



Newton Hill Community School - Update: 16.2.2022

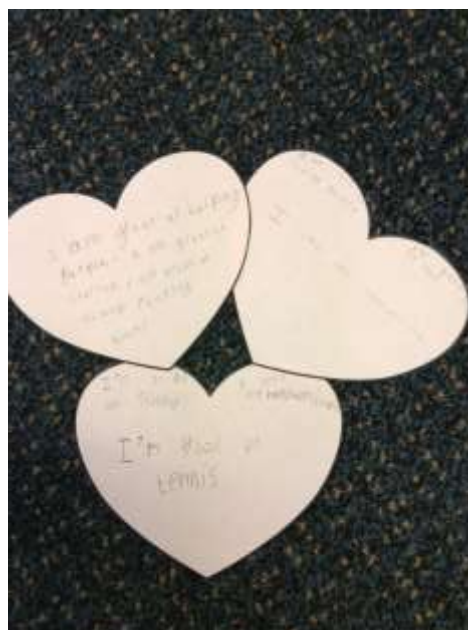


Ready for Learning - Ready for Life - Reach for the Stars

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you to everyone for your donations for Place2Be – we had a lovely week celebrating mental health week. Thank you to everyone for working so hard and for sharing your work in assembly last week.



School (pre-loved) Uniform Sale.

Thank you for your donations. We will continue to hold pre-loved uniform sales next half term. Thank you to Mrs Dundas and all the children who helped.

Wakefield Happy Healthy Holidays

Please see the previous newsletter for clubs available in the Wakefield district through the half term holiday.

Children who are eligible for Free School Meals can attend for FREE.



Interim Reports and Parent/Carer Consultations

This week your child/children in KS1 and KS2 will receive an interim report informing you about your child's current attainment and progress. Next half term you will be invited to our second parent/carers consultations which will take place during the week commencing 4.4.2022. Further details will be sent out next half term.

After school clubs/Newts pick up

From now, all after school clubs will be dismissed from the Fourth Ave gate. The main entrance is for children who use Newts only. Access to the car park for Newts is a privilege not all schools offer and I would like to remind all parents of our parent code of conduct when using the car park. If you have concerns regarding the car park we ask that you speak to members of staff in a professional manner. Thank you for your cooperation.

CH & CO – School Meals

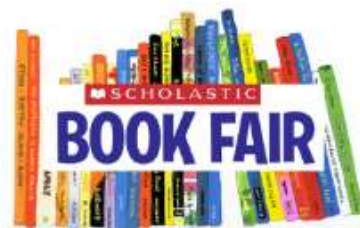
Please see attached the new menu for next half term.

The school meals are being enjoyed by staff and children. Please remember that all children in Reception and KS1 are entitled to a FREE school meal every day.



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Dream Big
READ!



Monday 14th March – Thursday 17th March 2022

Dear Parents & Families,

It is **World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March 2022** and your child is invited to dress up as their favourite book character to help celebrate this occasion.

Our 2nd **book fair** of the year will run from **Monday 14th March until Thursday 17th March**. Every book that is sold allows us to buy resources for the children. We have previously used money you have raised to buy; half class sets of reading books, engaging books for classrooms and added books to our library.

The book fair will be held in the end classroom in the new building extension after school at 3:30 p.m. At this Book Fair you can pay with money and we will continue to offer online payments if you would prefer to pay this way. The online payment method is called 'Parent Payment'. You'll need a phone with 3G/4G connection as you'll need to follow the link below or use the QR code to make a purchase. You can also use this method if you would prefer to order a book from home and have it delivered on the Friday.

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/travelling-books/pay>

Competition:

All children from EYFS (Nursery and Reception) to Year 6 can be involved in the competition.

The challenge for this year's book fair is to create some props to accompany your favourite book. You could use materials such as; plasticine, clay, papier-mâché.

All entries must be in no later than 4pm Wednesday 16th March. The winner will be announced on Thursday.

The winner from each class will then get to choose a book!

Thank you in anticipation for your support!

Yours Sincerely

Mr Paine



Next half term...

We are really looking forward to planting our 'tiny forest' within the school grounds.

Dates:

- Thursday 3rd March - World Book Day – Dress as a book character
- Book Fair Week w/c 14th March
- Wednesday 16th March - Competition deadline
- Thursday 5th May – INSET Day
- Thursday 26th May – INSET Day
- Friday 27th May – INSET Day

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please contact school on 01924 303680 or send an email to admin@newton-hill.org.uk.

Wishing you a lovely half term.

Kind regards,

Mrs Wheatley & all the Staff at Newton Hill

The information below has been on previous newsletters/updates

Just a reminder about procedures for school closures:

Unplanned School Closures – Snow/Adverse Weather

It is coming to that time of year when the weather can start to change. Although snow is welcomed by our children it can, as you know, cause issues with schools. We will always aim to notify you of any closures at the earliest opportunity and appreciate that this may be at short notice.

In the unlikely event of a school closure, for reasons out of our control, we will contact you via Parent Hub. We will also display messages/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 via 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.

Newts Provision – Adverse Weather

During adverse weather conditions, various considerations need to be assessed to see if school can open safely – for example the number of members of staff who can get to work safely, site safety and access.

Therefore, if there are any occasions of adverse weather (snow/treacherous conditions), Newts provision will not be open for breakfast club. This is to allow sufficient time for school to assess if school can open safely and if there are enough staff able to travel to school safely.

Messages will be sent to all parents via Parent Hub as reminders should this be the case and we will always give advance notice if weather warnings are issued. We will aim to notify you by 7am should this be the case. We will always try to stay open during adverse weather conditions and school may offer a later opening time rather than a full closure depending on the circumstances.

Safeguarding

If you have any safeguarding concerns or need any support or advice please do not hesitate to contact the school - our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are: Mrs Wheatley, Mrs Luck, Mr Paine, Mrs Dundas, Mrs Myton and Miss Land.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/> This website offers advice and guides for parents which you may find useful.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/pants-underwear-rule/>

Keeping Safe Online

For advice on keeping safe online for parents and children you may wish to visit: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>



Simple conversations to help keep your child safe



NSPCC

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