



Friday 26th May 2023

Newsletter

Newbold Verdon
Primary School

We Inspire Our Dragons to Fly Higher!

Dear Parents,

The sun is shining, the spring flowers are out and life feels good at Newbold Verdon. It is so lovely to see the children enjoying the change in weather and playing so nicely on the field. We recently put a stop to football during breaks and lunches and I'm really proud to say that the children have responded so well to the change. They can now be seen playing with a wide variety of children, being imaginative in their choice of games and coming back into school after break, ready to learn. I hope all of you have your own chance to enjoy the sunshine over the coming half-term and that it gives everyone a well-earned break. Mrs Collins

Ready, Respectful, Safe

Over the past few months, the whole school staff have been taking part in training around behaviour. We have been using the work of Paul Dix, a renowned behaviour specialist who focuses on the culture of school and the relationships children have with the adults. His book, 'When the Adults Change, Everything Changes,' highlights the role adults have in modelling positive behaviours in school and the development of a learning atmosphere. You may have noticed the children talking about the positive experiences they are having in school such as Beautiful Walking, Notes Home, Ready, Respectful, Safe. The expectations have been clearly defined for the children and consistency of the application of these is key. We have noticed a significant change and we hope you have too.

SATs and Multiplication Checks

As part of government expectations, the children in Year 2, 6 and 4 have or will be very soon completing their statutory assessments. The children in years 2 and 6 have worked really hard to achieve their best and as a school we would like to say a big thank you to everyone who contributed and supported the children along the way. In addition, a huge well-done to all of the children who have taken part. Year 4 have their Multiplication check coming up in the 2nd week after half-term. All parents across the school, please feel free to reinforce rapid recall of times tables – nothing has changed since we were at school – they are just as important now as they always were!

Special events

Children in a range of year groups have been taking part in a number of activities both in and outside of school. Year 6 and 3 have been coached by Leicester Tigers in their rugby skills. Year 6 have visited Warning Zone which prepares them to become streetwise to the challenges life might throw at them and the Unit and Year 6 have been swimming on a weekly basis. Coming up we have a number of class assemblies being prepared, your class teachers will inform you of these, end of year performances, Science links being made with the Market Bosworth School, trips to the farm for the Foundation and class and Lego Stem workshops for the whole for Key Stage 1 and 2.

Community Garden

With great kindness, Ibstock Bricks have donated bricks and adults to support us in the construction of our Community Garden. You can see the plans in the reception area of school. Mr March has been working with the volunteers, children and parents to dig the trenches in readiness to lay the bricks. We have more sessions in which you can take part with your children where we will be laying the bricks and then preparing the beds for each class to work on. This is an on-going venture where we would be really pleased to see members of the local community involved. Please let us know if you know people who would like to join us.

Charity Day

As part of our broader curriculum, every class has a charity linked to their year group. On Thursday 8th June children will be taking part in an event to raise the awareness of their respective charities. Please support your children by asking them about their charities and what they are raising money for.

Friends of Newbold Verdon

The Friends of Newbold Verdon have many events up and coming. Please see the list in the diary below for more details. We have a Fathers' Day shop, Shorts and Shades Disco and Summer Fayre and Picnic. The Leavers Prom, which takes place at the club in the village, is also organised by the PTA. This is a great time for us to send our Year 6's off to secondary school with lots of fun and excitement. Thank you to all who help with the events – it really is a community feel.

Local churches

As a school we have been making links with all of our local churches. Whether you are religious or not we feel it is really important for the children to become aware of all aspects of their local and wider community. The churches are a crucial part of unifying the village and we have recently welcomed a number of representatives into the school to discuss special events and share in the school values. As the saying goes, 'It takes a village to raise a child.' I really believe that we can all contribute to giving our children a positive start in life and celebrate the close working partnerships with all aspects of our community.

Forest School

The children were recently talking about the parts of school they love the most – Forest School came out as a resounding favourite. It offers so many opportunities to develop curiosity, explore nature, develop confidence and encourage team work. Mrs North has been doing a fabulous job of making our Forest School experience one of the best in the county. Please ensure your children are well-prepared for Forest School and the changing weathers we experience whether it be hot, cold or wet.

Dates for your Diary

Mon 5 – Fri 9 June	Year 4 Multiplication Checks	
Tuesday 6 June	EYFS Paradise Farm Trip	
Wednesday 7 June	MTC Research Project (Year 4)	
Wednesday 7 June	Community Garden afternoon (1pm – 3pm)	
Thursday 8 June	Charity Afternoon	
Friday 9 June	Year 2 Library Trip	
Mon 12 – Fri 16 June	Year 1 Phonics Checks	
Weds 14 – Fri 16 June	LEGO STEM Workshops	
Wednesday 14 June	Fathers' Day Shop (within school time)	
Friday 16 June	Year 5/6 PE Sporting Character Programme	
Friday 16 June	Community Garden morning (9am – 12 noon)	
Friday 16 June	Shorts and Shades Disco	Pre-School/EYFS/KS1 5pm – 6pm
		KS2 6.15pm – 7.15pm
Friday 23 June	Year 1 Library Trip	
Friday 23 June	Community Garden afternoon (1pm – 3pm)	
Tuesday 27 June	Sports Day (1pm – 3pm)	
Thursday 29 June	Art Gallery 3.15pm – 4.15pm	
Friday 30 June	Community Garden afternoon (1pm – 3pm)	
Saturday 1 July	Summer Fayre 12 noon – 2pm	
Tuesday 4 July	Sports Day (reserve)	
Tuesday 4 July	Bosworth Academy Induction Day	
Thursday 6 July	Market Bosworth High School Transition Day	
Thursday 6 July	Year 6 Prom 6pm – 7.30pm	
Friday 7 July	Market Bosworth High School Transition Day	
Friday 7 July	Moving Up Day at Newbold Verdon Primary School	
Tuesday 11 July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 1pm – 3.30pm	
Thursday 13 July	School Closes 3.15pm	