



Newsletter



13th October 2023

Working to Learn Together

w/c 16.10.23 – Menu 1

The highlight of the week...

Has been so many things... but I think it was the auditions we held for our musicians to play us in and out of assembly. There were some nerves, but they were all brilliant!

Other news...

- Last week the YEAT academy Trust completed their external review of the school and this has complemented the review I have been carrying out myself. There were some interesting findings, but the most significant one to share was that the children were brilliant!
- Thankyou to all the parents who attended the meeting I held on Tuesday night, I understand there were some technical difficulties and not everyone was able to join. I will be running additional meetings into next term to gather any further thoughts going 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 very much be 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**



- Once I have completed my review and presented my findings to the Trust, I will be drawing up a plan of action to address the areas within the school that need work. The key priorities will be shared with parents so that you are aware of what we will be focussing on. I am confident that we will be able to make this school the amazing place it can be!
- A huge well done to the children who took part in the Cross Country running this week. It was great to hear how well you got on! Thank you for attending and representing the school.
- 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 almost £500 in book donations so far.

- We are very grateful to Scalby Fair for their generous fair of £100.
- We had some fabulous auditions this week by the children, who really did shine and we have drawn up a list of musical accompaniment for the remainder of this term into next. We had so many children volunteering that it will take a few weeks for us to get through them all. I'd like to say a huge thankyou to all of them for having the courage to perform for us and giving up their time to do so.
- We will be holding some additional sessions for parents on the teaching of reading in the EYFS and KS1. Look out for further information on these sessions going forward.
- FINAL REMINDER: Parents' Evenings take place on the 16th and 18th October. Please book a slot today if you have not already done so. These meetings will be face to face in nature, so please do come into the school.
- 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.



- 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 focussed on Marcus Rashford – for more information about his story follow this link. [Marcus Rashford](#)



Best wishes, Steve Owen - Executive Headteacher

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	
	2:45pm	School uniform shop open	
	4:00pm – 6:30pm	Parents evening. Face to face appointments in school	Please book via parent app
Thursday 19 th October	4:00pm	Boys Football match at Northstead school	For those who have been selected
	4:00pm – 5.30pm	Cross Country at SRUFC	Please consent on the app if you haven't already and your child would like to race
Friday 20 th October		Year 6 Litter Pick	

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