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Dear parent/carers,

Great Newchurch Bake Off

Thank you so much to everyone who took part in our Great Newchurch Bake Off in aid of Macmillian. It was wonderful to welcome parents and grandparents back into school to share in this experience. At the end of the day, it is looking like we raised in the region of £300. Thank you. If you still wish to make a donation to this worthy cause, you can do so via ParentPay.

As you know, we do have a cake competition and the level of imagination and creativity demonstrated was once again amazing! It is so hard to choose a winner as all the children are winners in our eyes; however, the winners of the coveted Bake Off wooden spoons are:

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6

The Wisp

As part of our transition back into school, the whole school have completed a three-week project inspired by the picture book 'The Wisp: a story of hope.' This is a beautiful book with magical illustrations and rich vocabulary which has captured the children's imagination. In the monthly newsletter next week, you will be able to see all the wonderful work that has been taking place as each class share their learning.

Share in our learning

On Monday 27th September, we will be posting our 'Share in our Learning' documents which will provide you with information regarding what your child will be learning in all areas of the curriculum until the end of half term when we will send the next half term's and so on. It is hoped that this enables you to support your child with their learning beyond the classroom and give you some insight into the children's experiences in school.



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Spanish Theme Day

Just a reminder that on Monday 27th September, the lunch will have a Spanish theme, as we have changed from learning French to Spanish as our modern foreign language. The date of this coincides with European Languages Day and so we invite the children to come in their own clothes in the colours of the Spanish flag or anything Spanish themed – coloured hair spray and face paint is accepted! The children will be involved in Spanish lessons throughout the day and learn about Spain and the Spanish culture.

KS1 children will have this option as part of their universal free school meals but any KS2 children can book their lunch in the normal way via Parent Pay. The menu is as such:



Clubs

We are thrilled to see that our online booking of clubs was effective and efficient. We are pleased to announce that all clubs meet the required number to make them viable and we will be contacting you next week with details as to the club(s) your child has been placed in. Clubs will start week commencing 11th October 2021 and will run for 8 weeks. If your child has not got into the club they requested, they will be placed on the waiting list and given priority next time.

Harvest Donations

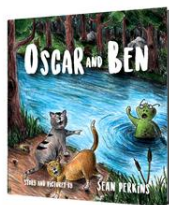
In pre-COVID days, we always used to look forward to the first whole school assembly of the year – The Harvest Assembly. Unfortunately, we are not in a position to welcome back whole school assemblies at the moment but we would very much like to ensure we continue with the Harvest tradition of bringing in donations to support Warrington Food Bank. On Friday 1st October, we would like to ask for any donations of tinned and packet foods such as pasta, rice, beans, peas etc. All donations will be greatly appreciated.



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Author Visit



OSCAR AND BEN

Join Oscar and Ben in their woodland den, as they venture into the forest to meet a sleepy hen, an angry frog and a tiny mouse living in an underground house...

www.seanperkinsauthor.com

On 11th October, we have arranged for all the children to have an author visit from Sean Perkins www.seanperkinsauthor.com. He will be visiting Newchurch to share his latest release, entitled 'Oscar and Ben'. We are excited to offer the children the opportunity to purchase a signed copy of his new release. Details of how to do this will follow.

Recycling Challenge

This week is national Recycling Week and as such we are encouraging the children to take part in the Recycling Challenge which can be found by visiting <https://schoolofkindness.org/recyclingweekchallenge-2021>. The closing date for the challenge is 1st October. They can win prizes for themselves and a buddy bench for school. If you wish to take part, please follow the link and send your entry off. You do not need to send it into school. Good luck!

This links in with the assembly this morning which introduces the Eco Council to the children. To show our commitment to saving the beautiful planet we live in, and ensuring our children are equipped with the knowledge and understand to make a difference by making changes to their daily life (at home and school), we will be striving for the Green Flag Award.

As you can probably see, there is a lot going on at Newchurch and it is great to have some of our freedom back to enrich the curriculum with visits and visitors as well as events involving our parents. Long may it continue!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Take care and keep safe.

Mrs Jayne Narraway

Headteacher



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