

Date: 28th February 2019



'Newsham News'

Quote of the Week: "Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself". **John Dewey**

Star Pupils
of the Week

W/B 25th February 2019

Starfish - Miles
Seahorses - Evan
Puffins - Katie
Penguins - Jack
Lifeboats - Jayden
Coastguards - Isabelle
Kittiwakes - Faith
Oystercatchers - McKenzie
Whales - Scarlett
Dolphins - Kaden
Galleons - Clara
Submarines - Sarah
Neptune - Elliott
Atlantis - Jake

Dinner Menu	See Live Kitchen
Day	What is happening
Monday 4th March	Whole School Assembly 3.15pm - 4.15pm Y5/6 Hockey
Tuesday 5th March	3.15pm - 4.15pm Y3/4 Tennis Club 3.15pm - 4.15pm Y5/6 Netball Club 3.15pm - 4.15 Y6 Reading Booster (Mrs Charlton)
Wednesday 6th March	3.15pm - 4.15pm Y6 SPAG Booster (Mrs Ross) 3.15pm - 4.15PM Y5 Reading Booster (Mrs Finnigan)
Thursday 7th March	8.05am - Rockstars Club 9am - Y2 Parent Assembly in the Hall PM - Y6 Football Competition 2.30pm - Y1 Parent Assembly in the Hall 3.15pm - 4.15pm KS2 Choir Club 3.15pm - 4.30pm Y6 Art Club 3.15pm - 4.30pm Maths Club Y5/6 (Mrs Rowley)
Friday 8th March	8.05am - Rockstars Club 1pm onwards - Dolphins swimming lesson 2.30pm - Star Tea

Welcome Back

I hope everyone enjoyed half term last week. What wonderful weather for this time of year! The children have settled easily back into school and we are all looking forward to six weeks of hard work between now and the end of term on April 5th. Please support us by ensuring that children are in school every day and that homework/reading are completed as required. Many thanks.

World Book Day (Thursday, 7th March) and Comic Relief (Friday, 15th March)

Could parents and carers please note the dates of these two national events and the fact that they are only one week and a day apart. We don't want to add any pressure to busy families but felt that we should recognise two such important events.

In terms of World Book Day, the children can dress up as their favourite book character (please remember this is not compulsory but if not in character, school uniform should be worn). We are also inviting children to bring their favourite book to school (the character and the book don't have to be linked).

In terms of Comic Relief, the children can wear anything that relates to Comic Relief or alternatively red clothes. If parents / carers want to send a donation for this charity into school on 15th March, we'd be delighted to send the total donation to Comic Relief after the event.

Gates

In an effort to help parents and carers arriving at school early, Mr Sanderson our Caretaker has been opening the gates at an increasingly early time.

I wanted to remind parents and carers that our timetable states that the gates will be opened at 3pm and whilst we can't open them all simultaneously on a site as large as ours, we will be making an effort to return to this time for opening. I thought everyone would appreciate the advance notice of the return to the published time. Many thanks

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Attendance

Our whole school attendance percentage for last week was **95%**, which means we didn't meet our school target of **96%**. There were no winners in **EYFS**, **KS1** attendance winners last week were **Lifeboats** with **99%** attendance, joint winners in **Lower KS2** were **Kittiwakes & Dolphins** with **98%** attendance and in **Upper KS2** **Neptune's** were the winners with **99%**.

Team Points

Our weekly team points are: **Red = 891, Green = 1031 and Yellow = 747.**

Winners for last week were Green Team (Alnwick), well done!

Word of the Week

Respectful and was awarded to Corey in Year 6. Corey receives a pack of gel pens for always being respectful in every situation in and around school. Well done Corey.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A-M Armstrong

Headteacher