



# FRIDAY NEWCHURCH

17<sup>th</sup> February 2017

## WISE UP GOLD AWARD

On Wednesday, we received the Wise Up Gold Award for the second year in a row. This is a prestigious award which recognises the significant work we do at Newchurch to raise awareness of Hate Crime and anti-bullying. Many thanks to Samuel, Nella and Jakub Kőcis who attended the ceremony to receive the award on behalf of the school.

**Mrs Narraway:** I was very proud to see the work we do in school recognised. Pip Horne, the assessor of the project, shared with the audience the plethora of activities and initiatives we deliver in school. It was a great opportunity to learn from other schools also and so I have many new ideas for next year's curriculum.

## HEALTHY LIFESTYLES WEEK

What a fantastic, exciting time we have had here at Newchurch to celebrate Healthy Lifestyles Week. The aim of the week was to highlight to our children the importance of staying healthy as well as providing them with some opportunities that they may not have experienced before. The week started off with the KS2 children learning the lines to a play about the effects of sugar on our body, then performing it to the KS1 children in the afternoon. Mindfulness has been a key aspect of the week where children have had the opportunity to practice Tai Chi and Yoga.

To give the children a good workout, they have taken part in Zumba and MetaFit. Much of our learning has revolved around the Healthy Lifestyles theme with classes exploring different foods from around the world, converting measurements for baking recipes, investigations into the amount of hidden sugars in drinks and so much more.

We hope that this week have given the children a better understanding of the importance of healthy lifestyles and that they use this experience to make informed decisions about their own lifestyle choices.

**Lily Hesketh Reception:** I loved making our own assault course in outdoor learning.

**Lucas Dowling Y1:** I liked the yoga because we were being animals.

**Freddie Wilcock Y2:** I really enjoyed the Tai Chi.

**Miss Tonge:** Tai Chi helped me to be calm and focused.

**Freddie Moors Y3:** I liked tasting different foods and vegetables because I now like carrots.

**Mr Singleton:** I have really enjoyed Healthy Lifestyles Week. The children and staff alike have been enthused by the range of activities on offer and learnt a great deal too.

**Alex Fitzsimmons Y4:** I really enjoyed Healthy Baking Club. I can't wait to try the delicious biscuits.

**Miss Whittles:** It was great to see the class pushing themselves during MetaFit. Lots of red faces!

**Cole Maketo-Baines Y5:** I found planking challenging but enjoyable.

**Mr Duckett:** I have enjoyed working with Y6 on challenging mental health issues – they showed great maturity.

**Jazmin Critchley Y6:** I really liked the yoga because I felt I could think about things that that I sometimes struggle to think about.

## RECEPTION

The children have had a brilliant half term where they have been finding out lots of interesting facts about China and Chinese New Year. They have created their own dragon dances, made lanterns and Chinese dancing lions. In outdoor learning, the children have been building the Great Wall of China using blocks and crates. We have been very impressed with the progress that the children have been during this half term and We are I am looking forward to March.

**Oscar Howard:** We made cards for Chinese New Year to send home to our mums and dads.

**Amelia Benson:** I liked eating noodles.

## YOUNG VOICES

Once again the school choir enjoyed an amazing evening at the Manchester Arena. This year's concert saw performances from the Beatbox Collective, Tabby Callaghan and Sharlene Hector. We all sang our hearts out as part of the eight thousand strong choir which brought a close to this year's concert season.

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Please contact school

SCHOOL DIARY DATES	
27.2.17	Girl guiding Day
28.2.17	Daisy and Faye's charity cake sale
1.3.17	E-safety parent workshop 3.30pm
3.3.17	Y2 Trip Lowry
3.3.17	Art Exhibition
6-24.3.17	Pan EXHIBITION Parr Hall Warrington
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 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.**

**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	Y6
MATHEMATICS	Y4
READING BLOG	Y2

Mrs Corns is collecting items on behalf of **Refugee Aid NW (care UK)**. If you have any of the following items you would like to donate please put them in the **collection box in the outside classroom**.

*Good condition clothing, footwear and blankets*

*New adult/children underwear*

*Baby food*

*Aptamil ready to drink baby milk*

*New feeding bottles*

*Nappies*

*Feminine hygiene*

*Toiletries*

*First aid kits*

*Toys*

Further to the school funding letter we sent out this week, please see the link below to an online petition

**'To reconsider the National Funding Formula so that no child will lose out.'**

If it receives 10,000 signatures we will get a response from the government but if it gets 100,000 signatures it will be debated in parliament. I encourage all parents, staff and governors to complete this petition, as well as sending a letter.

<https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/182705>

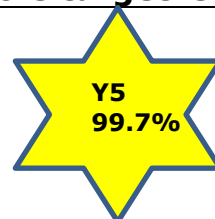
# ART EXHIBITION

## 3<sup>rd</sup> March

All children are creating an individual piece of art that will be framed and displayed in an after school art exhibition.

Parents are invited to view the exhibition and purchase the art work with proceeds going to the school.

**Attendance**  
**w/e 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017**  
**Our whole target is 97.5%**



**Y6 99.3%**

**Y3 and Y4 98.7%**

**Y2 97.9%**

**Y1 97.7%**

**REC 94.3%**

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 17<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

	<b>Y2 88%</b>	<b>=</b>
	<b>Rec 83%</b>	<b>=</b>
	<b>Y3 79%</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Y4 75%</b>	<b>=</b>
	<b>Y5 63%</b>	<b>=</b>
	<b>Y1 63%</b>	<b>+</b>
	<b>Y6 50%</b>	<b>-</b>

Have a relaxing break  
Mrs Lawrenson