



Newton Hill News

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week

Nursery	Bella
Reception	Elizabeth
Year 1	Robin
Year 2	Jessica
Year 3	Zoya
Year 4	Jacob
Year 5	C-Ella
Year 6	Layla

EYFS

Nursery:

This week in Nursery we have been learning about our families. The children have really enjoyed talking about their family members and sharing family photos with the rest of the class.

Reception:

This week in Reception, we have been learning about our Rainbow Challenges. The children have been counting families into boats, creating pictures of their families and role playing family scenarios!

Year 1

In Year 1 we have been learning about the different seasons and keeping a record of the weather this week.



Year 2

This week Year 2 have been learning the names of the 7 continents and where they are located in the world. We have also been investigating the best conditions to grow seeds and bulbs and have planted lots of sunflowers and daffodils. We have also continued to learn the next part of our 'Space Dance'.



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Year 3

In Year 3 this week we have been continuing with our topic on World War Two and we have learnt about the war effort from the people on the Home Front. We have also explored the use of propaganda posters that were used in the war and even created some of our own.



Year 5

Year 5 have been investigating the effect that air resistance has on falling objects. We have designed our own parachutes to (hopefully) protect a falling egg!

Year 6

This week year 6 have been learning a dance routine to perform at the end of the half term with a slightly spooky feel - we can't wait to share it! We have also been thinking about places that are special to us and why this is, as well as continuing to read Trash and discuss the context of the story in our English lessons.

School Attendance Matters

We are very keen to ensure that all children attend school regularly, as this is important for your child's academic progress. We need your help to improve our attendance figure. You can help by making sure your child is at school on time every day.

The school doors open at 8:50am. School gates open at 8:40am.
If you need any support, Miss Hargreaves our learning mentor will be happy to help.

Please help us to ensure our attendance is the best it can be.
Thank you for your continued support.

Our Whole School Target is 96%	
Whole School 2019/2020	96%
Nursery	98.38%
Reception	96.30%
Year 1	97.66%
Year 2	94.62%
Year 3	97.12%
Year 4	94.17%
Year 5	95.51%
Year 6	96.89%

Attendance	Days Missed Over a Year
100%	0
95%	10
90%	20
85%	30
80%	40

If your attendance is under 95%, you are missing at least two weeks of learning time a year.

If your attendance is at 90%, you are missing four weeks of learning time.



Dates for your diary

2019/2020

- Tuesday 24th September 9:00-10:00 **Year 5** Parent Workshop (more details to follow)
- Tuesday 8th October 9:00-10:00 **Reception** Parent Workshop (more details to follow)
- Thursday 24th October Halloween Disco (more details to follow)
- Thursday 14th November 9:00-10:00 **Year 1** Parent Workshop (more details to follow)
- Thursday 7th May INSET day (Polling Day)
- (Friday 8th May is May Bank Holiday)
- Monday 20th July will be an INSET day. In July 2020, the last day of term will be Friday 17th July. The final two INSET dates will follow.

E-Safety Update: **Immersive and Addictive Technologies**

This new report from the House of Commons Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee considers the potential psychosocial and financial harms associated with the use of immersive technologies (think social media and gaming). The report is huge and goes into great detail, I would recommend you take a look at page 6 (what are immersive and addictive technologies) and page 61 (conclusions and recommendations).

<https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201719/cmselect/cmcmds/1846/1846.pdf>

Thank you to everyone who supported and donated today!



Our 5 Golden Rules

At Newton Hill Community School, everyone follows our 5 Golden Rules. *We want everyone to be the best they can be and to 'Reach for the Stars'.*

- ❖ We will always keep everyone included.
- ❖ We will always keep everyone safe.
- ❖ We will always keep everyone learning.
- ❖ We will always try our best.
- ❖ We are always honest.



Unplanned School Closures

In the unlikely event of a school closure, for reasons out of our control, we will contact you via text messaging. We will also display messages and updates on our school website www.newtonhill.wakefield.sch.uk

We will always do our best to stay open, but if for any reason we have to close **during the day** we will contact you by text, parent hub and information will be displayed on our website. A member of the Senior Leadership Team will always stay on site until all children have been collected.

Keeping Everyone Safe

If you have any safeguarding concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school - our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are:

Mrs Wheatley, Mr Duce, Mrs Luck, Mr Paine, Miss Hargreaves, Mrs Myton and Miss Land.

Visit NSPCC for your guide to social networks, apps and games.



Contact Details

Please ensure we have your up to date contact details (emergency contact details/updates of addresses).

Please call in at the school office or contact school either on 01924 303680 or at admin@newton-hill.org.uk if you need to update your details.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff. You can speak to class teachers at the end of the day or you can make an appointment if you prefer. We are here to help. Thank you for your continued support.