



Forde Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 1st December 2023



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Class	Weekly Attendance
Forde	94%
Courtenay	93%
Templar	91%

This week's whole school attendance: 92.5%
Last week's whole school attendance: 92.1%

RAG Rating		98% and above
		96.1%- 97.9%
		96% and below

Our whole school attendance target is 96%

Home Learning

Please read 4x a week.

Please see your child's Home Learning book which comes home every **Friday**

Dear Parents and carers,

This week has been another busy one, with the children continuing to work hard on perfecting their performances in the Nativity. Thank you for all your support with learning lines at home – we are so looking forward to sharing it with you on Thursday 14th December at 1.45pm in St Pauls Church.

Maths learning this week has been focused around Shape. Children have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes and how to count corners (vertices) and sides to identify a shape.

Our work on handwriting has continued and we have seen a huge improvement in the children's presentation in their books. Mastering a

Star of the Week:

Hunter – for persevering with his handwriting skills.

fluent handwriting style will enable children to focus on what they are writing rather than the formation of their letters.

Next week we have a whole school trip to the cinema which the children are very excited about! On Tuesday please make sure your child comes to school in comfortable shoes and has a waterproof coat. On Wednesday it is Christmas Jumper day and your child will have their Christmas dinner. From 2.45 we will then be holding our Christmas Fayre. Busy busy!

Have a great weekend,

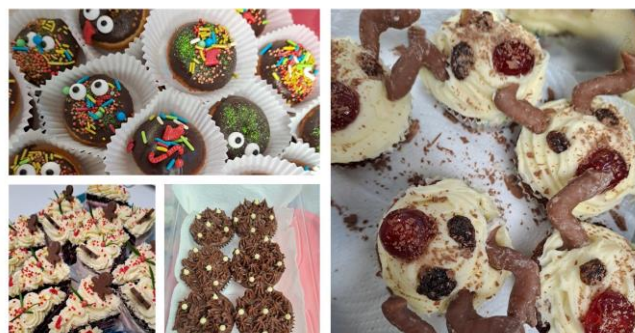
Mrs Perry-Bates and Miss Rippon

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

We Believe.....

We are stronger together....

This week's bake sale triumphed as a standalone success, but its impact extends far beyond. Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of our school community, we've not only achieved great results in this event but also contributed significantly to a series of successful fundraisers. The effort has allowed us to raise a fantastic amount of money, empowering us to provide enhanced opportunities for our children. We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone involved in making these initiatives a resounding success in particular our PTA who have been such a support this term.



We all belong in our School Trust....

At All Saints Marsh, cultivating positive learning behaviours is integral to us. Regular attendance and punctuality are key contributors to a thriving learning environment, ensuring our children not only benefit academically but also socially. High attendance fosters a sense of community and shared experiences, enriching the overall school atmosphere and arriving on time sets a positive tone for the day. I am always available for discussions to address any concerns or explore strategies for improving attendance that you may have so please reach out. Together, we aim to create a supportive and engaging school environment where every student can flourish at All Saints Marsh.

In removing barriers for all....

This week all staff members have received training on the use of Makaton, a communication approach which involves the use of words and signs. The benefits of a total communication approach are evident as it caters to diverse learning styles and abilities, promoting a more inclusive educational environment. The use of Makaton not only facilitates communication for children with specific needs but also enhances overall understanding and engagement for every student in our diverse community. Look out for our staff using the signs on the gate and as part of welcoming our children. The children have enjoyed learning the signs for 'we wish you a merry Christmas' which can be found on YouTube.

In realising the possible so that all children can flourish....

The visit of Templer class to Newton Abbot College Christmas production was such an enriching experience for our children. Beyond the sheer joy of witnessing an amazing performance, the trip opened windows to exciting opportunities. The secondary school setting exposed them to an environment brimming with possibilities and aspirations. The children loved the vibrant atmosphere and the potential awaiting them in the future. The discussion around how brilliant the trip was and the individual take aways were a joy to listen to.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

4th December - Templar Lantern Workshop at the Avenue Church
5th December - PTFA Whole School Cinema Visit - Arthur Christmas
6th December - School Christmas Meal and PTFA Xmas Fayre
13th December - Lantern Parade - Newton Abbot Town Centre
14th December - Nativity at St Pauls' Church 1.45 and PTFA Christmas Disco

FAMILY SUPPORT

Household Support Fund

The Household Support Fund is still available for families on low incomes to help with food and utility costs. They are however only accepting applications from families who have not previously applied. If you think you are eligible please speak to Mrs Webber.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Newton Abbot Parishes

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Join the Song

Sat 9 Dec 4pm Pop-up Nativity Abbotsbury Church
Sun 10 Dec 6:30pm Carols by Candlelight All Saints Highweek
Sat 16 Dec 4pm Contemporary Carols Abbotsbury Church
Sunday 17 December
 6:30pm Carols by Candlelight St Bartholomew's Ogwell
 6:30pm Carols by Candlelight St Mary's Wolborough

Christmas Eve: Sunday 24 December
 4pm Christingle Service St Bartholomew's Ogwell
 4pm Christingle Service St Paul's, Devon Square
 11pm Carols + Communion St Bartholomew's Ogwell
 11pm Carols + Communion St Paul's, Devon Square

Christmas Day: Monday 25 December
 8:30am Said Holy Communion St Mary's Wolborough
 9:30am Christmas Day Family Communion Abbotsbury Church
 (more contemporary)
 10:30am Christmas Day Family Communion All Saints Highweek
 (more traditional)

  THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

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NEWTON ABBOT TOWN COUNCIL

christmas EVENTS 2023

FREE PARKING! in selected car parks

DECEMBER 06 WEDNESDAY Victorian Evening with themed charity market PLUS late night shopping until 8pm

DECEMBER 09 SATURDAY Lantern Parade Public Workshop at the Avenue Church and Dog friendly Carol Service in Wolborough Street at 12pm

Plus... Santa on his Sleigh on late night Wednesdays and Fireside Selfies in the Clock Tower on Wednesday evenings and December Saturdays!

DECEMBER 13 WEDNESDAY Lantern Parade from Bearnas School at 6.30pm PLUS late night shopping until 8pm

DECEMBER 20 WEDNESDAY Mayor's Xmas Carols 6.30pm at St Leonard's Clock Tower PLUS late night shopping until 8pm


Please note, all events are subject to change without notice, and may be cancelled. All information is correct at the time of printing.

 Scan here or check our social media for all the latest news on events!  

NO LIMITS COMMUNITY CAFE & HUB

For more information about what is on offer at the No Limits Café please visit[No Limits Supported Enterprise \(baluu.co.uk\)](http://NoLimitsSupportedEnterprise(baluu.co.uk))

Our events



- Christmas Shadow Box Workshop**
Newton Abbot
£35pp
- Festive Wooden Bunting Workshop-no ...**
Newton Abbot
£35pp
- Christmas Decorations Workshop**
Newton Abbot
£35pp
- Christmas Santa Sack OR Festive Tot...**
Newton Abbot
£35pp

Warm Bank @ Newton's Place

Open space, ideal for writers and makers!

All Welcome!

Every Friday, 1pm - 3pm
From 11th November - 16th December
Newton's Place, Wolborough St,
Newton Abbot TQ12 1JQ

**Keep warm, have a chat
and a free cuppa, and
be creative!**



Newton Abbot

Victorian Evening

& late night shopping, 5pm - 8pm

Wednesday 6th December



*A Victorian themed charity market event
with free children's entertainment and a
charity raffle in Market Square*

PLUS Live Music
Walkabout Acts
Street food in Courtenay Street
Father Christmas in Wolborough Street



Entertainment & events are subject to change at short notice and many events are weather dependent

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Devon TOBRAY COUNCIL

Help us decorate our tree

Join us at Newton Abbot Library on Saturday 2nd December and help us decorate our library Christmas tree. We have a range of tree ornaments waiting to be decorated in the most colourful and festive way.

Add another personal touch and tell us what it is you love about the Library and include it in your festive design.

This event will take place between 10am-1pm with no need to book in advance, all are welcome to take part in our Christmassy crafting session.

50p donation to our charity if you are wanting to take home your tree decoration. You are also welcome to hang your ornament on our library tree free of charge.

WELCOME TO A

Christmas Market

A large variety of stalls • Live Music from The Suspicious Anteaters • Food

SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER 1-4PM

COOMBESHEAD ACADEMY LARGE SPORTS HALL, NEWTON ABBOT

FREE ENTRY AND PARKING
RAFFLE AVAILABLE

Organised by Darcy Smith and Lisa Maddison

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STORY TIME & CRAFTS

FREE EVENT!
NO BOOKING NECESSARY

You Can't take an Elephant on the Bus
Illustrated by David Paterson

THEMED CRAFTS & COLOURING SHEETS

SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER, 10.30AM
AT NEWTON ABBOT LIBRARY

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 16th December
Newton Abbot Library
9am-4pm

Including **ROCK CHOIR** performing at 11am!

Join us for a day of Christmas crafts and music

Stock up on presents or treat yourself to something unique & handmade!

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