

WISE UP AWARD WINNER

See Warrington Guardian's report on this award and how we have been praised for our good practice as a school 'who link the themes across the whole curriculum, taking every opportunity to reinforce positive messages around anti-racism or tackling gender stereotyping.'

(<u>http://www.warrington-</u> worldwide.co.uk/2017/01/31/schoolsrewarded-for-tackling-bullying-and-hatecrime/)

ORIENTEERING

To develop Outdoor Education at Newchurch, we have put in place our very own orienteering course within the school grounds. This week, children from Reception Class all the way up to Year Six have been exploring the course in a variety of cross-curricular ways. Using map reading skills to locate different signs, children discovered QR codes which they had to scan with iPads in order to unveil the hidden question or task. This provided an exciting, alternative method of learning for the children who thoroughly enjoyed the challenges that they encountered. William Johnson Y3: I enjoyed the orienteering and I told Miss Tonge I wanted to do it again on another theme. Jack Forster Y3: It was great. We had to go on a hunt for facts about ancient civilisations and then use books and an atlas to find out if they were true of false.

SAVE THE DATE

E-safety parent workshop 3.30pm Weds 1st March. All welcome to this important meeting.

YEAR 2 UPDATE

Year 2 are having a great time writing instructions for how to trap a dragon. They have shown such tremendous collaborative skills and imagination in designing their traps. Mrs Narraway, Mrs Worthington and Mrs Price are thrilled with the writing the children have done as a result. Year 2 are also looking forward to visiting The Lowry to further develop their understanding of the work of L.S Lowry. At the gallery, they will take part in a workshop involving using a painting by the artist to create a 3D model. How exciting that will be!

CONGRATULATIONS!

We are pleased to announce that Mrs. Narraway has been appointed as a Senior Leader in Education with a specialism in Phonics. This does not mean that she is leaving us! As part of this role, she will use her leadership skills and expertise in Phonics to support schools in difficulties in this area of the curriculum. This is a prestigious role which recognised at a national level.

POLICE MONITORING

As you will be aware the PSCOs and police have been monitoring the parking and dropping off of pupils outside school recently.

They have asked us to thank parents who have taken on board their advice and who are parking appropriately.

However they have highlighted concerns that some parents are repeatedly stopping on the actual junction to allow their children to alight. Whilst this only takes a couple of minutes, and is not illegal, it is potentially a dangerous place to stop and is an obstruction to other road users who have to wait. The police have asked us to remind parents to drive considerately and safely when dropping off and collecting their children.

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If you have any concerns about Child Protection or Health and Safety, Please contact school

WELL DONE CORNER

Congratulations to Alexander Percival and Cameron Clucas (Year 5) for working hard at the piano and passing their Grade 1 exam at Christmas.

SCHOOL DIARY DATES		
10.2.17	Young Voices	
13.2.17	Healthy Lifestyles Week	
16.2.17	Valentine's Disco	
16.2.17	Y6 Trip Chester Zoo	
1.3.17	E-safety parent workshop 3.30pm	
3.3.17	Y2 Trip Lowry	
17.3.17	Dress down day for Easter egg donations	
23.3.17	Year 5 Cake Sale	
23.3.17	PTA meeting	
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	
11- 12.7.17	Y4 Beeston	
13.7.17	Y6 LEAVERS	
14.7.17	Year 6 Prom	
20.7.17	Reception Cake Sale	
To belo wi	th family financial planning	

To help with family financial planning, please be aware, pupils in Year 6 will be going to Kingswood in October and Y4 will be going to Beeston in July 2017.

Lower Moss Wildlife Club is an environmental club for children from age 6 plus. The club meets once a month on a Saturday from 10-12 noon at Lower Moss Wood Educational Nature Reserve and Wildlife Hospital School Lane, Ollerton, Knutsford. WA16 8SJ. <u>www.facebook.com/lowermosswoodwildlife</u> Saturday 11th February – Go Batty about Bats Come and meet Cheshire's own Batman,Ged Ryan ,and find out more about our furry flying friends. We might even get to meet one!

Saturday 18th March – Willow Weaving Wildlife inspired willow weaving, parents are welcome to join in. We need to know numbers for this activity so that we have enough willow for everybody.

Please book your place by Saturday 4th March. Email <u>Imwwildlifeclub@gmail.com</u> with your name and the number of people who want to take part (adults and children) 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	EYFS
MATHEMATICS	Y5
READING BLOG	Y3



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.

READING LADDER w/e 3rd February 2017

Y2 96%	+
Y4 93%	=
Rec 80%	=
Y3 80%	+
Y5 65%	-
Y1 55%	+
Y6 50%	-

Have a lovely weekend Mrs Lawrenson