



# Autumn 1 Newsborough

*'Life In All Its Fullness' – Living, Loving, Learning Together*

It has been a really busy half term with lots of different and exciting activities happening all across the school. The children have settled in brilliantly to their new classes, have been working really hard and impressed their new teachers with their enthusiasm and resilience. The Class Workshops have been wonderful opportunity to welcome families into school – we hope that you enjoyed them! Your support with FoNS fundraising events has enabled more outdoor gym equipment to be purchased for the children to enjoy.

## Diary Dates



### Autumn Term 2 2022

Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Start of Autumn 2
1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Parent Consultations
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 5 Parent Workshop
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Service
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 3 Parent Workshop
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 4 Parent Workshop
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 New Theatre Trip
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS Nativity
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Production
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	FoNS Christmas Gift Stall
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas Church Service
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	End of Term

Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Start of Spring 1
13 <sup>th</sup> -17 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	End of Term
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Start of Summer 1
29 <sup>th</sup> May – 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Half Term
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Last Day of Term

Our Term Dates are available on our website:

[Newborough Church of England Primary School - Term Dates \(newboroughtschool.co.uk\)](http://newboroughtschool.co.uk)

## School Development Plan

OUR SCHOOL PRIORITIES FOR THE 2022-2023 ACADEMIC YEAR ARE:

P1	Ensure leaders at all levels are effective in their role and have a positive impact on pupil outcomes.
P2	Develop further opportunities for pupils to revisit and review key learning in Maths and English.
P3	Ensure all teachers utilise their AFL to target and support pupils in making rapid progress.
P4	To further develop and enhance the Christian Distinctiveness of the school.

- This half term we have been working really hard on our Phonics teaching to make sure that all the children are receiving any additional help they need.
- We have introduced an additional arithmetic session to the weekly timetable to help the children to regularly practice their recall of number facts.
- Pupils have been chosen for various Leadership Roles across the school to support their school community.
- The children have been learning about the wider world and the part we can all play to help others through weekly Worship using Picture News and donating goods to Peterborough Soup Kitchen at our Harvest Festival. We were visited by the Soup Kitchen to explain what would happen to their donations.

### House Points

<b>Thrower</b>	<b>1309</b>
<b>Dawson</b>	<b>1522</b>
<b>Hadman</b>	<b>1229</b>
<b>Fitness</b>	<b>1478</b>

**DAWSON** House can wear their own clothes to school on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

### Attendance

<b>Red</b>	<b>97.7%</b>
<b>Orange</b>	<b>93.2%</b>
<b>Yellow</b>	<b>92.9%</b>
<b>Green</b>	<b>96.1%</b>
<b>Blue</b>	<b>96.0%</b>
<b>Indigo</b>	<b>94.1%</b>
<b>Violet</b>	<b>94.5%</b>
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>94.8%</b>

This half term we have been focussing on the value of **'FELLOWSHIP'**

#### Fellowship

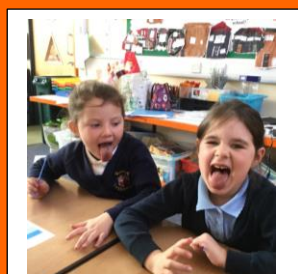
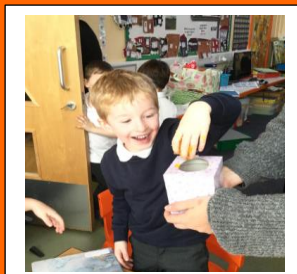
**'Encourage one another and build each other up'** Thessalonians 5:11

We are a community who work together, look out for one another and support each other in order to create a happy and positive environment where we feel loved, valued and respected and can reach our full potential.

If any family would like to receive prayer support from the St. Bartholomew's congregation, prayers can be placed into our Prayer Box in the school entrance for Mr Hurst to collect.

Red Class have settled into school life so well! They are impressing everyone with their fantastic behaviour, kindness and have a go attitude. We have learnt 20 sounds now and the children are starting to read and write simple sounds due to their careful listening during phonics sessions. They attended their first Harvest Festival at Church, showing empathy and compassion for those less fortunate. We have reflected on what makes us special with our All about Me topic and the children have enjoyed making self-portraits in lots of different ways alongside recognising similarities and differences between themselves. We have reflected on how much they have changed since they were babies and looked at what we need to grow, such as a healthy diet and even started to think about setting new goals and dreams we want to achieve. They have begun to take ownership for their learning and have started to complete jobs independently, even accessing extra challenges! What a brilliant first half term at school, well done Superstars!

It has been a positive start to Year 1 for all the children, we have enjoyed retelling stories and learning to write our own instructions. In Science, we have learnt about our senses and took part in a taste test and feeling bag challenge. We can all use a map to navigate round our school grounds and have enjoyed our Forest School sessions making owl's nests and doing some hammering. The children are all very eager and motivated and have enjoyed completing super Maths Challenges to show their learning of comparing and ordering numbers within 10. We are very proud of how hard all the children work every day and look forward to lots more fun next term. Well done Orange Class 😊



Throughout this last half term, Year 2 have been learning about the weather and the seasons. We have enjoyed learning about why we have different seasons and how types of weather are created. We loved learning about Traditional Tales in our writing lessons. We became a character from the story and got to ask them questions about how they were feeling. Yellow Class enjoyed having our Parent Workshop where they were able to show off some of their Traditional Tale knowledge. In PSHE we have been learning about rules and democracy. We used what we had learned to vote for our Class Ambassadors.



What a fantastic start to Year 3 we have had! I have been so proud of how well the children have returned to school this term, ready and excited to learn.

We started two new topics – The Ancient Egyptians and Rivers! Through this, we have been enjoying learning about the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb in the Valley of the Kings as well as following the journey of the River Indus. In maths, children have been working hard to secure their knowledge of place value with numbers up to 1 thousand, as well as addition, subtraction and arithmetic skills. In RE, we have been learning about the Creation story from the Bible and talking about how we can look after the Earth. In PE, children have been developing various skills in the context of team work and invasion games. There have been some fantastic, respectful conversations in class about what is going on in our world at the moment following some major changes, such as the death of our Queen and changes in parliament. I become prouder each and every day of what kind, caring and understanding children we have here at Newborough.

As ever, thank you for your continued support – I am looking forward to seeing you all at parents evening in the new half term!

Blue class have welcomed the return of Forest School this term. We have enjoyed making obstacle courses for our friends to try out, making leaf pictures and lighting a fire to boil water in order to make hot chocolate. It was yummy!

In History, we have been learning about the Roman Republic. We have found out about the first King of Rome who was called Romulus who killed his brother Remus. Albie commented 'We have been learning about Tarquin the Proud who was really terrible! Then Brutus tried to kick him out and he was successful.'

In English, we have been working on persuasive writing. Joseph said that 'we wrote a letter to Mrs Marrs to get rid of homework. I don't think it worked!' We found out about rhetorical questions and exaggeration and used them when we produced some excellent persuasive holiday leaflets.

In Year 4, we are reading The Sheep-pig by Dick King-Smith. Thomas remarked 'It's really good, it has a good storyline about a pig called Babe who behaves like a sheep dog. I would recommend it if you like emotional, funny, interesting books.'



This half term in Guided Reading we have been reading Floodland. It is really enjoyable and tells the story of Zoe who finds herself stranded in Norwich after flooding. This has linked to our Geography topic of Coastal Processes and Landforms and our persuasive writing about pollution in England. In Maths, we have completed our place value unit and moved on to addition and subtraction.

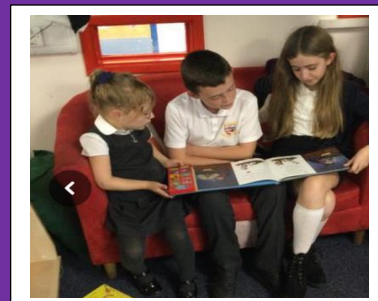
Also this term, we have learnt about the Roman invasions of Britain. We particularly enjoyed learning about Boudicca and the warrior Caratacus. In Science we have learnt about Forces and conducted investigations into friction and gravity. In PE, we have been working on our team working skills. This term, the Year 5 girls joined the Year 6 girls and Miss Barnes-Ford in training for a girls football watch – watch this space for fixture dates! One of the highlights of this half term was visiting church for our annual Harvest Festival. Thank you so much for your generous donations!

This term has been all things Amazon! The children have researched and written non-chronological reports in English and completed Geography work – including a video presentation about deforestation.

We have thoroughly enjoyed getting practical in science and have investigated changes in circuits such as increasing voltage and using different components. The children have become experts at drawing circuit diagrams using scientific symbols.

In RE the children have been thoughtful and respectful when learning about the Five Pillars of Islam and considered how Muslims' worship effects their lives. It has also been great fun watching the class solve a variety of problems in PE. They have worked well in teams and communicated effectively.

One of the highlights of this half term has been 'Reading Buddies'. The children have been fantastic with their reception friends with much sticker giving! They've definitely revealed their nurturing sides.



Parents/Carers are invited to attend a **Parent Forum Meeting on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 2.30pm.** Your ideas and opinions are important to us – please join us to share them.