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Dear Parent/Carer,

The half term has arrived and we are so very proud of all our Newchurch Robins. They have worked their little socks off this half term. As the children walked into assembly this morning in their legendary lines, and celebrated each class as they performed their poems, our hearts were filled with pride.

As we begin to hear about restrictions being lifted further, we are able to look forward to the return of some of our favourite events in school where parents are able to join together and be part of the school day. Today's letter gives you a flavour of what's to come.



Easter Bingo

We are pleased to announce that the PTA will be hosting a Family Easter Bingo Night to raise funds for school. It will be on Friday 1st April at t Village Club from 6:30pm. This is a really popular event which used to be in the school hall but was so well attended we have needed to seek a bigger venue. On Wednesday 23rd March, the children will have a dress down day in return for bringing in a donation of an Easter egg for the Easter Bingo prizes.

Tickets will be £5 per adult and £2.50 for children. The price includes a bingo ticket for each game, a bingo game for children and food – pie and peas for the adults and pizza/sausage and chips for the



children. You can also purchase additional tickets. If you would like to attend the Easter Bingo, please complete the following form <u>https://forms.gle/bCSNtQdKA54hCHsD9</u> to indicate the number of adults and children attending so sufficient food can be prepared and tickets provided.

Thankyou Assembly

We are also delighted to inform you that we will be able to hold our Thankyou Assembly on Friday 25th March. This is an opportunity for the children to say thank you to you for everything you do. The assembly will be full of poems and songs and will definitely put a smile on your face.

As you can appreciate, we will still need to put some restrictions in place though as we cannot at this stage have a packed hall like we used to do. Therefore, KS2 parents are invited to attend the assembly at 9:20am and KS1 parents at 2:15pm. All classes will perform at each performance so if you have children in both key stages, you can see them both. In order to keep everything COVID safe, only one parent per child will be able to attend the assembly. If you have a child in both key stages, then that will be one parent for the KS1 and one parent for the KS2 assembly. If you have twins, then you can have two parents at the same performance. We hope that makes sense!

It goes without saying that if you are symptomatic, please refrain from attending the assembly.

Girls' Under 11 Rugby

You may or may not be aware that Culcheth Eagles have an U11's Girls' Ruby Team. We are delighted to inform you that one of the qualified rugby coaches (also a Newchurch parent and with a DBS) is able to provide a free afterschool rugby club for girls in Year 4, 5 and 6. This will give the girls an opportunity to possibly get involved in a new sport and perhaps join the Culcheth Eagles outside of school.

The afterschool club will run on Thursday's and finish at 4pm. If your daughter would like to participate, please complete the following form no later than 28th February: <u>https://forms.gle/EcJEQZe5QWwx9xjc7</u>

Calling all our performing arts robins

We have been approached by the Pauline Quirke Academy who are starting a new performing arts academy with classes for children in comedy and drama, musical theatre (singing and dancing), film and television. The academy will be based at Bridgewater High School (Lower Site) every Saturday. They are extremely excited to open and would love to invite children to attend a free taster session at PQA Warrington on Saturday 26th March from 9.45am-1pm. Further details are in the flyer below.





Drop off and collection changes

When we return to school on Monday 28th February, the arrangements for drop off and collection will be different. For those parents who can remember pre-COVID arrangements, we will be returning to the original school times:

Classes	Start of day	End of day
Reception	The reception door will open at	3pm – please wait in the gated
	8:45am to allow them to go	outdoor learning environment and
	straight into class.	Mrs Sizer will open her door and
		let the children out when she sees
		the adult collecting the each child.
Year 1 and 2	8:55am	3:10pm – collected from the KS1
		playground
Years 3, 4, and 5	8:55am	3:15pm – collected from the KS2
		playground
Year 6	As they are doing booster sessions,	3:15pm – collected from the KS2
	they can enter at the KS2 gate as	playground
	normal in the morning.	

All children in Years 1 - 6 will enter the school grounds via the reception gate and follow the path round onto the school playground. The image below shows you where to go as some parents have never been beyond the school gates due to the restrictions that have been put in place.





The gates will be opened at 8:45am for all to access. When the bell goes, the children will need to line up and they will be collected by their class teacher. They will be shown where to line up today.

At the end of the day, Y1's door will be opened and the children will be released when the collecting adult can be seen. Y2's door will be opened and the children will wait in the outdoor classroom until the collecting adult can be seen on the KS1 playground. All KS2 classes will be walked round to the playground by their class teacher and then passed onto their collecting adult. The same route as the morning will be used for exiting the school grounds.

For Health and Safety reasons, please could we ask that you do not allow the children to go on the outdoor play equipment before or after school. Should the children go on the equipment outside of the school hours (8:55am and 3:15pm), the school does not accept any liability if they are hurt.

Reading Books

Today, all the children's reading books have been collected as we will be doing an audit of all the books we have in preparation for purchasing some new ones for the children. The holidays is a perfect opportunity for share books with children and for them to visit the library.

Clubs

Many thanks to everyone for completing the clubs form again. You will receive a text shortly with details of the club your child has been booked into.

Finally, we would like to extend our sincerest gratitude for the swift response to the decision to allow the children to be collected earlier today. Have a lovely weekend and we will see you on Monday 28th February.

Take care and please keep safe,

Mrs Jayne Narraway



Headteacher

