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23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

### Reception and Year 1 Phonics Workshop



Mrs Sizer and Miss Igglesden will be delivering a phonics workshop on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 3:30pm. This will be an opportunity for parents to see how Little Wandle, our phonics scheme, is used to develop your child's phonological knowledge enabling them to read and write. It will also cover the Phonics Screening Check which all Year 1 children must take in June. If you would like to attend, please complete this google form so that we can ensure sufficient space and resources are available: <https://forms.gle/A5hGWggarqv3FJJr8>

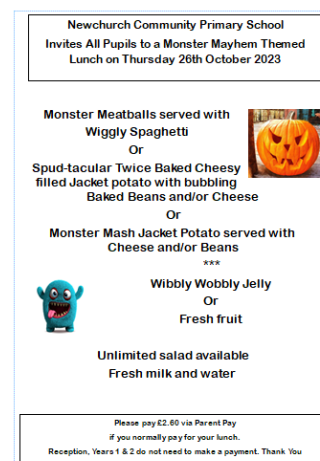
### Monster Mayhem Day and Ball

Just a reminder that it is Monster Mayhem Day on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October. The school kitchen has organised a themed lunch for the day so if your child would like a school dinner, please pay via ParentPay.

The times of the Monster Balls are:

- KS1: 3:15pm – 4:30pm
- KS2: 5:00pm – 6:15pm

This is a ticket only event so please book via ParentPay. Once booked, your child's name will be added to the list and ticked off on entry to the Monster Ball.



### Parent Helpers

If you are interested in supporting our robins with their acquisition of reading and number skills or helping out with trips, please complete the form below. We recognise that your time is precious and will aim to accommodate any offer of support. We also attempt to place any support in the preferred key stage, though we do not place adult helpers in their own child's class.



Maths will involve playing games with the children (provided by school) which develop their number bonds and times tables awareness. There may be some rote learning as the children develop. Whilst reading will involve listening to the children read to develop their fluency and pace with some level of comprehension, where appropriate. Please do not feel any anxiety about working with older children as training and support will be given to all volunteers where it is needed.

All sessions will run between 8:45am-10am and 2pm-3:15pm, in line with drop off and pick up from school. If you are able to help in any way, please complete this googleform by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October: <https://forms.gle/Ym1kFcWSoc1FS3bV9>

### Holiday Fun

Please check out the page on our school website: [Newchurch Primary School - Holiday Fun and Out of School Activities](#) which shares some activities available to the children over the half term holidays.

### Ukuele Afterschool Club

As you are aware, we take pride in the music curriculum we offer at Newchurch and boast both the Music Ambassador Award and Music Award. Many children take up peripatetic music lessons (additional to the curriculum offer) when they start KS2 but there is nothing available for our younger children. We would therefore like to offer a ukulele afterschool club to children in Year 2 with Mr Hughes on a Wednesday from 3:15pm to 4:00pm. If your child would like to take part, please complete this google form by 1pm Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October: <https://forms.gle/dDKL1ESzMb4TJts99>

Finally, please see the diary of dates below. Any additions have been made in red for your ease of reference.

Kindest regards,

Jayne Narraway

Headteacher

## Diary of Dates 2023-2024

### Autumn 2023

| When is it happening?                               | What is happening?                                      | Who is involved?            |
|---|---|-----------------------------|
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2023                | Year 5 Parental Conferences                             | Year 5 parents              |
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2023                | Reception Loved one to lunch                            | Reception parents           |
| Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2023               | Academy Photographs – individual, siblings and families | All classes                 |
| Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2023<br>@ 1:30pm | Open afternoon  | New starters September 2024 |



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| Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2023                    | Year 6 Parental Conferences                                  | Year 6 parents   |
| Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2023                    | Monster Mayhem Day, Monster Lunch and Monster Ball           | All classes  |
| <b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2023</b>                | <b>School closes</b>   |  |
| <b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023</b>                | <b>School Opens</b>  |  |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 @ 3:30pm             | Reception and Year 1 Phonics Workshop                        | Reception and Year 1 parents                                     |
| Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 @ 11:30am           | Year 2 Loved One to Lunch                                    | Year 2 parents   |
| w/c Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2023                 | Anti-bullying Week   | All classes  |
| Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 @ 1:30pm         | Open Afternoon   | New starters September 2024                                      |
| Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2023                  | Dress Down Day for donations for Christmas Fair              | KS1 donations of sweetie jars<br>KS2 donations of tombola prizes |
| Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2023                     | Clubs finish   | All classes  |
| Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2023                    | Christmas Journey trip                                       | Year 2 children  |
| Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2023                      | Christmas Fair   | All families   |
| Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2023                   | KS1 Christmas Play dress rehearsal                           | KS1 classes  |
| Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December @ 9:15am                | KS1 Christmas Play   | KS1 classes and parents  |
| Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 @ 9:15am             | KS1 Christmas Play   | KS1 classes and parents  |
| Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2023                    | KS2 Christmas Play dress rehearsal                           | KS2 classes  |
| Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2023 @ 9:15am and 6pm | KS2 Christmas Play   | KS2 classes and parents  |
| Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2023                  | Christmas Dinner, Christmas Jumper and Christmas Parties Day | All classes  |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2023 @ 2pm             | Christmas Assembly   |  |
| <b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023</b>             | <b>School Closes</b>   |  |

## Spring Term 2024

| When is it happening?                 | What is happening?        | Who is involved? |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | School Opens              |                  |
| Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 | Book sharing after school | All classes      |
| Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2024   | Interim Reports Out       | All classes      |



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| Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024              | Reception Parental Conferences  | Reception parents           |
| Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> January 2024          | Year 1 Parental Conferences     | Year 1 parents              |
| Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> January 2024           | Year 2 Parental Conferences     | Year 2 parents              |
| Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 @ 11:30am | Year 3 Loved One to Lunch       | Year 3 parents              |
| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2024             | Year 4 Parental Conferences     | Year 4 parents              |
| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2024             | Clubs start                     | All classes                 |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> January 2024          | Year 3 Parental Conferences     | Year 3 parents              |
| Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2024           | Year 6 Parental Conferences     | Year 6 parents              |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2024             | Year 5 Parental Conferences     | Year 5 parents              |
| <b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024</b>       | <b>School Closes</b>            |                             |
| <b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024</b>      | <b>School Opens</b>             |                             |
| Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> February 2024          | Year 4 Loved One to Lunch       | Y4 parents                  |
| w/c Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2024            | Book Week – details to follow   | All classes                 |
| Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2024              | World Book Day, including lunch | All classes                 |
| Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 @ 9:15am       | Thank You Service               | All classes                 |
| Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2024             | Book Fair                       | All classes                 |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2024 @ 2:30pm    | Kingswood Meeting               | Year 4 children and parents |
| Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2024               | Clubs finish                    | All classes                 |
| Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2024               | TT Rockstars Day                | All classes                 |
| Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2024            | Easter Extravaganza             | All classes                 |
| <b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024</b>       | <b>School Closes</b>            |                             |

## Summer Term 2024

| When is it happening?  | What is happening?             | Who is involved?  |
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| <b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b>                                   | <b>School Opens</b>            |                   |
| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024   | Book sharing after school      | All classes       |
| Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2024  | Interim Reports                | All classes       |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 – Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 | Kingswood                      | Year 4            |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2024                                      | Year 6 Parental Conferences    | Year 6 parents    |
| Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2024                                       | Year 1 Parental Conferences    | Year 1 parents    |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2024   | Year 2 Parental Conferences    | Year 2 parents    |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2024   | Clubs start                    | All classes       |
| Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2024                                      | Year 3 Parental Conferences    | Year 3 parents    |
| Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2024                                       | Year 4 Parental Conferences    | Year 4 parents    |
| Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2024   | Year 5 Parental Conferences    | Year 5 parents    |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2024   | Reception Parental Conferences | Reception parents |



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| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2024 @ 11:30am     | Year 5 Loved One to Lunch                | Year 5 parents                    |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2024                | Year 6 SATS - SPAG                       | Year 6                            |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2024               | Year 6 SATS - Reading                    | Year 6                            |
| Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2024             | Year 6 SATS – Maths Papers 1 and 2       | Year 6                            |
| Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2024              | Year 6 SATS – Maths Paper 3              | Year 6                            |
| <b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024</b>          | <b>School Closes</b>                     |                                   |
| <b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2024</b>        | <b>School Opens</b>                      |                                   |
| w/c Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2024           | Phonics Screening Check                  | Year 1 and some Year 2 children   |
| w/c Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2024           | Multiplication Check                     | Year 4                            |
| Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2024 @ 11:30am   | Year 6 Loved One to Lunch                | Year 6 parents                    |
| Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2024               | Clubs finish                             | All classes                       |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 @ 9:15am   | KS1 Sports Day                           | Key Stage One classes and parents |
| Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 @ 6:00pm   | Year Six Performance and Awards Ceremony | Year 6 children and families      |
| Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 @ 9:15am    | KS2 Sports Day                           | Key Stage Two classes and parents |
| Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024               | Reports Out                              | All classes                       |
| Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 @ 2pm onwards | RobinFest                                | All classes                       |
| Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2024 @ 2pm       | Leavers' Assembly                        | All classes and parents           |
| <b>Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2024</b>       | <b>School Closes</b>                     |                                   |



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