

Date: 11th July 2019



# 'Newsham News'

**Quote of the Week:** "As you move towards a dream, the dream moves towards you." **Julia Cameron**

Star Pupils  
of the Week  
W/B 8th July 2019  
 Starfish - Poppy  
 Seahorses - Jorgie  
 Puffins - Yusra  
 Penguins - Tyra Ann  
 Lifeboats - Holly  
 Coastguards - Alex  
 Kittiwakes - Libby  
 Oystercatchers - Matthew  
 Whales - Charlie  
 Dolphins - Kai  
 Galleons - Maddison  
 Submarines - Katie  
 Neptune - Adam  
 Atlantis - Zak

Dinner Menu	See Live Kitchen
Day	What is happening
Monday 15th July	Whole School Assembly 11am - Star Tea
Tuesday 16th July	9.30am - 11.30am Attendance Reward Vue Cinema
Wednesday 17th July	9am - 3pm Summer Behaviour Reward whole School Picnic
Thursday 18th July	8.05am - Morning Maths Club
Friday 19th July	8.05am - Morning Maths Club <b><u>Last Day of Term School Closes 2pm</u></b>

**In order to ensure all parents receive important end of term information Newsham News will be sent out as a paper copy at the end of every term. If you have not already done so please contact the school office to provide them with your email address for you to receive the weekly addition.**

## Summer Camp—Children's University

Children's University have informed us that we are entitled to **10** funded places for their summer camp activities. The summer club covers 4 weeks during the summer holidays, Tuesday 30th July to Friday 23rd August. The days are filled with sport, cooking, arts, trips out to Plessey Woods, Clarty Commando's Bush Craft in Alnwick, South Beach to make sand statues to name but a few. The days start at 9.30am every morning, for breakfast and art activities. On Saturday 24th August there will be a showcase event to share what has been happening over the 4 weeks with families. Any families that are interested must give their name to a member of the office staff by Monday 15th July. If we receive more than 10 names we will put these all into a hat and pull out 10. The successful pupils will then receive more information about the programme. Interested families must be able to commit to the whole programme.

## Angels of the North

What a wonderful evening our choir, staff and families had at The Sage on Tuesday evening! The children performed on stage alongside over 400 pupils from other schools and were simply fantastic! Two of our children were also chosen to sing in the spotlights at the front of the stage and did so with confidence and obvious enjoyment. Finally, the children's behaviour and attitude to the whole event was outstanding and I was incredibly proud of everybody involved. Congratulations everyone!

## Y5 Educational Visit to Robinwood

I just wanted to thank Y5 pupils and their staff team for a fantastic three-day visit to Robinwood Activity Centre near Alston in Northumberland last week. The children had a wonderful time and the confidence they have developed through their participation in a range of new and exciting activities has been fantastic for the staff to observe. Their behaviour was outstanding and they were brilliant representatives of our school. Well done everyone!

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## Newsham Whole School Picnic Day / Adventure Day

Rather than a Whole School Picnic Day, this year we are planning an outdoor Activity and Adventure Day on Wednesday, 17th July. As the weather has been so hot and sunny recently, we are reluctant to have the children outside all day. We will therefore organise outdoor activities for KS2 in the morning and for EYFS and KS1 in the afternoon.

Children can come to school in non-uniform on 17th July but please make sure they choose sensible and comfortable outdoor clothing that protects them from the sun. All children must wear sensible shoes and trainers will be ideal for this kind of activity day. It may be possible to allow the children to have their lunch outdoors and so no hot meal will be available that day. A school picnic can be ordered via "School Grid" in the usual way but this must be ordered by 11<sup>th</sup> July.

Children are encouraged to bring bottles of water and of course all our ongoing sun safety expectations apply to this event. Non Uniform Days Please note that Wednesday, July 17th (see details above for requirements) and Friday, July 19th are non-uniform at Newsham. Please make a note that school closes at **2pm** on Friday, July 19th.

## Transfer Day

Yesterday our pupils had the opportunity to visit their new classes for September and everyone appeared to enjoy the day! The children have all developed in terms of confidence, maturity and work ethic this year and have demonstrated that they are ready for the exciting opportunities and challenges that lie ahead. Well done everyone!

## Attendance

Attendance winners for this year were Full Pebbles, Lifeboats, Kittiwakes and Atlantis. The children in these classes along with all of those that achieved 100% attendance for the year were rewarded with a trip to the cinema to see Toy Story 4. Well done everyone!

## Word of the Week

Respectful and was awarded to Kurtis in Year 6. Kurtis receives a pack of gel pens for being so respectful in class. Well done Kurtis!

## Team Points

Our weekly team points are: **Red = 997, Green = 991 and Yellow = 970**. Winners for last week were Red Team (Warkworth), well done!

## Annual Blanket Consent

We still have a large number of Annual Blanket Consent forms outstanding. Second copies of these have now been sent home, could we please ask that these are completed in full and returned no later than 17th July.

## Parking

This week we have received another complaint from a member of the local community. A report was made of parents and carers blocking access to local homes and properties. I fully appreciate the difficulties in parking near our school and it is an issue that I have raised repeatedly over recent years. That said, I remain highly concerned for both pupil safety and also our reputation in our local community. Please drive and park carefully and considerately. Thank-you

Yours sincerely

**Mrs A-M Armstrong**

Headteacher