



# FRIDAY NEWCHURCH

7<sup>th</sup> September 2018

## WELCOME BACK

What a lovely week it has been! It is delightful to see the whole Newchurch family back together. There has been a lovely atmosphere around school (as always) but even on the first day back the playground before school was a hive of joyful chatter and excitement.

Everyone looks really smart and I have seen nothing but 100% effort and beautiful manners. Well done Newchurch!

I am in the process of advertising our new reception open days and I asked the children if they felt the school was a happy place to learn; it was unanimous that it was. I am pleased to tell you; we are an outstandingly happy school! Can I take this opportunity to wish you a very happy term and may each family thrive.

## BABY ROBINS

I am thrilled to announce the arrival of two beautiful babies. First of all, Sophia Poppy Singleton was born on 13<sup>th</sup> August and Freddie Robert Ayres arrived on the 22<sup>nd</sup> August. Both families are bursting with love and couldn't be happier.

## READING AT NEWCHURCH

*'A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies...The man who never reads lives only one.'* George R.R Martin

At Newchurch, reading is at the core of all our learning. This year, we continue to strive to help our children find pleasure in a great book of any genre. We have high expectations of our children when it comes to reading, expecting them to:

- read at least 20 minutes every day;
- ensure to keep their reading records up-to-date with signatures from parents (at least two per week);
- be fully engaged in the reading curriculum we provide; and
- strive to achieve the Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards on our Reading Rewards by reading and changing their books regularly.

This year, we are focusing on developing the children's vocabulary. You will see a slight change in the children's reading records, with 'additional reading' being replaced by 'My WOW word'. This does not mean that additional reading is not encouraged but can be noted in the section where the days of the week are instead.

We are encouraging the children to select one word each week (from their reading of any text) and write it in their reading record. They **must** know the meaning of the word. Each Friday, the words will be collected and shared with the class and it will be decided who is to be the 'Vocabulary Detective of the Week'.

## SEND REVIEW

Over the last year we have been working closely with Warrington Inclusion Hub. This has been recognised by the school gaining the Committed to Inclusion Award for the second year running. As part of our continuing commitment to provide every child a flying start, we requested a review of our provision for children with Special Educational Needs and Disability last half term. During the review, the team observed lessons, looked at children's books and met with parents, children, staff and Jean Williams (Chair of Governors and Governor responsible for SEND). The report was extremely positive

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and we are very proud to be able to share some of the findings with you.

*'It is the view of the review team that Newchurch provides excellent care and support for the pupils with special educational needs at the school.'*

*'There is an overwhelming welcoming nurturing, family ethos in the school; **all** children are valued and their strengths recognised and celebrated. **All** staff have a clear understanding of the needs of each child with special educational needs within their setting and are able to articulate ambitions for each child. Leaders and governors have ensured that SEND arrangements are of high quality and fit for purpose. Adults' expectations are consistently high and reflect challenge for all groups including disadvantaged pupils and those children with SEND. The capacity of the school to improve and 'get it right' for the children in their care is enormous. '*



### READING LADDER w/e 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018

	<b>Y6 87%</b>	
	<b>Y2 73%</b>	
	<b>Y4 69%</b>	
	<b>Y3 60%</b>	
	<b>Y5 52%</b>	

## NEW SCHOOL MEALS MENU

The new menu will begin next week. Please see the menu on the school website and displayed in the outdoor classroom.

Dinners are £2.30 daily, £11.50 a week. Snack for Y3-6 is £2.50 a week and must be paid on Monday morning.

### SCHOOL DIARY DATES

w/c 24.9.18	Enterprise Week
27.9.18	Newchurch Bake Off
27.9.18	Cancer Research UK sponsor event
<p><b>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.</b></p>	

Have a lovely weekend  
Mrs Lawrenson