Newsletter

Friday 13th September (No. 2)

Message from Mr Marshall

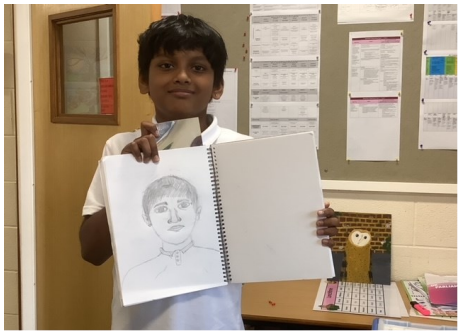
Each school year our first topic is 'All different, but all equal'. There is an important reason for this. The curriculum we teach at Newtown is designed with what is right for the children of Newtown at its heart. The theme 'All different, but all equal' explores our own identities and also the diversity within local, national and international communities. Our school is one of the most socially, ethnically and culturally diverse schools in Wiltshire. Along with the incredible Newtown children, this diversity is a strength - it is a source of great pride and something we celebrate. It also brings a wealth of opportunities for children to understand and be well prepared for leading successful and fulfilling lives in modern Britain now and as they get older.

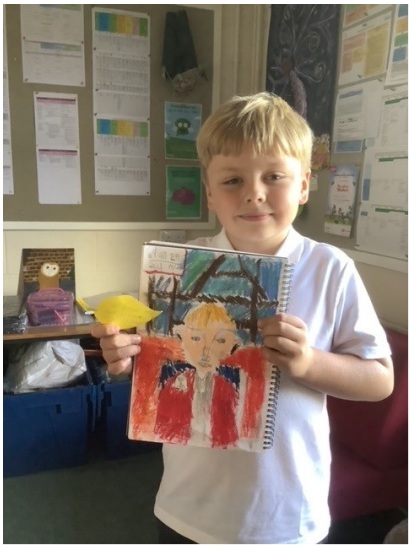
As part of learning about identity, children experience drawing and making their own portraits. Creating a portrait is a real skill and it has been amazing to watch the children, as they have captured both their looks and their personalities through this super work. During this portrait work children have also been considering how we are different from each other. We have discussed the importance of celebrating, loving and respecting ourselves and our differences. The children have thought about different cultures, faiths and beliefs; physical differences; and also the things that they enjoy doing. I have shared some photographs of the children's sketchbook work that shows how they have developed their portrait skills.

Golden Lunchbox
Proud winners of the Golden Lunchbox. The Golden Lunchbox for the summer term has been awarded to last year's Ash and Chestnut Class (now Beech and Cedar). This was the first dead heat in Golden Lunchbox history!

As you may know the winning class is awarded a £30 voucher to buy something for their classroom. The children have worked with their teachers and decided to buy paint markers, gel pens, the Uno card game and the Headbandz board game. I know all of these goodies will be used very well - especially during the wet plays we will no doubt have over the next few months!









Safeguarding



Going Home Arrangements

Could we please remind parents to let us know if your child is being collected by someone different at the end of the day. For safeguarding reasons, we will never release a child to anyone who is not on your list of contacts, unless you have given us this message in the morning or called the office to inform us of collection changes. At times the office may ask you to confirm some personal information as a security check.

Messages should be received by the office by 2:45pm

Are your details up to date?

Please make sure you have informed the office if you have had any changes in circumstances of who should be on your contacts list. Also make sure we have the right telephone numbers for you and your contacts.
Thank you for helping us to keep your children safe.



Wraparound Care

We still have spaces available

we offer the following wraparound childcare:

3.15pm to 4.15pm (£4.00)
4.15pm to 5.15pm (£4.00)

We also offer breakfast club
7.45am to 8.30am (£2.50)

Please log onto Scopay to book your sessions.
If you have any queries, please contact the school office.



For the attention of all parents

Will your child be transferring to a secondary school in September 2025?

You must apply for a secondary school place

Apply online at **wiltshire.gov.uk** or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

The deadline for applications is

12 midnight, 31 October 2024

All forms must be returned to the school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire.

Contact customer services on **01225 713010**

For more information or to request our guide to finding a secondary school place in Wiltshire.

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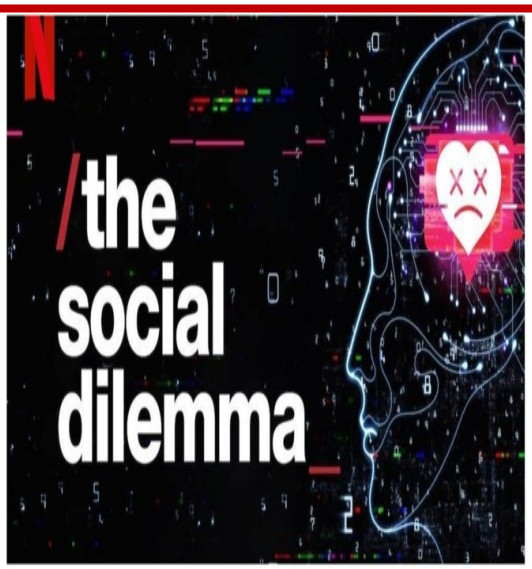


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An evening for Trowbridge parents to come and watch The Social Dilemma For those who have not seen it, the film highlights some of the dangers of social media. This will be followed by a chance to chat with other parents about the dangers (and benefits) of social media and how we can best parent our children in this area.

Thursday September 19th, 7 - 9.30pm. St James' Church. Free!

Email nick@stjamestrowbridge.co.uk to book or enquire about the event

Superstars!



Harry,
Isaiah, Ruby,
Aline,
Martha &
Alfie

Are you in need of school uniform ..?

FONS second hand uniform giveaway



Wednesday 25th September at 3.15pm

Dates for Diary	
24.09.2024	Oak Class - Bikeability
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25.09.2024	FONS second hand uniform giveaway at 3.15pm
08.10.2024	School photos - whole school
15.10.2024	Harvest Assembly at 9.15 am - all welcome
17.10.2024	Willow Class - Welly Walk
21.10.2024	Parents' Evening
22.10.2024	Parents' Evening
23.10.2024	Last day of term
04.11.2024	TD Day - school closed to children