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Autumn Term Edition 595

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**Be kind, be fair, be safe whilst learning together to be the best we can.**

Dear Parents / Carers

As we approach the end of a long Autumn Term, it is always lovely to reflect on the successes over the term. I couldn't be more proud of the children and everything they have achieved over the last term. Over the last week it has been lovely to watch the children shine in the Christmas concerts and these performance really did showcase the excellent work that goes on in school all of the time.



This term we have introduced our new phonics scheme, Little Wandle which has been very successful and it has been very reassuring to receive some positive comments from parents about how well they feel their children are doing. The implementation has been hard work and I would like to thank all of the staff for their professionalism and hard work in getting it running effectively.

Another success this term has been the introduction of Zones of Regulation which is supporting children to better recognise their feelings and emotions. Again this has been successful and it is very positive to hear and see the children begin to use some of the strategies they have learned.

We are very lucky to have a fantastic PTA who have worked extremely hard to run successful events this term which have not only raised much needed funds for our school, but most importantly has brought our school community together to have some fun. Thank you PTA!

I would like to thank our wonderful staff team who work incredibly hard everyday to make the children's time at school the best it can be.

**Please remember that when the children return to school on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January we will be moving to our new timings. The doors will open at 8.40am with registration at 8.45am. The end of the school day for everyone will be 3.15pm**



As the term draws to a close, sadly, we are saying good bye to two members of staff, Miss Bilic and Mrs Percival.

Miss Bilic has been a teacher here since 2017. We wish her every success as she moves to pastures new and thank her for all of her hard work in the time she has worked at Nathaniel Newton.

Mrs Percival has been a cleaner for many, many years and has taken the decision to take life a little easier moving forward. We thank her for all of her hard work and wish her well for the future - hopefully living a slower pace of life!

We will be welcoming Mrs Keane to our school in January to take over from Miss Bilic in Year 2. We hope she settles in quickly and I know she is looking forward to meeting the parents of her new class in January.

On behalf of everyone at Nathaniel Newton, I would like to wish all our families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope everyone manages to enjoy some quality time with family and friends over the festive season.

Mrs Forshaw  
Headteacher



# Attendance

Our whole school attendance target for year 2023-2024 is 96%  
Whole School Attendance from 5th Sept — 22nd Dec is 93.8%

Check our figures to see how we are doing!

Please report a child's absence from school by sending us a message on School Gateway app or telephone the school on 02476 392236 and press 1 to leave a message before 9.15 am.

School Year group doors open between 8.40 am and 8.45 am and children can go into school between these times for registration at 8.45 am. Please make sure your child is on time for school. If they arrive after 8.45 am they will need to come via the main school office entrance. Children arriving after this time will receive a late mark. Please help us to achieve our target!

## Week Ending 8th Dec

Dragonflies 93.2%

Squirrels 94.0%

Foxes 98.3%

Bumblebees 93.7%

Owls 95.0%

Badgers 90.7%

Hedgehogs 93.7%

Rabbits 91.7%

Deers 98.6%

## Week Ending 15th Dec

Dragonflies 95.4%

Squirrels 95.3%

Foxes 86.3%

Bumblebees 97.0%

Owls 95.3%

Badgers 95.3%

Hedgehogs 88.1%

Rabbits 91.7%

Deers 91.4%

## Week Ending 22nd Dec

Dragonflies 97.9%

Squirrels 90.7%

Foxes 90.3%

Bumblebees 77.0%

Owls 85.0%

Badgers 83.7%

Hedgehogs 91.1%

Rabbits 89.7%

Deers 90.0%

Monty has/will be spending the week with the winning classrooms!



## Least Late Winners

| Week Ending | Best Class |
|-------------|------------|
| 8th Dec     | Badgers    |
| 15th Dec    | Bumblebees |
| 22nd Dec    | Squirrels  |



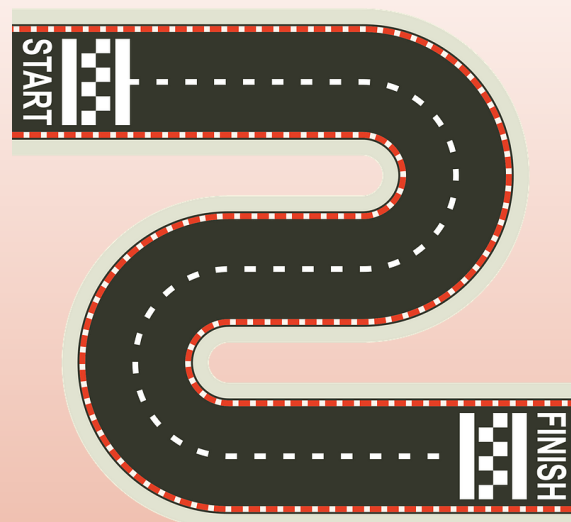
Snow Flake has will be spending the week with the winning classrooms!



## HALF TERM ATTENDANCE WINNER!

### BEST CLASS ATTENDANCE

| Place | Class       | Percentage |
|-------|-------------|------------|
| 1st   | Deers       | 95.1%      |
| 1st   | Badgers     | 95.1%      |
| 2nd   | Dragonflies | 94.4%      |
| 3rd   | Squirrels   | 94.1%      |
| 4th   | Owls        | 92.5%      |
| 5th   | Bumblebees  | 92.3%      |
| 6th   | Foxes       | 92.2%      |
| 7th   | Hedgehogs   | 91.1%      |
| 8th   | Rabbits     | 90.8%      |



### TOP ATTENDANCE WINNER - Deers and Badgers 95.1%

Well done to **Miss McGrath and Miss Bilic's class** for having the best attendance this half term, they have **WON** a Movie afternoon as a reward!! **Enjoy!!**  
**And WELL DONE!!**



## HALF TERM LEAST LATES WINNER!

### BEST CLASS WITH LEAST LATES - Dragonflies

Well done to **Mrs Doherty/Mrs Dicken's class** for having the best class for having the least lates this half term, they have **WON** a Movie afternoon as a reward!! **Enjoy!!** **And WELL DONE!!**

## SCHOOL MATTERS





## Our Pupils of the Week!

A pupil from each class is chosen by a teacher each week as 'pupil of the week' for eg doing good work.

|          | Reception                    | Year 1                      | Year 2                              |
|----------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 8th Dec  | Ava B, Bonnie C,<br>Neive H  | Milo H, Jaxon B,<br>Tia H   | Nate B, Olivia-<br>Jayne S, Penny R |
| 20th Dec | Roux W, Alice M,<br>Jenson R | Duke R, Miles R,<br>Ekam S, | Ralph J, Emmie G,<br>Olivia C       |

## Our Stars of the Week!

*Congratulations to all the children who have been awarded with stars! Well Done*

### 8th December

100 Tia H, Annie S, Minnie W, Toby G, Duke R, Bella P, Noah C, Maxwell F,  
Oscar B, Connor M, Oscar G, Nadiya S,

200 Iyla-Esmee, Jackson H, Jovan M, Ronnie M, Phoebe A, Layla W



## Headteacher Tea Party

Mrs Forshew had the pleasure of a tea party with our nominated children - talking about their weekend activities, what they have enjoyed doing within school whilst enjoying some sweet treats and a glass of squash. Well done to all the selected children. We hope you all had a lovely time.

24/11 Year 1 - Bailey S, Eden, Year 2 - Miley-Mae, Keivagh H, Amelia C, Oscar B

8/12 Year 1 Nadiya, Evie, Connor Year 2 Lottie, Nancy

15/12 Year 1 Lily, Jaxon B, Eden, Year 2 Kimberley, Charlotte, Amelia D



# Reading Raffle Winners

This half term we have been amazed with the children's enthusiasm for reading at home. Each time a child reads at home they are awarded with a raffle ticket that goes into our class prize box. This half term our class reading raffle winners are:

Bumblebees: Daniel M

Dragonflies: Lilly Ann M

Hedgehogs: Bonnie C

Owls: Max A

Rabbits: Joey B

Squirrels: Alfie E

Foxes: Nancy W

Deers: Nate B

Badgers: Christopher H

## Class Leader board



## Important information



### Admissions into school for Reception in September 2024

Please apply for a Reception place at school for your child in September 2024 if your child was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020.

Closing date for applications is 5pm on 15th January 2024.

Please apply at -

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/homepage/421/applying-for-a-primary-school-place>

More information is available on the Warwickshire Admissions website including details of how to apply for a place. You will need to attach a copy of your proof of address eg current Council Tax Bill.



For parents of children starting school in September 2024.  
We will be holding another Open Day on  
Friday 12th January 2024.

Please visit us between 1.15 pm and 2.15 pm.  
To book please telephone us on  
02476 392236.

### Year 2 transfer to Junior School in September 2024

Please apply for a place for your Year 2 for a Junior School place as soon as possible.

Closing date for applications is 5pm on 15th January 2024.

Please apply at -

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/homepage/421/applying-for-a-primary-school-place>

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# Friends of Nathaniel Newton (PTA) News



Raffle prize from the Christmas Fayre not collected.  
901—905 blue ticket please collect prize from the school office.  
All other raffle prizes have been claimed.

It has been a busy and exciting half term for the 'Friends of Nathaniel Newton'! Our Halloween Batty Bingo and our Christmas Fair were a huge success. Thanks to members, staff and the children's hard work, all of your donations and support at the events, we raised an amazing £2000!

We are pleased to have been able to make a donation towards the renovation of the outside play area in the EYFS area, which all children across the school will have the opportunity to enjoy at some point moving forward in the terms ahead. Have a look at the pictures - freshly installed this week!

We have more events planned for the rest of the academic year, so we will keep you posted and look forward to welcoming you into school to join us.

Thank you for all your support, which means our pupils can have some extra treats and provisions that school budgets unfortunately cannot fund. You are all amazing!

Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year, from all the members of the 'Friends of Nathaniel Newton'!



The designated Safeguarding leaders in this school are Mrs Forshaw, Mrs Taroni and Miss Carey. If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact them via the school office.





## Upcoming Events



**More information will be sent out nearer the time of events.**

- Friday 22nd December - We break up for Christmas holiday.  
Monday 8th January - Designated staff training day - school closed to children.  
Tuesday 9th January - Children return to school.  
Thursday 11th January - Year R Vision Screening.  
**Wednesday 31st January- Badger - Miss Bilic's Class Assembly 9 am. (to be cancelled and rearranged. date to be confirmed)**  
Wednesday 7th February - Owl - Mrs Fussey's Class Assembly 9 am.  
Friday 9th February - We break up for half term.  
Monday 19th February - Children return to school.  
Friday 8th March - Mothers Day Afternoon 1.30 pm.  
Monday 11th March - Owls (Mrs Fussey) Parent Consultations 1 - 4 pm.  
Tuesday 12th March - Foxes (Mrs Evans) Parent Consultations 1 - 4 pm.  
Wednesday 13th March - Squirrels - Mrs Varney/Mrs Hancox Class Assembly 9 am.  
Wednesday 13th March - Parents Evening 3.30 to 6.30 pm.  
Thursday 14th March - Hedgehogs (Mrs Ireland) Parent Consultations 1 - 4 pm.  
Friday 15th March - Bumblebees (Miss Hall) Parent Consultations 1 - 4 pm.  
Friday 15th March - Badgers (Miss Bilic) Parent Consultations 1 - 4 pm.  
Monday 18th March - Deers (Miss McGrath) Parent Consultations 1 - 4 pm.  
Tuesday 19th March - Squirrels (Mrs Varney/Mrs Hancox) Parent Consultations 1 - 4 pm.  
Wednesday 20th March - Dragonflies (Mrs Doherty/Mrs Dicken) Parent Consultations 1 - 4 pm.  
Thursday 21st March - Rabbits (Mrs Lowen) Parent Consultations 1 - 4 pm.  
Friday 22nd March - Easter Bonnet Parade 2.30 pm.  
Friday 22nd March - We break up for Easter holiday.  
Monday 8th April - Children return to school.  
Monday 6th May - May Day Bank Holiday - school closed.  
Wednesday 15th May - Dragonflies - Mrs Doherty/Mrs Dicken class assembly 9 am.  
Wednesday 22nd May - Rabbits - Mrs Lowen class assembly 9 am.  
Thursday 23rd May - We break up for half term.  
Friday 24th May - Staff training day - school closed to children.  
Monday 3rd June - Children return to school.  
Monday 10th June - Sports afternoon Year R - 1 pm.  
Tuesday 11th June - Sports afternoon Year 1 - 1 pm.  
Thursday 13th June - Sports afternoon Year 2 - 1 pm.  
Friday 14th June - Fathers day afternoon.  
Monday 17th June - New Entrants Meeting 6 pm.  
Tuesday 25th June - Hedgehog's - Mrs Ireland class assembly 9 am.  
Tuesday 2nd July - Year 2 Leavers concert 1.30 pm.  
Wednesday 3rd July - Year 2 Leavers concert 9.15 am.  
Thursday 4th July - Bumblebees - Miss Hall Class assembly.  
Friday 5th July - Reports go home to parents.  
Sunday 7th July - PTA Summer Fayre 11 am - 2 pm.  
Wednesday 10th July - Induction Day.  
Wednesday 10th July - Open Evening 3.30 pm - 5.00 pm.  
Thursday 18th July - Year 2 Leavers Assembly 9 am.  
Thursday 18th July - Year 2 Leavers Party pm.  
Tuesday 19th July - We break up for Summer holiday.

**The school calendar is also on the school website.**

**We will also include upcoming dates at the bottom of the newsletters and include any**



## School Lunch Menu

School lunch full menu is available on our website.



**Jacket Potato everyday choice of cheese and beans or tuna.**

Week 1 W/c Monday 20/11, 11/12, 15/01, 05/02, 26/02, 18/03.

|      | Red                              | Green                      | Brown           | Blue               |
|------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Mon  | Chicken Biryani with Vegetables. | Cheese and Tomato Pizza.   | Jacket Potato * | Cheese soft bap    |
| Tue  | Mince Beef Burrito.              | Breaded Vegetable Fingers. | Jacket Potato * | Tuna Mayo soft bap |
| Wed  | Roast Gammon.                    | Quorn Roast.               | Jacket Potato * | Chicken soft bap   |
| Thur | Chicken Burger in a bun.         | Tomato Pasta Bake.         | Jacket Potato * | Ham soft bap       |
| Fri  | Breaded Fish Fillet.             | Vegetable Crumble.         | Jacket Potato * | Egg Mayo soft bap  |

Week 2 W/c Monday 06/11, 27/11, 18/12, 22/01, 04/03.

|      | Red                               | Green                        | Brown           | Blue               |
|------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Mon  | Pork Sausages                     | Cheese and Baked Bean Pasty. | Jacket Potato * | Cheese soft bap    |
| Tue  | Chicken Sweetcorn Pasta Bake.     | Plantball Melt.              | Jacket Potato * | Chicken soft bap   |
| Wed  | Roast Beef.                       | Quorn Roast                  | Jacket Potato * | Tuna Mayo soft bap |
| Thur | Chicken and-Country Vegetable Pie | Quorn Dippers                | Jacket Potato * | Ham soft bap       |
| Fri  | Salmon and Sweet Potato Fishcake. | Cheese and Tomato Pizza.     | Jacket Potato * | Cheese soft bap.   |

Week 3 W/c Monday 13/11, 04/12, 08/01, 29/01, 19/02, 11/03.

|       |                              |                             |                 |                        |
|-------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Mon   | Veggie Sausages.             | Mac 'n' Cheese.             | Jacket Potato * | Cheese soft bap        |
| Tue   | Beef Bolognaise.             | Veggie Plant burger in bun. | Jacket Potato * | Tuna Mayo soft bap     |
| Wed   | Roast Chicken Fillet         | Quorn Roast.                | Jacket Potato * | Roast Chicken soft bap |
| Thurs | Gluten Free Pork Meatballs.  | No Beef Taco.               | Jacket Potato * | Ham Soft bap.          |
| Fri   | Breaded Fish Fillet Fingers. | Cheese and Potato Pie.      | Jacket Potato * | Cheese soft Bap        |

## School Closure Procedures



In the event of school having to close due to bad weather or for any other reason, first thing in the morning or during the school day.

- We will send you a School Gateway message / Email.\*
- We will update our website home page to reflect this information.
- We will update our school Facebook page to reflect this information.

[www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures](http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures).

If you log on to this website, it also gives a list of school closures.

If you do not get a School Gateway message / email, or see school is closed on our website, Facebook page or on the list of Warwickshire School Closures, our school and Links will be **OPEN**.)

**PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE SCHOOL.**

**\* The message /email will go to Priority 1 contact on your child's contact sheet. Please make sure we have your correct details.**



This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, volunteers and parents to share this commitment



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