



KINDNESS

It was National Kindness Day on the 13th November (Monday). As a school we looked at ways that people have been kind to us in the past. We talked about how no act of kindness is a waste and that kindness is contagious. We decided that we would show people how much we appreciate their kindness and each class has written thank you cards to some of the valued members of the school community who make this school a happy and safe place. Amongst these people are: Mrs Burrows, Mrs Heath, Mr Owens, Dawn and Ann (school cleaners), Jane, Bev, Michelle and Janette (kitchen staff), Sharon P, Emma I, Leona, Amy, Lynn, Sue S and Toni (Mid-day assistants) and the governors. We wanted to let them know that their kindness both big and small is noticed and we are grateful. I agree wholeheartedly with Henry James who said: 'Three things in human life are important. The first is to be kind. The second is to be kind. And the third is to be kind.'

BLUE RIBBON DAY

You may have noticed that Culcheth was wrapped up in blue bows today. As a school we have been recognised for our innovative anti-bullying work (gold winners of the Warrington Wise Up Award for two consecutive years), but this year we wanted to get our message that bullying is not tolerated in the wider community. We asked our children and parents to wear blue ribbons today (17th November) and we wrapped post boxes, lamp posts and fences in blue bows. Each class also visited 7 buildings in Culcheth:

Reception- Newchurch Primary School

Year 1- Culcheth Arms

Year 2- Newchurch parish church

Year 3- Sainsbury's

Year 4- Culcheth Newsagents

Year 5- Culcheth High School

Year 6- Glazebury Primary School

Together with the business owners we made a pledge that we will:

- Educate all stakeholders on what constitutes bullying
- Ensure we are developing a culture where whistle blowing and disclosing bullying incidents are seen as everyone's responsibility
- Deal with any incidents of bullying and every attempt is made to ensure this is stopped and does not reoccur

I believe this sends a clear message to the children and the wider community that we are working together to ensure they live, work and thrive in a happy and safe village. We are hoping that this project grows next year and it becomes a village wide pledge. I was so proud of the school children, parents, governors, businesses and places of interest today. Everyone was totally committed to the pledge.

Please see our school website for further information. Thank you for your support and for your donations. All proceeds will go to Children in Need to support the work they do with anti-bullying project.

Karen Howard: So proud to be part of a school that stands so strongly against bullying.

Jen, Culcheth Arms: We were really pleased to be asked to be part of the anti-bullying pledge, particularly as we are new to the village. Seeing the excitement on the children's faces when they saw the blue ribbon made us feel really warm inside. Thank you.

Faye Pryce Y1: We went to the Culcheth Arms because they are our partners in saying, 'NO!' to bullying.

ANTI-BULLYING LETTERS

Thank you so much for sending out the letters supporting our anti bullying message. We have been overwhelmed by how wide our message has travelled with your support. We are in the process of creating a world map which we hope to put on our website to show you the scale that the message has reached. Thank you once again.

CONGRATULATIONS MRS WORMLEIGHTON

It is with great pleasure I can announce that Mrs Wormleighton has been asked to be a leading practitioner for the Local Authority. This is to recognise her excellent practice with supporting colleagues in the field of Special Educational Needs and specifically with emotional, social and behaviour support and ASD. This will mean that she will receive and deliver the most up to date training in this area and support other colleges in Warrington to enable children to learn and excel in their school environments. To be recognised in this way is a great achievement and I could not be more proud of Mrs Wormleighton. We have a very talented team at Newchurch and it is wonderful to see their unique skills recognised. Our children massively benefit from all these talents but by going out and supporting other schools, we develop and come back to school with even better ideas and practice. Win, win!

WRITING WORKSHOP

On Monday and Tuesday, children from Y5 and Y6 attended a more able writing workshop at Thelwall Primary School.

Sara Gopikrishnan, Daniel Simmons, Kennedy Greenough, Alexander Percival, Olivia Neary and Cole Maketo-Baines represented Newchurch brilliantly! They were polite, well-mannered and their behaviour was impeccable. Showing off their knowledge and skills of writing, they produced some fabulous work. Well done to you all.

Olivia Neary: I liked learning how to vary my writing for impact.

Cole Maketo-Baines: I really enjoyed the genre – 1960's love story.

Sara Gopikrishnan: I really enjoyed going to Thelwall Primary School and meeting new people. I enjoyed writing about Jinnie Ghost.

MATHS COMPETITION

Congratulations to **Cameron Clucas, Nel Hill, Alexander Percival and Isabelle Buffey** of Year 6 who have made it through to the regional final of the Young Mathematicians competition. The event challenged the children's ability to work collaboratively with mathematic investigations rather than on individual ability. They were then graded on accuracy, teamwork and the skills of investigation, such as being methodical. The judges were very impressed with the team throughout the

morning; as a result, they have advanced to the regional final at the end of the month.

FOOTBALL MATCH

Last night the School football team ran out 5-1 winners against a very good Winwick Primary School side. A first half hat trick from Leo Howard gave Newchurch an early lead before late goals from Samuel Kocis and Joe Bowker ensured that Newchurch secured the win. Well done to all of the players for an excellent result. They showed excellent teamwork and sportsmanship throughout. Thank you to everyone who came to support the team and also to Scott Taylor (Deacon Taylor's dad) for both refereeing the game and his continued involvement in coaching the team.

READING LADDER w/e 17th November 2017

	REC 94%	+
	Y3 92%	-
	Y1 80%	-
	Y4 79%	-
	Y2 67%	+
	Y5 66%	-
	Y6 60%	-

We have a vacancy for a **midday assistant.**

Please check the website for more information and an application form.

XMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

This week, Mr Ridings came into school to talk to the children about the Rotary Shoebox Scheme.

Boxes are available to buy for £1 from the office.

These can be decorated, filled with the suggested items, and returned to school by **9am TUESDAY 5th December.**

SCHOOL DIARY DATES	
20.11.17	Book fair week
23.11.17	Parents' evening
24.11.17	Hamper donations
28.11.17	Stay and Play
29.11.17	Y2 Christmas Journey trip
30.11.17	Bags2school collection 9am
1.12.17	Christmas Fair and cake donations
5.12.17	Rotary shoeboxes collected
6.12.17	Parent Board 6:15pm
11.12.17	KS1 Christmas Play 9:30am
12.12.17	KS1 Christmas Play 9:30am
14.12.17	9.15 am Y3 Keyboard assembly
20.12.17	KS2 Christmas Play 1:30pm and 6:30pm
22.12.17	Christmas Assembly 2pm
12.1.18	Y4 Cake and Coffee morning
18.1.18	PTA meeting 7pm
26.1.18	Family Quiz
2.2.18	Y3 Cake and Coffee morning
6.2.18	Stay and Play
15.2.18	Valentine's Disco
2.3.18	Y2 Cake and Coffee morning
9.3.18	Thankyou Service (9:30am)
15.3.18	Dress down day for Easter eggs
29.3.18	Easter Bingo
29.3.18	School Closes for Easter Weekend
3.4.18	School Opens
6.4.18	Y1 Cake and Coffee morning
6.4.18	School closes
17.4.18	School opens
24.4.18	Stay and Play
7.5.18	School closed for May Bank Holiday
11.5.18	Reception Cake and Coffee morning
24.5.18	Summer Disco
25.5.18	School closes
11.6.18	School opens
15.6.18	Reading Picnic
22.6.18	Sleepover (KS2 only)
13.7.18	BBQ
2.7.18-6.7.18	Book Fair
To help with family financial planning, please be aware, pupils in Year 5 will be going to Kingswood in October and Y4 will be going to Beeston in July.	

Attendance w/e 10th November 2017
Our whole target is 97.5%



Y1 97.4%

Y2 97%

Rec 96.1%

Y5 95.8%

Y3 93.5%

Y4 90%

Please remember to telephone school if your child is unwell so that such absences can be recorded as authorised. If permission is not given for a holiday or we are not informed of the reason for an absence, it will have to be recorded as unauthorised. Thank you.

SCHOOL BLOG

Please look at our School Blogs on the front page of our website this weekend for the latest class news.

THIS WEEK IT IS THE TURN OF:

NEWCHURCH BLOG

Y4

MATHEMATICS

Y2

READING BLOG

EYFS

Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Lawrenson