

## Newtown Church of England Primary School



**Growing together  
in strength, love and wisdom,  
we shine.**

**Newsletter  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

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### Message from the Head

Welcome back to school – I hope you had a restful break with the children.

It's been a wonderful week at school, filled with energy and creativity. The inspiring teaching has created a vibrant atmosphere where children are thriving and engaged in their learning.

A particular highlight was witnessing the children fully immersed in their new literacy texts—both visually and audibly!

At one point, a class was enthusiastically tracking animal footprints around the school grounds. Another class was huddled in a darkened classroom, piecing together the meaning behind mysterious artifacts. Meanwhile, a third class was on a clue-hunting mission, trying to unravel the story they were about to read.

The atmosphere was buzzing with curiosity and engagement.

### Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is anti-bullying week and one of our Charity Ministers, Jacob, has come up with the idea for everyone to wear odd socks on Monday to mark the start of the week!! Therefore, everyone is invited to wear odd socks on Monday!



### Firefighter Visit

This week, Mrs Riley organised for a special visit from a local firefighter, who came to school to talk about fire safety in the home and how to stay safe in an emergency.

The session was both engaging and informative. Children learned about the importance of having working smoke alarms, planning escape routes with their families, and what to do if they ever hear a fire alarm. The firefighter also explained how to make safe choices around matches, candles, and electrical appliances.

Pupils were fascinated by the real-life stories shared and asked thoughtful questions about the role of firefighters and how they help keep our communities safe.



The 'fireman' on the left is our resident model, Mr Tinsley!

### After-School Clubs

We will no longer be asking for parents to make block bookings for certain clubs, instead, children will be able to join every club on an ad hoc basis. Clubs next half term will be as follows:

Monday - KS2 Football and Board Games  
Tuesday - Cookery and Remote-Control Cars  
Wednesday - Hockey and Construction  
Thursday - Forest Schools and Art & Craft  
Friday - Bench Ball and Film/quiz night

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### Forest School Kit Reminder

As the weather turns colder and wetter, we kindly remind parents to ensure children come to school with appropriate Forest School kit on their designated days.

Children should bring:

- Waterproof jacket and trousers
- Wellington boots
- Warm layers (including hats and gloves)
- Clothing that can get muddy and messy

Unfortunately, some children have recently arrived without suitable clothing, which may mean they are unable to take part in outdoor learning. Forest School is a valuable part of our curriculum, and we want every child to enjoy it safely and comfortably.

Thank you for your support in helping us make the most of our brilliant outdoor opportunities!

### Forest School During Autumn 2

Dates for next half term are as follows:

10/11/2025 - Kestrel Class  
17/11/2025 - Falcon Class  
24/11/2025 - Hawk Class  
01/12/2025 - Kestrel Class  
08/12/2025 - Falcon Class



### Christmas 2025 at Newtown Reminder 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Festive Late-Night Shopping Childcare 5:00pm – 7:30pm £5 per child

We know how busy this time of year can be, so we are looking at offering an evening of childcare to give you the chance to enjoy some late-night Christmas shopping.

The children are welcome to come in/bring pyjamas and watch a Christmas film with maybe a Christmas game or two as well as a free hot dog while you get some stress-free shopping time! Further information to follow after half term.

### 16<sup>th</sup> December – EYFS and KS1 Nativity – 3pm

Owl Class and Hawk Class will join together in a performance of the Big Little Nativity.

### 17<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Outdoor Nativity – 5pm

For our older children, the Christmas story will be retold in a truly magical way. The Greatest Story Ever Told... is an immersive outdoor experience where parents will encounter scenes from the nativity ending in a Christmas Camp Fire Sing-along.

### 19<sup>th</sup> December – End of Term Service – 2pm

The whole school will join together as we end the term in church with our traditional Christmas Service.

### Music Squad Launch – Join the Joy!

The children have enjoyed workshops and a Music Squad assembly over recent weeks!

We have had some in interest but not quite enough to get things started...

We are aware that the QR code hasn't worked properly for some children so to register, you can visit [www.musicsquad.co.uk](http://www.musicsquad.co.uk) and click "Register now" under the Shropshire branch.



### Weekly Attendance

#### Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow...

Owl Class – 90%

Hawk Class - 97% ★★★★★

Kestrel Class - 93% ★★

Falcon Class - 96% ★★

Average – 94%

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### Values Awards

*as chosen by our values ambassadors  
Harriet, Marni and Mercedes.*

#### Strength

Jude for great perseverance.

#### Love

Amelia for being kind to younger children in school.

#### Wisdom

Teddy for trying hard and answering questions.



### Shining Stars of The Week!

#### Owl Class

Noah for fantastic listening.

#### Hawk Class

Joshua for great teamwork.

#### Kestrel Class

Theodore for amazing maths.

#### Falcon Class

Trevor for trying hard in all areas of his learning.



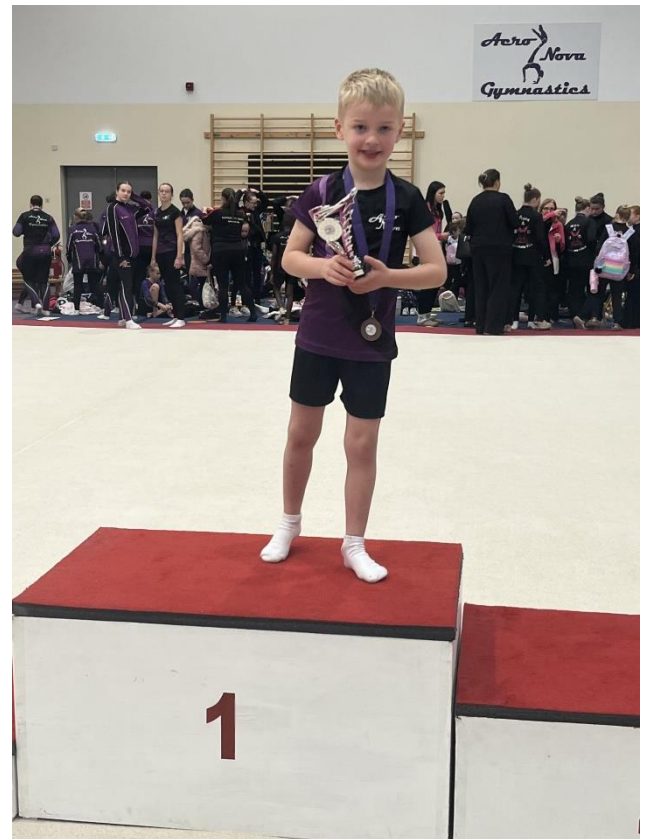
### Outside Achievements

Congratulations to Olly W for being named  
'Player of the Week'!

Ezra joined a gymnastics club just eight weeks ago and was quickly selected for the squad group. After only two and a half weeks of practice, he and his partner performed a two-minute routine at their first competition, held in front of hundreds of spectators.

They earned a bronze award and were also given the Judges' Award for the energy and enjoyment they brought to their performance.

Well done, Ezra – the Olympics beckons!



### Headteacher's Award

This week it goes to Esme for winning our lunchtime darts match and Myles for being a super scorer!

One hundred and eiggghhhhttttyyyyy!



Have a wonderful weekend!

Yours sincerely, Mr Crompton.

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### Key School Dates

#### November

11 <sup>th</sup> November	Armistice Day
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Opening Evening 5pm – 6pm
20 <sup>th</sup> November	Sponsored Bounce

#### December

1 <sup>st</sup> December	Dress Down Day
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Christmas Shopping Night 5:00pm – 7:30pm
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Shop
16 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS and KS1 Nativity 3:00pm at church
17 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Outdoor Nativity 5:00pm at church
19 <sup>th</sup> December	End of Term Christmas Service 2:00pm at church

#### January

8 <sup>th</sup> January	Cinderella Pantomime
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school and learning"*

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