



# FRIDAY NEWCHURCH

4<sup>th</sup> October 2019

## CREATIVE IPAD SESSIONS

Years Four and Five have experienced an amazing week working with Nick Amyes. Thanks to the expertise of our governor, Graham Corkin, Newchurch was fortunate enough to have hands on sessions in how to work creatively with iPads to enrich the curriculum.

Using free apps, such as Pages, Numbers and iMovie, the children created e-books to investigate their curriculum and to gain a deeper understanding of their learning. In Year Five, the space cadets, under the guidance of Commander Amyes and Admiral Corkin, used green screen technology as they journeyed across the solar system. They visited each planet, regaling the viewer with information about the other bodies orbiting the sun. Year Four built on their work in science, demonstrating their knowledge of states of matter. Their e-book included sound bites which allowed the reader to hear key facts and information.

As you can imagine, the sessions were truly engaging and we will certainly be using more of this technology in the future.

**Chloe Y5:** It was really fun working with Commander Aymes and Mr Colins. I enjoyed making books with my friends and learning new skills on the iPad.

## TASTY TUCK

We are certainly on a winning streak as we are delighted to announce that we have been awarded the Silver Tasty Tuck Award for another year! The award scheme is about encouraging the positive health of children and young people by promoting healthier snacks and drinks in schools and community groups. Well done Mr Singleton on yet again leading us to great success.

Please remember that we encourage the children to bring in a healthy snack each day to enjoy during their breaktime.

## FOREST SCHOOLS

Forest Schools is an inspirational process, that offers ALL learners regular opportunities to achieve and develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning experiences in a woodland or natural environment with trees.

Forest Schools is a specialised learning approach that sits within and complements the wider context of outdoor and woodland education. We are thrilled to announce that after some extremely rigorous weeks of training over the last twelve months, Mrs Sizer is fully accredited to lead our school as it embarks on its new venture to become a Forest School. I am sure that you will join us in congratulating her and sharing how unbelievable proud of her we are. She truly will make a difference to the provision at Newchurch.

**Mrs Sizer:** I am excited to develop our Forest School site so that I can share my passion and expertise with the children and staff.

## NATIONAL POETRY DAY



Yesterday Newchurch celebrated National Poetry Day which is about everyone sharing poetry, reading poetry and enjoying poetry. This year, the children

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prepared poems ready for entering the Culcheth Christmas Market competition.

### Teachers' Favourite Poems:

**Mrs Narraway:** It's tricky to decide really. I have always loved 'On the Ning Nang Nong' by Spike Milligan because it is bonkers! On the other hand I love the narrative poem 'The Highway Man' by Alfred Noyes. It's a poem about true love with great use of personification and metaphor.

**Mr Duckett:** 'Sir Gawain and the Green Knight – retelling' by Simon Armitage. It tells the story of challenge, honesty, loyalty and overcoming adversity.

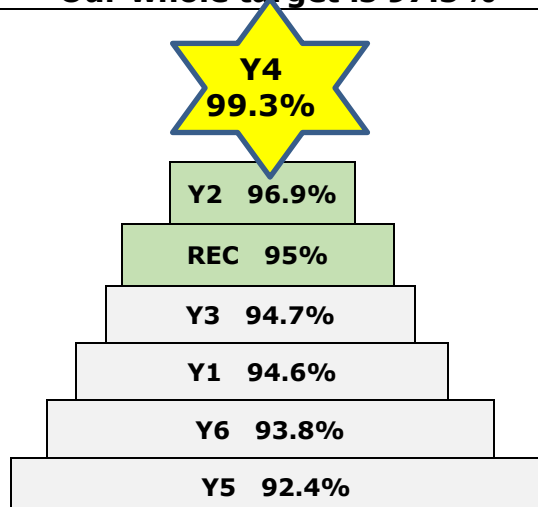
**Mrs Mowbray:** 'Chocolate Cake' by Micheal Rosen is my favourite as it perfectly describes the chocolate temptation.

**Mr Singleton:** 'I wish I was our Sammy' by Willie Russell. It reminds me of my childhood and the relationship with my brother.

**Mrs Urmston:** My favourite poem is 'The Jabberwocky' by Lewis Carroll because the poet uses nonsense words, which make sense phonetically and grammatically:

*'Twas brillig, and the slithy toves  
Did gyre and gimble in the wabe.'*

**Attendance w/e 27<sup>th</sup> September 2019**  
**Our whole target is 97.5%**



Please remember to telephone school if your child is unwell so that such absences can be recorded as unauthorised. 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.

### SCHOOL DIARY DATES

9-11.10.19	Y6 Kingswood
15.10.19	TT Rockstar Day (World Maths Day)
24.10.19	Monster Ball
25.10.19	PTA – bottle stall donations
5.11.19	Open Afternoon
6.11.19	Shoe Box Assembly
8.11.19	PTA – sweetie jars
11.11.19	Anti-bullying Week
14.11.19	Opening Evening
15.11.19	PTA – Tombola prize donations
22.11.19	PTA – Hampers donations
28.11.19	Parents' evening ( <b>change of date</b> )
29.11.19	PTA – Selection Box donations
5.12.19	KS1 Christmas Play 9:30am
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6.12.19	Christmas Fayre 6pm
11.12.19	Flu immunisation PM
12.12.19	KS2 Christmas Tree Service at church 11am
18.12.19	KS2 Christmas Play (1:30pm and 6:30pm)
19.12.19	Christmas Dinner, Christmas Jumper and Christmas Party Day
20.12.19	Christmas Assembly (2pm)
12.2.20	KS1 and KS2 SATs meeting (6:30pm)
5.3.20	World Book Day – Reading Picnic
20.3.20	Thank you Service
27.3.20	Easter Bingo
23.4.20	Parents' evening
W/C 11.5.20	KS2 SATS
W/C 18.5.20	KS1 SATS
10.6.20	New Starter Meeting (7pm)
19.6.20	Sleepover
3.7.20	BBQ
6.7.20	Sports' Day
17.7.20	Leavers' Assembly

**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.**

### READING LADDER w/e 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019

	<b>REC 100%</b>	<b>=</b>
	<b>Y3 83%</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Y4 79%</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Y6 79%</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Y1 62.5%</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Y2 79%</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Y5 62%</b>	<b>-</b>

Have a lovely weekend.  
Mrs Jayne Narraway