



## Forde Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024



**'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'**

### Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Class	Weekly Attendance
Forde	97% Well done!
Courtenay	96%
Templar	93%

This week's whole school attendance: 95.6%

Last week's whole school attendance: 97.1%

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,

A fun week this week in Forde Class as we continue our learning on Plants and Growing. The children in Reception have been really busy planting seeds with Mrs Regan and Miss Rippon. They are excited to see their seeds grow into plants and flowers!

Year 1 and Year 2 have been using magnifying glasses in Science this week to look really closely at parts of plants. They were able to make observational drawings of the parts of the plants that they had and see things that they may have missed at first glance!

**Star of the Week –**  
Arya – For always showing

In History, Year 1 and Year 2 looked at Rosa Parks and the part she played in the Civil Rights movement. We have been talking about equality

compassion to her friends.

and how Rosa Parks initiated change in the USA when she refused to stand up on the bus.

In Art this half term we are looking at Wassily Kandinsky and have been inspired by his use of shade and brush strokes. This week we tried making shapes with different sized brushes to see how this affects our precision.

In Maths, Year 1 and Year 2 have continued their work on Fractions. They have shown good understanding of this subject and Year 2 children have been introduced to the concept of  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

Year 1 and Year 2 children had so much fun at the Cricket Festival on Wednesday. They learnt lots of new skills and practised their throwing, catching and batting. They all walked so sensibly over to the Rec and did All Saints Marsh proud with their fantastic behaviour. Luckily the weather stayed dry for us and we even saw some sunshine! Check Seesaw for the pictures from the day.

Also on Seesaw are links to games we have played in class with the children this week. These games are not homework but they are based around the learning we are doing in class and children have really engaged with them. Please also regularly check Seesaw for links to Phonics videos linked to the sounds your child is learning in their groups.

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes,

Mrs Perry-Bates and Miss Rippon

### MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

#### **We Believe.....**

#### **We are stronger together**

As we commemorate Earth Day in this week's worship, we've been reflecting on the role our school community plays in caring for our planet. It was wonderful to see our youngest children in Forde talk about recycling after completing activities in class. Encouraging our children to take an active role in making our school more eco-friendly is key to fostering a sense of responsibility towards the environment and this will be the role of the Eco Rangers. We eagerly anticipate seeing the innovative ideas and initiatives they'll propose to enhance sustainability within our school.

### **We all belong in our School Trust**

Last Friday every child in the school had the opportunity to participate in a Martial Arts session, and the enthusiasm and enjoyment were palpable. From learning new techniques to experiencing the discipline and focus of martial arts, the children were captivated throughout the day. It was a fantastic opportunity for them to engage both physically and mentally while learning valuable skills. We're grateful for the instructor's expertise and dedication in making this day such a memorable and enriching experience for our children.

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

Wednesday's Cricket Engagement Day was a resounding success! It was truly wonderful to witness the enthusiasm and excitement of the children as they participated in various cricket activities. Seeing them embrace the spirit of the game and enjoy themselves so thoroughly was incredibly heartening. We are fortunate to be within walking distance of this high-quality sports facility and through use of the tennis club are looking forward to creating more opportunities for our children.

### **After School Clubs**

KS2 Football club starts on the 18<sup>th</sup> April – 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Please sign up via MCAS

KS1 Cooking Club starts on 17<sup>th</sup> April – 8<sup>th</sup> May. Please sign up via MCAS. If full up you will be added to a waiting list.

KS2 tennis club starts on 11.6.24 and is subsidised by the Academy. Please sign up via MCAS / Clubs.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024**

30.4.24 Maths Challenge Day – Year 5

23.5.24 PTFA Courtenay Bake Sale

24.5.24 National Child Measurements (R and Yr 6)

27.5.24 – 7.6.24 Half Term and Non Pupils Days

14.6.24 PTFA Parent / Carer Craft Day

20.6.24 PTFA Templar Bake Sale

27.6.24 Sports Day / PFA Summer Fete

11.7.24 Sports Day / PTFA Summer Fete (Reserve date)

22.7.24 Leavers Assembly at St Paul's

24.7.24 End of Term

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Ready Player Read is Newton Abbot Library's brand new reading challenge for adults! Pop in and see a staff member to sign up for the challenge, and collect your free reading passport. You'll also get a voucher for a free book reservation to help you get started!

Ready Player Read is packed full of 16 prompts to help you pick up something a little different from the shelves, and encourage you to do one of our favourite things - read!

That's not all! Read just 10 prompts before the end of the year to be entered into our prize draw for a chance to win a book bundle.



Ready Player Read  
Libraries Unlimited  
Reading Challenge

**Sign up today!**

**A brand new reading challenge for adults!**

The poster features a woman with glasses reading a purple book, framed by a torn paper effect. The background is blue with a green abstract shape.



LAUNCHING TODAY!

IN CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL GARDENING WEEK

NEWTON ABBOT LIBRARY

**NEWTON SEED LIBRARY**

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The poster is decorated with green leaves, a central plant with orange and red flowers, and a row of colorful flowers (yellow, blue, white, pink) at the bottom.

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# Tiny Matchbox Tales

With Participate Arts

THU 09 MAY  
16.00 – 18.00  
Kingskerswell Library - £3  
Suitable for ages 5 -11



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# CALLING ALL CREATIVES


GET INVOLVED IN OUR SUMMER READING CHALLENGE EVENTS THIS YEAR!

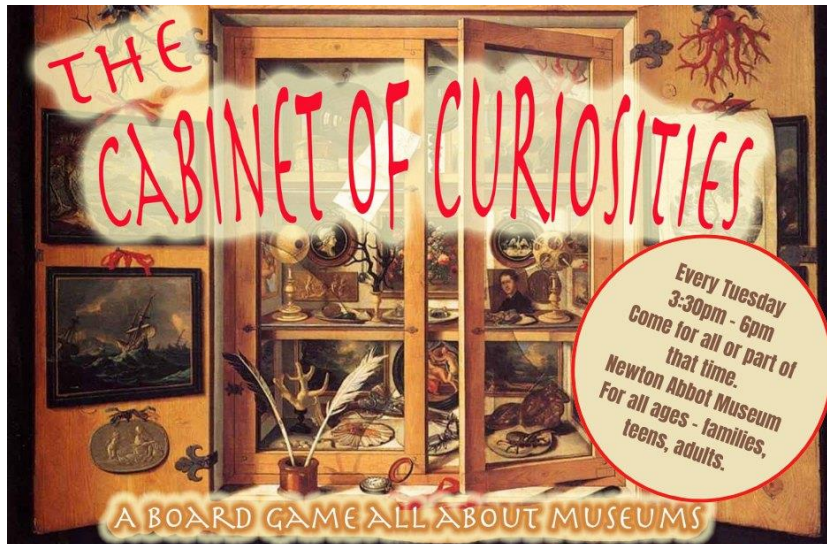
The theme this year is **Marvellous Makers**

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Every Tuesday  
3:30pm - 6pm  
Come for all or part of  
that time.  
Newton Abbot Museum  
For all ages - families,  
teens, adults.

Help the museum invent a brand new board game.  
During sessions we will play games, talk about  
board games, explore the mechanics of how games  
work, and then we will invent a table top adventure  
about collecting and museums!

★ **FREE** ★  
Drop-in sessions  
(& free biscuits - yayyyy)

## 100 YEARS OF THE HIGH STREET

### NEWTON ABBOT MUSEUM WANTS TO DISPLAY YOUR OBJECTS

WE ARE LOOKING FOR OBJECTS RELATED TO NEWTON ABBOT  
SHOPS OVER THE LAST 100 YEARS TO GO IN OUR EXHIBITION.

IF YOU HAVE AN OBJECT YOU WOULD LIKE TO LOAN US  
FOR THE SUMMER, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH

*What kind of things do we want?  
Anything with the shops' branding, such as uniforms or tools,  
or anything that tells the story of the shop.*

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# Toddler Tuesdays



Weekly FREE

sessions

for 0-4 years

(Term Times Only)

Please pre-book on our  
website

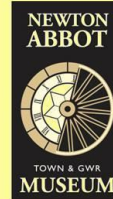
Story Time

Play

Rhyme Time

Sing-Along

Craft activities once a month



Every Tuesday 9.30am-10:30am