

Autumn Term 2 Edition 3

December 2025

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

Dear Parents / Carers

It certainly has been a busy term here at Nathaniel Newton especially in the last few weeks with all of our Christmas festivities.

I'm sure you will agree that all three year groups put on amazing Christmas concerts that were a joy to watch. The children and staff worked so hard to put the concerts together and they should all be very proud of themselves.

As a school we are always keen to involve the wider school community and events such as the Christmas Fair and Wreath making do just that. We are lucky that we have a small band of hard working and committed people that run our PTA and raise much needed funds for those extras in school. For example, on Friday all children will watch a Pantomime in school and after Christmas you will see that the top end of our playground will be redeveloped for a new play area for the children - all thanks to the money raised at fundraising events.

Thank you to our families who give so generously when we ask for donations of items such as bottles and chocolate and also for supporting us by attending the events.

On behalf of everyone at Nathaniel Newton Infant School, I would like to wish all of our families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope that everyone has a wonderful time making precious memories with loved ones.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 5th January 2026.

Mrs Forshew
Headteacher



Thank You!





PUPILS OF THE WEEK!



A pupil from each class is chosen by a teacher each week as 'pupil of the week' for doing fabulous work this half term so far!

| Year R | | Year 1 | | Year 2 | |
|----------|-----------|------------|---------|----------|--------|
| Arthur M | Abigail Y | Peri-Leigh | Myra | Blanka | Ivy |
| Finley M | Gaanavi | Fred | Nancie | Alana P | Alice |
| Logan D | Tobias B | Amelia M | Kylan T | Sophie W | Bonnie |



STARS OF THE WEEK!



Congratulations to all the children who have been awarded with stars this half term so far!

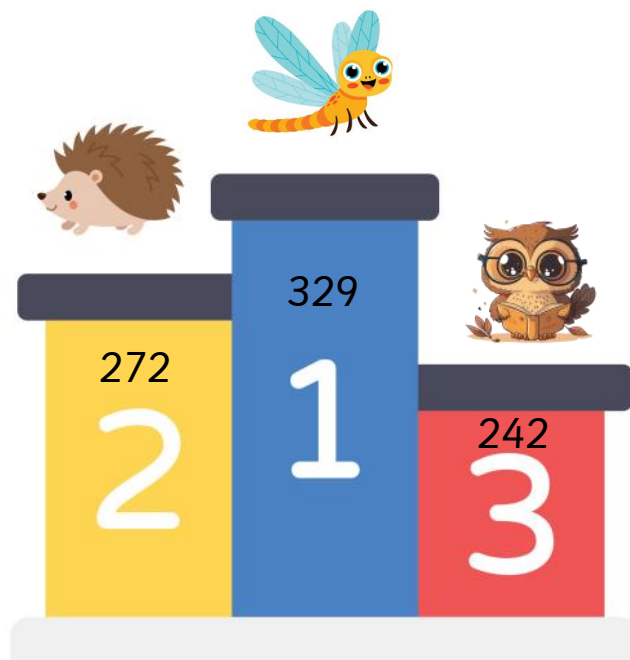
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| Amelka | Aneira |
| | Hilah |
| | Emily |
| | Rocco |
| | Albie |
| | Amelia H |

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:

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| Bumblebees: | Jenson | Hedgehogs: | Maeve | Dragonflies: | Oliver M |
| Owls: | Imogen | Rabbits: | Alfie F | Squirrels: | Aqsa |
| Foxes: | Wilton | Deers: | Ralph | Badgers: | Erika |

Class Leader board



This half term the children at Nathaniel Newton have read an amazing **1873** times!



The children in Dragonflies class were the lucky winners of the class prize for the most reads!



The lucky winners enjoyed choosing a prize from our book vending machine.

Friends of Nathaniel Newton (PTA) News



It has been a very busy term to the 'Friends of' team with lots of successful events.

Our annual Christmas fair was brilliant fun and it was so lovely to see all the children get involved in the preparations and enjoy the event with their parents and carers. Thanks to you all for attending, all the staff who stayed helped to make the event a success, and of course Hannah the elf! We raised an amazing £1550 at the event which has enabled us to fully fund the children's school pantomime again this year. The children are excited to welcome Chaplin's theatre company once again, and watch Dick Whittington on the last day of term. Thanks for your support and generosity in making this possible for your children.

After the success of last years Christmas wreath making event, we held our second workshop this year. Once again, we had some brilliant creations and the evening was enjoyed by all who attended.

Along with our Treat Friday events and the Alikazam magical Christmas party it was been a wonderful term of making lovely memories.

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.

We are pleased to announce that the re-development of the front of the school main playground area, is now ordered and in progress! The children will be enjoying the benefit of this fantastic new area later in the spring term.

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'!



Thank you

A big thank you to triple 'a' Foodhall in Chapel End for their extremely generous donation of advent calendars, ensuring that every child in our school can enjoy a special treat this festive season.



School Closure Procedures



In the event that school needs to close due to bad weather or any other reason, whether first thing in the morning or during the school day, please follow the procedures below:

1. **App Message / Email** We will send a message via our school App or an email to notify you of the closure.*
2. **Website Update** Our school website home page will be updated with closure information.
3. **Facebook Update** Our school Facebook page will also reflect any closure information.
4. **Warwickshire School Closures Website** You can check www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolclosures for a full list of school closures in the area.

Important:

- If you do **not** receive an App message or email, and school closure is **not** indicated on our website, Facebook page, or the Warwickshire School Closures list, then **our school and Links will be open.**
- **Please do NOT telephone the school** regarding closures.

The App message/email will be sent to the **Priority 1 contact listed on your child's contact sheet. Please ensure your contact details are up to date.*

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



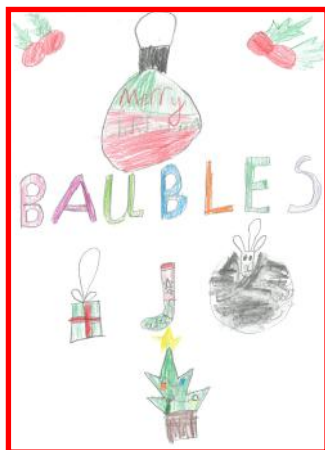
SCHOOL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CARD



Congratulations to Bonnie in Year 2 on winning the Community Christmas Card competition with their delightful and festive artwork!

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CARDS

Congratulations to the following Year 2 children whose artwork was selected for our Nathaniel Newton School Christmas Card.



Eden



Neive



Daniel

COPING AT CHRISTMAS

The Added Pressures of Christmas can be Tough, but it's Important to know there's always Someone you can Talk to...

NHS 111 online

Call 111 & select option 2 to speak to the NHS Mental Health Crisis Response Service 24/7

[Nhs.uk/mental-health](https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health)

PAPYRUS

Under 35s can Call 0800 068 4141, Text: 88247 or Email: pat@papyrus-uk.org 24/7

[Papyrus-uk.org](https://www.papyrus-uk.org)

SAMARITANS

Call 116 123 to talk to Samaritans, or email: jo@samaritans.org for a reply within 24 hours

[Samaritans.org](https://www.samaritans.org)

MIND

Call MIND's Mental Health Helpline 9am to 6pm, Monday to Friday on 0300 102 1234

[Mind.org.uk](https://www.mind.org.uk)

shout
85258

Text "SHOUT" to 85258 to contact the Shout Crisis Text Line, or text "YM" if you're under 19

[Giveusashout.org](https://www.giveusashout.org)

CALM

Mental Health Forum & Chat for Men from 5pm - midnight every day Call or Watsapp 0800 585858

[Thecalmzone.net](https://www.thecalmzone.net)

[ChristmasCountdown.uk](https://www.ChristmasCountdown.uk)

Upcoming Parent Workshop – Supporting Children's Emotional Regulation

- **Date:** Friday, 16th January
- **Time:** 2:30–3:00 PM

More information will be sent after the New Year. This workshop is a valuable opportunity to learn strategies to support your child's **emotional regulation**.

Important information for parents of children starting school in September 2026

Admissions into school for Reception in September 2026

Parents will need to apply for a place at school for September 2026 if your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022 (for a place in Reception).

The closing date for applications is 5pm on 15th January 2026.

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.

Important information for Year 2 parents/carers

Year 2 transfer to Junior School in September 2026

Parents of children in Year 2 will need to apply for a Junior School place.

The closing date for applications is 5pm on 15th January 2026.

Please apply at -

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PE DAYS

Children should come dressed ready for PE on the following days:

Reception

Bumblebees - Monday

Hedgehogs - Thursday

Dragonflies - Friday

Year 1

Owls - Wednesday

Rabbits - Wednesday

Squirrels - Wednesday

Year 2

Foxes - Tuesday and Thursday

Deers - Tuesday and Thursday

Badgers - Tuesday and Thursday



STAYING HYDRATED

Please ensure your child brings a named drinks bottle to school each day.

COLDER WEATHER

As the weather gets colder, please ensure your child comes to school **dressed appropriately for the season**. A coat or jacket is essential, and hats, scarves, and gloves are recommended for outdoor play and activities.

Please make sure all items are clearly named.



CLASS ASSEMBLIES 9:00 AM

We are excited to invite you to attend your child's upcoming class assembly! It will be a wonderful opportunity to witness the amazing performances and hard work your child has put into preparing for this special event.

Due to the size of our hall, we kindly ask that you limit attendance to two adults per child. Please make sure to enter via the school office.

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| Tuesday 3rd February | Deers | Mrs Hancox and Mrs Gordon |
| Tuesday 10th February | Owls | Mrs Evans |
| Tuesday 24th March | Rabbits | Mrs Dicken and Miss Hall |
| Wednesday 25th March | Squirrels | Mrs Ireland and Mrs Bates |
| Tuesday 12th May | Dragonflies | Mrs Doherty and Mrs Taroni |
| Tuesday 19th May | Bumblebees | Mrs Hartop |
| Tuesday 7th July | Hedgehogs | Mrs Lowen |

Diary dates for the school year 2025 - 2026



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

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| Friday 19th December | - We break up for Christmas holidays |
| Monday 5th January | - Children return to school |
| Friday 16th January | - PTA Non uniform day - Gift Amnesty |
| Friday 16th January | - Mental Health Workshop - Emotional Regulation 2:30 pm - 3:00pm |
| Tuesday 3rd February | - Deers (Mrs Hancox / Mrs Gordon) class assembly 9:00 am |
| Tuesday 3rd February | - PTA Movie Night |
| Tuesday 10th February | - Owls (Mrs Evans) class assembly 9:00 am |
| Friday 13th February | - PTA Treat Friday - Valentines |
| Friday 13th February | - We break up for half term |
| Monday 23rd February | - Children return to school |
| Monday 2nd March | - Foxes (Mrs Fussey) Parent Consultations 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm |
| Monday 2nd March | - Owls (Mrs Evans) Parent Consultations 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm |
| Tuesday 3rd March | - Badgers (Mrs Keane) Parent Consultations 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm |
| Wednesday 4th March | - Deers (Mrs Hancox and Mrs Gordon) Parent Consultations 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm |
| Thursday 5th March | - World Book Day |
| Thursday 5th March | - PTA Newton Bars Sale |
| Friday 6th March | - Dragonflies (Mrs Doherty/Mrs Taroni) Parent Consultations 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm |
| Monday 9th March | - Hedgehogs (Mrs Lowen) Parent Consultations 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm |
| Tuesday 10th March | - Rabbits (Mrs Dicken / Miss Hall) Parent Consultations 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm |
| Tuesday 10th March | - Bumblebees (Miss Lindsey) Parent Consultations 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm |
| Wednesday 11th March | - Squirrels (Mrs Ireland / Mrs Bates) Parent Consultations 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm |
| Thursday 12th March | - Parent Consultations all classes 3:40 pm - 6:30 pm. |
| Friday 13th March | - Mothers Day afternoon 2:00 pm |
| Friday 13th March | - Non Uniform day - Chocolate |
| Friday 20th March | - PTA Easter Bingo |
| Tuesday 24th March | - Rabbits (Mrs Dicken and Miss Hall) class assembly 9:00 am |
| Wednesday 25th March | - Squirrels (Mrs Ireland and Mrs Bates) class assembly 9:00 am |
| Friday 27th March | - Egg Rolling am and Easter Bonnet Parade 2:45 pm |
| Friday 27th March | - PTA Treat Friday - Easter |
| Friday 27th March | - We break up for Easter holiday |
| Monday 13th April | - Children return to school |
| Monday 4th May | - May Day Bank holiday |

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| Thursday 7th May | - PTA Movie Night |
| W/b 11th May | - PTA Sponsored Event |
| Tuesday 12th May | - Dragonflies (Mrs Doherty / Mrs Taroni class assembly 9:00 am |
| Tuesday 19th May | - Bumblebees (Miss Lindsey) class assembly 9:00 am |
| Friday 22nd May | - PTA Non uniform day - Bottles |
| Friday 22nd May | - We break up for half term |
| Monday 1st June | - Staff Training Day - School closed to children |
| Tuesday 2nd June | - Children return to school |
| W/b 8th June | - Phonics Screening Check Week for Year 1 children |
| Tuesday 16th June | - Year 2 Sports morning 9:00 am - 10:30 am |
| Wednesday 17th June | - Year 1 Sports morning 9:00 am - 10:30 am |
| Thursday 18th June | - Year R Sports morning 9:00 am - 10:30 am |
| Thursday 18th June | - Parent Meeting—Pre Admissions— September start 6:00 pm |
| Friday 19th June | - Fathers Day afternoon |
| Tuesday 30th June | - Year 2 Leavers Concert 2:00 pm |
| Wednesday 1st July | - Year 2 Leavers Concert 9:10 am |
| Friday 3rd July | - PTA Non uniform day - Chocolate |
| Monday 6th July | - Reports go home to parents |
| Tuesday 7th July | - Hedgehogs (Mrs Lowen) class assembly 9:00 am |
| Wednesday 8th July | - Induction Day |
| Friday 10th July | - PTA Summer Event |
| Tuesday 14th July | - Reception and Year 1 Attendance Assembly |
| Thursday 16th July | - Year 2 Leavers Assembly 9:00 am |
| Thursday 16th July | - Year 2 Leavers Party pm |
| Friday 17th July | - We break up for Summer holidays |
| Monday 20th July | - Designated Staff Training Day - School closed to children |

Whilst we will endeavour to keep to the dates above, circumstances beyond our control may mean we have to rearrange an event. If this did happen, we would give as much notice as we can.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU



Week 1 **05/01, 26/01, 23/02, 16/03**

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri |
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| Tomato Pasta Bake Plant Burger in a Bun Jacket Potato Chicken Fajita Pasta | Chicken Fajita Wrap Hearty Roots Chilli & Rice Jacket Potato Tomato & Meatball Pasta | Roast Chicken Plant Toad in the Hole Jacket Potato Mac 4 Cheese Pasta | Pork Sausages & Mash Cheese & Potato Pie Jacket Potato Herby Tomato Pasta | Salmon Fishcake Cheese & Tomato Pizza Jacket Potato Peppernata Pasta |

Week 2 **12/01, 02/02, 02/03, 23/03**

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri |
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| Chicken Burger in a Bun Cheese & Onion Flan Jacket Potato Mac 4 Cheese Pasta | Cheese & Tomato Pizza Veg & Baked Bean Stack Jacket Potato Herby Tomato Pasta | Roast Pork Quorn Roast Jacket Potato Peppernata Pasta | Tomato Pasta Bake Quorn Dippers Jacket Potato Mac 4 Cheese Pasta | Battered Fish Fillet Rainbow Risotto Jacket Potato Tomato & Basil Pasta |

Week 3 **19/01, 09/02, 09/03**

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri |
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| Beef Bolognaise Vegetable Fingers Jacket Potato Tomato & Meatball Pasta | Rustic Pizza Wedge Sweet Potato & Lentil Curry Jacket Potato Chicken Fajita Pasta | Roast Chicken Veg "Meat" Loaf Jacket Potato Mac 4 Cheese Pasta | Pork Meatballs Filled Pastry Crown Jacket Potato Tomato & Basil Pasta | Fish Fingers Macaroni Cheese Jacket Potato Peppernata Pasta |

*Jacket Potato daily—choice of cheese, beans and tuna.

Available Daily-Fruit Cordial Or Semi Skimmed Milk, Bread Basket, Salad Bar and Vegetable of the Day.

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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