



Welcome back to school everyone and a very warm welcome to our new families.

Parent Consultations: Parent meetings have taken place this week a little earlier than we normally meet with you. This is so you could have a chance to speak with your child's new teacher and understand the expectations as they move into their new class. At the end of the autumn term you will receive a short report regarding your child's progress in Term 1, followed by a second consultation in the Spring Term. If at any point you wish to discuss your child's progress please contact school to make an appointment, we are here to help and we would be happy to meet with you.

Dates for your diary

Friday 19th October: EYFS/KS1 Harvest Assemblies at 9:15-9:45 and KS2 at 10:15

Week beginning 8th October: Reading Week, including our first Book Fayre.

Week beginning 12th November: Anti-Bullying Week

Friday 30th November: INSET day (School closed)

Class Assemblies: We would like to invite you to your child's class assembly. The dates are:

Friday 23rd November: Year 1 and Year 2

Thursday 29th November: Year 3 and Year 4

Friday 7th December: Year 5 and Year 6

Reception and Nursery open morning dates to follow on class letters.

October half term: Break up on Friday 26th October and return on Monday 5th November.

Harvest Assemblies

We would like to welcome you to our Harvest Assemblies, the dates are:

Friday 19th October: EYFS/KS1 Harvest Assemblies at 9:15-9:45 and KS2 at 10:15

Children can invite 2 family members to attend.

We will be collecting any donations for St Catherine's Church for their food bank.

All donations will be greatly appreciated (non-perishables only please).

Please send any donations the week beginning the 15th October. Thank you.



Christmas Celebrations

We would like to welcome you to our Christmas Celebrations, the dates are:

Tuesday 11th December: EYFS/KS1 Christmas Performance at 9:30 or 2:00pm

Thursday 13th December: KS2 Carol Concert 9:15 or 2:30pm

(Tickets will follow for Christmas Celebrations)



Parent Hub:

As you are aware we are now using the Parent Hub App to share information with you. If you have not yet downloaded the App please visit www.parenthub.co.uk to find out more instructions. If you are experiencing any difficulties accessing the app, or would like to give feedback on the app, please contact a member of the office staff.

The Parent Hub is a FREE app and it will help keep you up to date with what's going on at school. You'll receive messages, pictures, documents and newsletters, all in one handy place.

What you need to do:

1. Download the Parent Hub app from your app store (iPhone or Android).
2. Create yourself an account.
3. Choose "Add a School" and enter the school handle @NewtonHill

Please note only parents who have downloaded the app will receive pictures, documents and newsletters. If you have not downloaded you will be limited to the type of messages you can receive via SMS messages, so with this in mind we would encourage all parents to download if possible. From September we are aiming to communicate entirely through the Parent Hub app.

Please note all parents not on the app will still receive key messages via SMS

School Premises

School Car park: Parking on school premises is **not allowed** without prior permission. Exceptions to this at this time are if you are dropping off/collecting from Newts or dropping off at Early Bird Reading Club. For these clubs you can access the school car park until 8:15am and after 4:15pm. Parents using the clubs should walk their child to the door to meet a member of Newts staff. With our ever growing staff, we ask all parents to use the side car park and not the car park at the front of school. The front car park is for **staff only**.

Parking near school: Please be respectful of our residents.

Thank you for your co-operation.



Expansion:

We are here to help, so if you have any questions/queries please do not hesitate to call in at the school office or contact school either on 01924 303680 or at admin@newton-hill.org.uk.

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.

School Attendance Matters

Our current attendance figure is 98% for 2018/2019 to date.

Our target is 96%.

You can help us to keep our attendance target by ensuring your child arrives on time every day, that they come to school unless they are ill and that holidays are not taken during term time.

School doors open at 8:50am – please ensure your child arrives to school on time.

Arriving late will affect your child's attendance.

You will need to complete a **Holiday Request Form** if a holiday is to be taken in term time. Once this has been received you will then receive a letter from school regarding the absence. As a school we pass all requests for holidays to the Education Welfare Service. You will receive a letter/penalty notice from the EWO regarding your term time holiday.

Holiday Request Forms are available from the school office.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Judd, Mrs Offord or Mrs Edgar in the school office.



Unplanned School Closures

In the unlikely event of a school closure, for reasons out of our control, we will send a text and messages via the Parent Hub app and also 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.

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.

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.