



# FRIDAY NEWCHURCH

21<sup>st</sup> October 2016

## DOESN'T TIME FLY?

What a wonderful start to the school year we have had! The children (and staff) are all settled with their new classes, and in many cases, new classrooms. It has been great to see all the children happy and eager to learn.

### HISTORY VISIT - TAKING IT BACK TO THE STONE AGE!

Year 3 were delighted when Mr and Mrs Trevor visited our class this week. During the session, they got the opportunity to handle artefacts, look at tools and start to think like archaeologists. Mr Trevor then transformed into a man from the Stone Age, head to toe in animal skin clothing. This opportunity really got the children thinking and promoted even more enthusiasm towards our Topic. Miss Tonge was extremely proud of the children's knowledge and how they tackled all the tasks set. Year 3 would like to say a huge thank you to our visitors for enriching our learning.

**Nathan Anderson:** We learned about what archaeologists use to find different artefacts. I enjoyed it because Mrs Trevor was funny.

**George Ozanne:** We sorted the different artefacts onto a chart. I got to look at some fossils.

**Mrs Wormleighton:** I can't wait to start our history topic! The visit was so inspiring.

**Mrs Narraway:** It was wonderful to get expert advice as to how to develop our children's historical and geographical understanding.

**Mr Singleton:** The training provided some interested and exciting ways in which we can bring history to life. I look forward to implementing some of these strategies in our future learning.

**Miss Whittles:** It was interesting to hear about the different ways that artefacts can be used in the classroom. I will take a lot from the session.

**Mr Duckett:** The training with Mrs Trevor was really engaging and opened my eyes to the importance of artefacts in approaching historical studies.

## PLAYGROUND

We are sure you have been eagerly watching the playground develop in recent weeks. The exciting news is that it has nearly reached completion, with some added safety grips and a rota (to ensure that it is not overcrowded) to be put in place. The Red area will be available to KS1 and KS2, whilst the green area will be KS2 only as it is more challenging. We will be allowing the children on from **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November** once all the risk assessments have been completed and the children have been briefed on using it safely. We are all really looking forward to having a go!

Thanks again to the dedicated PTA, our super school council, the National Lottery and the staff at The Playground Company for all of their hard work and support.

## SPELLING WORKSHOP

Many thanks to all the parents in KS2 who attended the spelling workshop this week. It was wonderful to see so many parents eager to support their children at home. The feedback was unanimously positive with all parents saying that they would definitely recommend the workshop to others. If you were unable to make the workshop then do not fear! Mrs Narraway will upload all the workshops from this half term onto the school website. When downloaded, each PowerPoint has notes pages which share the information she presented, but without the passion!

## Y1 VISIT NEWCHURCH

On Tuesday, Year 1 braved the autumn wind and rain to walk to Newchurch Church. Year 1 were welcomed by Reverend Chris Jones who showed the children around the church and spoke to them about baptism. The children enjoyed sharing their family links with the church, some having been baptized there themselves. I was very proud of Year 1 and their reflective responses to the visit. Well done Year 1!

**Mason Holland:** I liked dipping my hand in the water.

**Phoebe Smith:** I got to hold the candle. The light guides the way.

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Please contact school

### MIDDAY VACANCY

Please see school website for details and application forms.

**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	Year 5
MATHEMATICS	Year 3
READING BLOG	Year 1

**PTA BAGS2SCHOOL  
9AM 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2016**

Bags will be sent out after the holidays. Please do not send in curtains or duvets. All monies go towards the PTA fundraising. Thank you.

### SCHOOL DIARY DATES

31.10.16	Anti-bullying Week
4.11.16	Bottles donations KS1 Grammar Workshop (6pm)
7-11.11.16	World Food Week – International dishes for school meals
7.11.16	PTA meeting 7pm
7.11.16	Y1, 2, 3 Flu vaccination
7.11.16	KS2 Grammar Workshop
11.11.16	Tombola donations
15.11.16	KS2 Arithmetic and Reasoning Workshop (6pm)
16.11.16	Parent Board Meeting (6:15pm)
18.11.16	Sweet jars donations
21.11.16	Progress Week
21-25.11.16	Book Fair
24.11.16	Parents' Evening Year 3 Cake Sale BAGS2SCHOOL collection 9am
25.11.16	Hamper donations
2.12.16	Christmas Fair and Cakes donations
6 & 7.12.16	KS1 Christmas Production (9:30am)
9.12.16	Christmas Tree Service for KS2 at Church
14.12.16	KS2 Christmas Production (1:30pm and 7pm)
16.12.16	End of Year Assembly 2.15pm
26.1.17	Year 4 Cake Sale
27.1.17	Family Quiz Night
10.2.17	Young Voices
13.2.17	Healthy Lifestyles Week
16.2.17	Valentine's Disco
17.3.17	Dress down day for Easter egg donations
23.3.17	Year 5 Cake Sale
24.3.17	Thank you service (9:15am)
31.3.17	Easter Bingo
27.4.17	Year 6 Cake Sale
8.5.17	SATs Week (KS2)
19.5.17	Summer Disco
22.6.17	Year 1 Cake Sale
14.7.17	Year 6 Prom
20.7.17	Reception Cake Sale

**To help with family financial planning, please be aware, pupils in Year 6 will be going to Kingswood in Oct.**

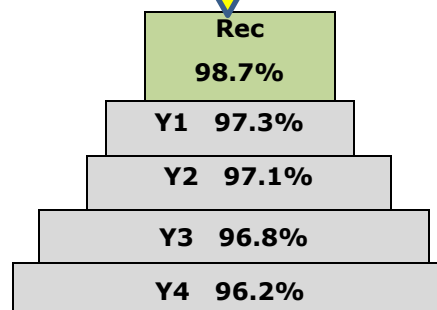
### READING LADDER w/e 21<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2016

	<b>Y4 89%</b>	<b>+</b>
	<b>Y2 86%</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Y5 73%</b>	<b>+</b>
	<b>Y3 68%</b>	<b>+</b>
	<b>Y6 57%</b>	<b>=</b>
	<b>Y1 50%</b>	<b>-</b>

### Attendance

w/c 14<sup>th</sup> October 2016

**Our whole target is 97.5%**



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.

**POPPIES WILL BE ON SALE  
AFTER HALF TERM AT BREAK  
TIMES IN SCHOOL.**

### WELL DONE CORNER

Wilson Bate Y2 has been scouted for Manchester City football club.  
Congratulations.

Have a lovely break  
from all the staff