



Newtown Linford Primary School

Half-termly newsletter: 12th July 2024

Dear parents,

Another year gone!

We are proud of another year where we believe Newtown Linford has shown it can be a place where children feel happy, safe and excel academically.

Bring on next year!

Mrs Proudman and Mrs Kennedy

School Values

Individuality

Excellence

Adventures

This terms focus is –

Adventures

Headteacher Updates

Romeo and Juliet

Wow, what a show we were treated this week!

We could not be more proud of the Old John children, their confidence was so apparent and we loved the backdrop too.

Well done Mr B and team!

A sad goodbye

The end of term has come around so quickly and I am really sad to be saying goodbye to all the wonderful colleagues and families I have got to know during my time at Newtown Linford. I have loved my time here; the children are all amazing and I will miss them greatly. It has been a privilege and an honour to have been able to work with you all and I have many fond memories to take with me that I will treasure always.

Mrs Proudman

Year 6 SATs Success!

Reading—94%

Reading Greater Depth—44%

National—74%

Maths—81%

Maths Greater Depth—25%

National—73%

Writing— 75%

Writing Greater Depth—25%

National—72%

PTA

As the school year draws to a close, we can't quite believe how quickly it has gone by. It seems like only yesterday when we were planning for the year ahead. And yet, what an eventful year it has been for the PTA with lots of fundraising activities and events notably non-uniform days, school discos and the village quiz.

One of the key highlights for this term has been the End of School Mini Family Festival, which was a huge success. The event was organised by the PTA as a way for the whole school community to celebrate the achievements of our Year 6 leavers and their families. It was a fantastic opportunity for everyone to come together, have fun, and enjoy an evening of live music, food, and games.

This term, we were able to finance new books for school, a theatre trip for Key Stage 2 children, the marquee and ice creams for sports day, hoodies for Year 6 leavers, and festival treats, thanks to our fundraising efforts and the generosity of our supporters. A Key Stage 1 trip will be organised very soon!

Next term, we will be participating in the Scarecrow Festival and managing the cake stall. We kindly ask any interested bakers out there to support us by donating cakes. Your contribution will be greatly appreciated!

Finally, we are always searching for PTA volunteers who can help us maximize the value that we can contribute to the school. If you are interested, please do not hesitate to contact us.



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Office Team Updates

Please make sure your accounts are topped up before the start of next term.

The office will be closed over the summer holidays until staff return for inset days on Tuesday and Wednesday 27th and 28th August. Don't forget that our website has a wealth of information about all aspects of school life including menus, uniform and booking information for wraparound care and music lessons.

If you have a safeguarding concern over the summer holidays:

Contact the First Response Children's Duty Team - 0116 305 0005 (24 hour phone line) - if you think a child is being:

- neglected
- physically abused
- sexually abused
- or if you have urgent concerns about a child who needs a social worker or police officer.

Return to school: Thursday 29th August. PE lessons, breakfast and after school clubs and music lessons will recommence w/c 2nd September.

We've had another fantastic year at Newtown Linford Primary School!





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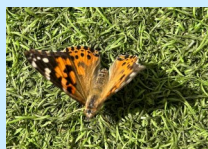
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Class Updates

Linford Class

This year has absolutely flown by and we are so proud of the progress the children have made.

During this final half-term, Linford class have had some wonderful opportunities... we have thoroughly enjoyed our Forest School sessions at Bradgate Park exploring nature; including building dens and bug hunting - even finding a frog and a lizard!



We learnt about life-cycles in Science and observed our class caterpillars grow bigger, turn into chrysalis' and emerge as beautiful butterflies before setting them free. In Geography we have been comparing and writing

about Antarctica and the Sahara Desert, and our English lessons have been inspired by the book Grandad's Island by Benji Davies, with the children describing the beautiful setting using descriptive language. In maths, EYFS have been using language related to position and direction, and Year 1 have been learning to tell the time to o'clock and half-past.



Sports Day was a roaring success and the children gave it their all during the afternoon of sunshine -well done! Thank you parents for all your support this year. We hope you have an amazing summer.



Mrs Hamm and Mrs Burfoot

Bradgate Class

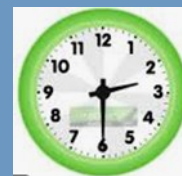
We have had a wonderful term in Bradgate, filled with many memorable moments, including the joy of seeing the sun shine brightly.

Our Sports Day was phenomenal! The children actively participated in all activities, demonstrating exceptional teamwork and enthusiasm.



This term has flown by, and we've focused on improving our students' spelling skills. Each student received a blue spelling log, and they've enjoyed practicing their spellings in various creative ways. We encourage them to continue practicing over the summer using these logs. We've also worked hard on understanding time, position, and movement. The children have started telling the time and applying key vocabulary in their daily activities. We hope they continue to develop these skills over the summer.

To ensure our students are on the right reading level, we've assessed their progress and provided books that challenge their fluency and comprehension. We encourage children to read with an adult at home and maintain a reading log. Next term, we will continue reading with the children each week and making notes in their logs. Those who read at least three times a week and have their logs signed will earn a stamp in their reading records and receive five Dojo points.



We wish all Bradgate students a fantastic summer holiday. We will miss our Year Twos as they move on to Key Stage Two and beyond, and we look forward to welcoming our new students and seeing our current Year Ones move up. Have a great summer!

Mrs Ismail and Mrs Hammond

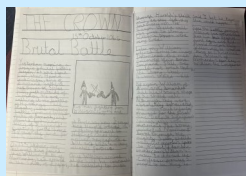


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Class Updates

Tyburn Class



This year has absolutely flown by, we are so proud of the amazing progress all the children have made. We have had a brilliant final term in Tyburn! The children have had some great opportunities... we have thoroughly enjoyed cooking, creating our own Norman tapestries and learning about the Battle of Hastings.

In English this term, we have been writing setting descriptions, poems and newspaper articles. The children did some fantastic newspaper articles based on the Battle of Hastings, I have been particularly impressed with children's use of apostrophes, fronted adverbials and reported speech!

In Maths, we have been working on 'Shape' and 'Statistics'. The children have done some brilliant work on angles, pictograms and bar charts! It has been great to see all of the children become more confident with their arithmetic and times tables.



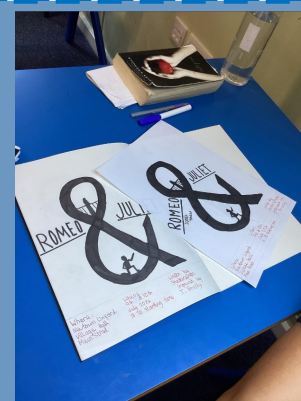
Finally, I would like to say a massive well done to Tyburn for their resilience this year, you have all put in so much effort. Thank you to parents and carers for your support this year. We hope you have an amazing summer!

Miss Langford

Old John Class

This year has rocketed by at a lightning-fast pace and I can't believe I'm about to say goodbye to the last of my first ever class with the Year 6's leaving. I'm so proud of all of their progress this year, but most of all I'm simply so happy to have known them and be seeing them on to the next stage of their education. The Year 6s will be sorely missed.

In our final term, we've written biographies about famous figures in the children's lives, and retold a scene from Romeo and Juliet. Of course, the Bard's play has taken up most of our time and the kids have not only wowed me with their rehearsals, but their hard work and dedication to learning their lines and improving their projection and expression as a part of their roles. We're super excited to share the play with all of you!



In our Theme, we've learnt about Earthquakes by studying the real-life event of the earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand. As per our end-of-year Topic quiz, the children learnt a lot, and scored very high points! I'm sure they can now tell you where most of the world's earthquakes occur, and what we use to measure the severity of an earthquake!

There have been so many wonderful opportunities with this class this year and memories that, as a teacher, I will cherish forever. Thank you, Old John, and well done for all your hard work.

Mr Brierley