

Message from Mrs Webb

A warm welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term – I hope you had a lovely break. The children worked so hard last half term and their topic outcomes were a great success. As you know, we had a visit from Ofsted on the 31st October, which was a real Halloween trick! Despite the stress of it all, I was very proud to show off our school to the inspector, and can only credit the teachers and students for their brilliant work ethic, and thank the parents for their involvement in this. I look forward to sharing the official results with you once we receive them. We have a busy few weeks ahead with new topics and the build up to the Christmas period but I know the children will continue to work hard and ‘Be Their Best’ whilst enjoying the festivities.

Anna Webb
Headteacher



Road Safety

Please set the best example for others around you by displaying the correct road safety etiquette and crossing the road with the lollipop man before and after school. It has been noted that some people are not adhering to this code, and this could endanger children’s lives.



Scooters and Bikes



Please can you make sure that children do not ride their scooters or bikes on the roads or school grounds to ensure we keep everybody as safe as possible. Also, we ask that children be more aware of those around them before performing tricks to prevent accidentally hurting others.

Children should not be riding their bikes to school without an adult unless they have passed their cycling proficiency.

Dropping Off and Collection of Children

The gates at Newbridge open at 8.40am to enable the children to go straight into class and complete activities set by their teacher to ready themselves for learning. The teachers like to spend this time before registration talking to and helping children settle ready for the day ahead. We feel that as we are now into the second half of the term, we would like to promote children’s independence by expecting them to come into the school building on their own. Any messages for the teacher can be passed through your child or via the school office. If you wish to talk to your child’s teacher, please could you make an appointment at the office for after school to minimise disruption at the beginning of the day.

Please note that parents **may not** wait at the office to collect their children at the end of the school day unless a prior arrangement has been made with Mrs Webb. The collection of children is from the playground only, unless you are running late. Please respect our rules and your fellow parents.

Golden Ticket Attendance Prize Winners

Congratulations to our Golden Ticket winners, they are as follows:

1st prize (£20 Asda voucher)- Katelyn Ford 3J

2nd prize (Book and lego stickers)- Tanatswa Nyambuya 3J

3rd prize (Book and lego stickers)- Alfie Walker 6vR



Attendance

Please remember that the Law stipulates that **NO** unnecessary absence can be authorised during term time and a fine of **£60 per child per parent** will be issued if you do choose to take your child out of school without permission.

If for any reason you do need to request a leave of absence from school for your child/ren, a leave of absence form can be collected from the office. Please note that this form must be returned to the office 10 days before the planned absence in order to give the school time to process it correctly.

School Uniform

As the term progresses a number of children are arriving to school not wearing black shoes. Please remember that sensible **all-black** shoes have to be worn every day as they are a part of our uniform.

Please make sure that your child's clothing is clearly and indelibly marked with his/her name. We frequently end up with many sweatshirts in lost property, none of which are marked.

The wearing of jewellery is discouraged and nail varnish should not be worn at any time.



Please note that there will be a lost property table put out for Parents Meeting on Monday 13th November should you wish to look for any items your child may have lost.

Reminders

- School starts promptly at 8.55am (gates open at 8.40am) and ends at 3.15pm. School gates will be locked at 9am for safety reasons, any children arriving after this time must come through the main school reception and need to sign the late book.
- Breakfast club starts at 8am every morning and costs £2 per day.
- If your child (year 4 and above) is to be collected by another adult, or allowed to walk home alone, please make their class teacher aware.
- Children waiting to be collected from school at the end of the day (when parents are running late) will be waiting in the upper school hall for safeguarding reasons. Parents are to report to the main school reception to collect their child.

School Dinners

Please could you ensure that you pay for school dinners in advance online. We are unfortunately not able to give your child any dinner unless your account is credited. If you need assistance with the online site, please speak to the office.

School Dinners are £2.05 per meal.

If you are entitled to school meals and do not currently claim them, please be advised that our school benefits if you register for these meals regardless as to whether they are taken. Additionally, your child can have a meal from time to time if circumstances should make it difficult to provide a packed lunch.

Packed Lunches and snacks

Please be aware that as we have children with severe nut allergies in school and therefore food items with **peanut butter or nut products of any kind are not allowed**.

As a healthy school we encourage children to eat healthy snacks at break. The school tuck shop offers a range of healthy cereal bars at a cost of 30p each.

In the interest of being more environmentally friendly, children are asked to take their rubbish home with them in their lunch box, with the exception of biodegradable items, such as fruit peels, which can be thrown away at school.

Lunch Clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Music Club (Music Room) Taiko Drumming Y4 12.15-12.45 Y5 12.45-1.30 Sports Club Y3/4 12.30-1.00 Y5 1.00-1.30 Games Club (Art Room) Y3/4 12.30-1.00 Y5 1.00-1.30 Homework Club Y6 1.00-1.30	Music Club (Music Room) Choir 12.30 All Welcome Sports Club Y3/4 12.00-12.30 Y5 12.30-1.00 Games Club (Art Room) Y3/4 12.30-1.00 Y5 1.00-1.30 Y6 1.00-1.30 (The Bridge) Mathletics Club Y6 1.00-1.30	Sports Club Y3/4 12.00-12.30 Y5/6 12.30-1.00 Games Club (Art Room) Y3/4 12.30-1.00 Y5 1.00-1.30 Y6 1.00-1.30 Reading Club Y6 1.00-1.30	Sports Club Y3/4 12.30-1.00 Y5/6 1.00-1.30 Games Club (Art Room) Y3/4 12.30-1.00 Y5 1.00-1.30 Y6 1.00-1.30 (The Bridge) Newspaper Club Y6 1.00-1.30	Sports Club Y3/4 12.30-1.00 Y5/6 1.00-1.30 Games Club (Art Room) Y3/4 12.30-1.00 Y5 1.00-1.30 Y6 1.00-1.30 (The Bridge) Young Interpreters Club 12.45-1.30 All Welcome Glee Club Y6 1.00-1.30

Children in Need Non-uniform Day

We will be supporting the BBC Children in Need Appeal on **Friday November 17th**. The day will be a non-uniform day with the children invited to come to school dressed in anything beginning with **the letter 'P'** in exchange for a donation of **£1** for Children in Need. We will also be asking you to donate any old 'round pounds' that you might have at home – Children in Need are accepting them as donations – what better way to get them out of the way! More details to follow soon....



Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

On **Wednesday 13 December** we will be doing our annual Christmas Jumper Day fundraiser as a school. So get your favourite Christmas Jumper ready and don't forget to bring in **£1** on the day!

All money raised goes to Save the Children to help disadvantaged children all over the world.

Autumn Wordsearch

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C	H	R	Y	S	A	N	T	H	E	M	U	M
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Search for the words

They are hidden left to right and down.

acorns	leaves
apple	pear
chestnuts	squirrel
chrysanthemum	umbrella
hedgehog	



Diary Dates

November	
Monday 13th	Parents Evening
Friday 17th	Children in Need Non-uniform Day
Thursday 23rd	Upper School Disco (6-7pm)
Tuesday 28th	Year 4 Nasal Flu Immunisation
December	
Wednesday 13th	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 12th & Thursday 14th	Y5 Christmas Production
Friday 15 th	Y4 Topic Outcome
Friday 15th & Monday 18th	Y3 Sing-a-long (2.30-3.30)
Tuesday 19th	Y6 Topic Outcome
Friday 22nd	Last day of Term

Inset Days 2017/18

19 February

16 April

4 June

Did You Know?

Poppies were chosen as the recognised symbol for Remembrance Day because they were the flowers that grew on the battlefields after World War 1 ended. Additionally, the red colour symbolises the bloodshed during times of war, and the hope of new life.

