



Newsletter



6th October 2023

Working to Learn Together

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The highlight of the week...

Has been meeting several parents who have shared their views with me about the things that they like about the school and things that they feel they would like to see improved. This has been extremely useful, just a reminder that the virtual meeting for parents is scheduled for Tuesday 10th October at 7:30pm. The link is here: [Parent meeting](#)

Other news...

- Today, and yesterday, the school has been undergoing a whole school review, carried out by staff from the YEAT Academy Trust. Their findings are part of the information gathering exercise I am currently undertaking and will be of huge importance to assist us in establishing our priorities moving forward.
- A huge thankyou to the parents who have sent me feedback or attended the meetings I have held so far. I hope that you have found them useful. To support this work there is a simple QR code link below, or a link, to a short questionnaire on the following questions. It would be very much appreciated if you could answer these three questions.

<https://forms.office.com/e/ZGFjEHpQwX>

- What values the community feel are important?
- What do parents want for their children during their time at Newby?
 - What do parents want Newby to be like for their children?

Newby and Scalby School - The Future



- Again, another huge thank you to the many of you who have donated a book via our Amazon Wishlist – it has been a huge success. If you would like to donate, please follow the link.

<https://www.newbyandscalby.coastandvale.academy/curriculum/reading1/donate-a-book/>

We have been fortunate enough to have received over £400 in book donations so far.

- As part of our drive to enable children to shine we are inviting children who play an instrument to audition to be part of the music coming into assembly each week. The hope is that this will enable pupils to have a chance to shine, give them experience of playing to an audience and share their love of music with their peers.

Auditions are on Monday 9th October – so if your child is interested, please make sure they come to school with their relevant instrument – except a piano!!

- In addition to this we will be launching an Art Competition next term, to encourage those children who love Art to have a chance to shine. More details of the competition will follow at the end of this term.
- Parents' Evenings take place on the 16th and 18th October. Please book a slot via ParentApp if you have not already done so. These meetings will be face to face in nature. We are exploring a hybrid model going forward to offer parents the best of both worlds.
- We are on the lookout for volunteer helpers in school, primarily to hear children read. If this should be of interest to you, please get in touch with the school office. These roles are subject to a comprehensive safeguarding check including an Enhanced DBS.
- Random request – we are on the look out for a vending machine like the one pictured. If you know of any that might be available please do get in touch.



- Sports kit – As a school we currently take part in several sporting opportunities. However, this means we often need more than one kit. If there are any companies willing to sponsor us and provide us with a new kit – please do contact the office. Many thanks.
- Uniform – Just a general reminder about uniform – please ensure that children are wearing the required uniform; this also applies to jewellery, footwear and hair. If you are unsure please check this section of the school website. [Uniform](#)

And finally...our assembly this week was focussed on Black History Month. Over the course of this month children will be learning about and celebrating the lives and contributions of many influential black people within this country and beyond. This week we started with Rosa Parks – for more information about her story follow this link. [Rosa Parks](#)

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2023

Best wishes, Steve Owen - Executive Headteacher

Tues 10 th October	2:00pm – 3:00pm	Book & Bun session for EYFS Blue group and some Green group	You will have received an invite if your child is in these groups For children who have signed up via ParentApp Follow this link: Parent meeting
	4:00pm	Cross country event	
	7.30pm	Online meeting with Headteacher	
Wednesday 11 th October	2:00pm – 3:00pm	Book & Bun session for EYFS Red group and some Green group	You will have received an invite if your child is in these groups
	2:45pm	School uniform shop open	
Thursday 12 th October	4:00pm	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TRAINING DAY Y5 & Y6 Netball at St Augustine's School	For those who have been selected
Friday 13 th October	3:20pm-4:15pm	Football Training	Invitations to be sent home soon
Saturday 14 th October	10:00am-1:00pm	Girls Football at Pindar School	For those who have been selected

HARVEST FESTIVAL WEEK

Monday 16 th October	4:00pm – 6:30pm	Parents evening. Face to face appointments in school	Please book via parent app
Wednesday 18 th October	1:00pm-3:00pm	Year 4 (and Y4 siblings) School Photographs	Please book via parent app
	2:45pm	School uniform shop open	
	4:00pm – 6:30pm	Parents evening. Face to face appointments in school	
Thursday 19 th October	4:00pm	Boys Football match at Northstead school	For those who have been selected

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