧣 **Warm clothing** (that you don't mind getting muddy)

🧤 **Wellington boots**

🧥 **A waterproof, all-weather coat**

We'll be heading outside in all kinds of weather, so it's important children are dressed appropriately each week. Thank you for your support—we can't wait to see what adventures await!

Safeguarding at Newton



At Newton Primary, we work hard every day to safeguard our children by ensuring our school is a safe, caring, and nurturing place to learn. All staff are trained to identify and respond to concerns, following clear procedures designed to protect every pupil's wellbeing. We work closely with families and external agencies to promote children's safety both in school and beyond.

If you ever have any worries or concerns about a child, please speak to a member of our Safeguarding Team — we are always here to help.

For any concerns **outside of school hours**, these should be reported directly to **Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190**

Lost Property



All lost property is currently stored in the labelled boxes located in the reception area. If your child is missing any uniform or personal items, please pop in and have a look through the boxes at your convenience. We encourage families to check regularly, as unclaimed items will eventually be donated to local charity shops.

384 Club – Important Reminder

Please ensure your account remains in credit for 384 Club and let us know in advance if your child will not be attending a session. With limited places available, cancelling with notice allows another child the opportunity to attend.

As the club operates on a not-for-profit basis, we will need to charge for sessions not cancelled at least 24 hours in advance. Thank you for your understanding and support in helping the club run smoothly.

SEND at Newton

Mrs. Booth, our SENDCo, has been working hard to raise the profile of Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) across the school. We have now hosted two successful SEND coffee afternoons, giving families the opportunity to meet, share experiences, and ask questions. Mrs. Booth has also been meeting with families of children who have SEND Passports to ensure support is tailored and effective.

In addition, she has created a range of helpful resources on our school website for parents and carers who would like to learn more about SEND. If you have any questions or would like to understand more about Special Educational Needs at Newton Primary, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Booth — she is always happy to help.



Join our Facebook Page



If you haven't already joined, join our Facebook page!

It is a fantastic way to get the latest news, achievements and information, as soon as they are available.

[Click here to take you to our page.](#)

Diary Dates



April	
Monday 13 th April	Children return to school
Wednesday -Friday 15-17 th April	Dukes Barn for Year 3 and 4
Wednesday 22 nd April	Visit from Derby Cathedral to Topaz class
Thursday 23 rd April 2026	Recreate the streets event at Newton Primary School. Families from 2.30
Friday 24 th April	INSET DAY- School closed to pupils
Tuesday 28 th April	Diamond and Emerald Homework exhibition 8.40-9.10am
Tuesday 28 th April	Adam Pepper in with Topaz class to make a Viking film!
Thursday 30 th April	Governors' open afternoon

May	
Monday 4 th May	Bank holiday – School closed to all.
Wednesday 6 th May	Whole School sponsored walk in the afternoon (weather permitting!)
Thursday 7 th May	Year 1/2 cricket all stars
Monday 11 th – Thursday 14 th May	Year 6 SATs tests
Thursday 14 th May	Reception summer fun 9:30am
Friday 15 th May	Year 6 SATs treat
Thursday 21 st May	Derbyshire Fire and rescue service Emerald and Ruby class
Friday 22 nd May	Governor open morning
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th May	HALF TERM HOLIDAY

June	
Monday 1 st June	Children return to school
Wednesday 3 rd June	Y6 celebration event, Sheffield.
Thursday 4 th June	Colour Run
Monday 8 th June	INSET day, school closed to pupils
Monday 11 th June	Y5/6 Mixed Dynamos Cricket
Tuesday 16 th June	Topaz Celebration event at Derby Cathedral. 3.30-6.00pm
Wednesday 17 th June	Class school photos.
Thursday 18 th June	Sports afternoon (first attempt)
Monday 22nd – 36th June	Year 6 transition to Tibshelf
TBC	Class summer trips

July	
Thursday 2 nd July	Sports afternoon (contingency)
Monday 6 th -Wednesday 8 th July	Whitehall trip – Year 5 and 6.
Monday 13 th July	Adam Pepper in to make a film about Newton Primary School. Children in smart uniform please!
Wednesday 15 th July	Ruby Class performance
Thursday 16 th July	Year 6 Celebration event 5.30pm
Monday 20 th July	Full governors meeting 5:15pm
Thursday 23 rd July	Year 6 leavers Assembly. Last day of school.

We will keep adding to these dates as new events are confirmed!

<https://www.newton.derbyshire.sch.uk/stream/newsletters/full/1/-//>

Vacancies

We currently have a vacancy for a relief Midday Supervisor, if you are interested, please call into the school office to find out further details..

the BIG RE Quiz



Thank you to everyone who joined us!

It was wonderful to see so many families in school, and the children thoroughly enjoyed sharing their learning with you.

If you haven't already done so, please take a moment to complete the Family Workshops survey. Your feedback is incredibly valuable and will help shape our planning for future sessions. [Parent Workshop Feedback Survey – Fill out form](#)

PE Timetable

Summer 1 2026				
	9.00 – 10.00	10.00 – 11.00	1.00 – 2.00	2.00 – 3.00
Monday			Emerald (Real PE)	Diamond (Hall if want to use)
Tuesday			Amethyst (Rounders)	Topaz (Real PE)
Wednesday	Physical Literacy R- 9-9.30 A- 9.30- 10 T- 10.30-11	Diamond Premier Sports (10-10.30)	Ruby (Y5) Premier Sports (10.30-11.30) (Gymnastics)	Emerald Premier Sports (Rounders)
Thursday			Ruby (Real PE)	Topaz Premier Sports (Rounders)
Friday			Amethyst (Real PE)	

Friends of Newton School (FoNS) PTFA



Why join our FoNS PTFA?

Friends of Newton School (FoNS) plays a vital role in the success of Newton Primary School. The fundraising the team undertakes makes a huge difference, helping us provide the extra-special experiences and opportunities that enrich school life.

Their most recent achievement is the fantastic new trim trail, which the children are already enjoying. In previous years, FoNS has funded seaside trips, Easter eggs, books, and Christmas gifts for every child — all memorable moments made possible by their hard work.

As we look ahead, we would love to give this wonderful group a fresh start as we begin fundraising for our next project: creating a much-needed shaded area in our playground. Any support, ideas, or new members would be warmly welcomed.

It's totally flexible

Whether you're a full-time parent or working the nine to five, anyone can get involved. It's less commitment than you think. Small jobs such as organising uniforms, promoting events or clearing coffee cups keep everything running smoothly.

Make friendships

Meet and chat to a wider circle of families from different classes and year groups. Get to know other parents, and enjoy events and get-togethers.

Impact your child's learning

Studies show that children whose parents and carers are involved in their education do better in school and our FoNS benefits equally from active parents/carers.

Everyone is welcome

It's important to have mums, dads, carers and Grandparents represented. We all bring different skills, ideas and different perspectives.

Create lasting memories

Your children are only at school for a few years, but they will remember the difference we make for a lifetime. They will cherish the activities we fund, learn using resources we buy, and remember the events we put on. Help keep FoNS going so future children can benefit too.

Join us.....

Wednesday 29th April at 2.30pm in the Hive. Tea and coffee will be available



Calling all Newton Families
Friends of Newton School PTFA
Let's explore how we can raise funds together!

WEDNESDAY 29TH APRIL

2:30 PM



In the Hive @
Newton Primary School



Hosted by
Mrs Baines
and Mrs Booth

Easter

Thank youuuuuuu...

What a fabulous surprise we had when we received an offer of Easter eggs for our children from DSK Designs!

Many thanks to Laura and Luke for thinking of our children. We feel so lucky to be part of the Newton community.



🌸 As we come to the end of a busy and joyful term, we want to wish all our families a very happy and restful Easter holiday. We hope you enjoy this special time together, creating memories, relaxing, and enjoying the break with your children.

A huge **thank you** for your continued support this term — from joining in with **World Book Day**, to helping us raise money during **Comic Relief**, and taking part in our **Non-Uniform Day**. Your involvement makes such a difference to the children and to our school community.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back after the holidays, refreshed and ready for an exciting summer term ahead.

Happy Easter from all of the Newton Team! 🌸 🐣