

SCHOOL MATTERS

THE FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER FROM NEWTON POPPLEFORD SCHOOL

Friday 16th June 2023

[A Message From Mr Pope](#)

Dear Parents/ Carers,

During this week, the school received an audit from the Devon Safeguarding team. I think it is extremely important we face regular scrutiny over this vital part of our school life & community. This is especially true in light of recent National press and the changes to school inspection around Ofsted's approach. Educating the children in staying safe is central to this but it is also myriad of other things including staff culture, record keeping, training, recruitment, online safety and security, and pupil voice are just some of the areas covered. The school's approach and provision came out of this audit very favourably and the actions we take as staff were positively appraised. I would also like to thank our governors and particularly our safeguarding governor, Teri Murphy whose knowledge, time and commitment were really clear. I can with assurance say that children at Newton Popleford School are safe and well cared for.

There are some staffing and recruitment updates I would like to share that effect next year. I know many parents would like to know which teacher will be taking which year group next year. This will be announced after the teacher vacancy the school is currently advertising for is filled. This is likely to be in the week beginning the 3rd of July. The reason for this is to give the school as much flexibility as we can in the recruitment of a new member of our teaching staff. We want to reassure parents as we have had a number of applicants for the role and I have and will be conducting numerous tours of our site for possible candidates. There have also been some recent leadership structure changes in the school and Kirsty Singfield is now no longer a member of the senior leadership team. I would like to thank her for her contributions to this point.

Our reading raffle for Accelerated Reader has launched this term and we will be sharing some more details of that with you shortly. Simply put, the children who have read the most (at their individualised attainment level) will have the most chance of being successful in the raffle to win the prizes of a book token or Amazon voucher. We have also started our 'attendanceopoly' weekly game that gives the best attending classes the opportunity for some golden time and a prize.

I also wanted to inform you that we have now set a date for reports to come out to you. They will be in a slightly different format than before and your children will be assessed across the curriculum beyond English and Maths as well as the usual comments. These will come to you on the 14th of July.

Finally, as a school, we are looking at sustainability across our curriculum. The sustainable development goals are a really important part of this and help frame our conversations with the children and we are looking at them in our assemblies. You can find them here:

For older children:

<https://www.unicef.org/media/60221/file/TWWW-A4-Single-Page-LowRes-English.pdf>

For younger children:

<https://worldlargestlesson.globalgoals.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Activity-Pack-Parents.pdf>

I hope you continue to enjoy the sunshine and we look forward to seeing all the children next week.

Best Wishes,

Mr A Pope

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For any Twilight after school club matters, please phone the main school number.

Reception Pirate Day

Reception have had a great day dressing up as pirates to go with their seaside topic. They hosted a pirate party for their dads in Adventure Island for Father's Day, toasting marshmallows and singing and playing games.



Adventure Island

Lot's has been going on in Adventure Island over the past two weeks and we are certainly enjoying the shady areas! Highlights include Year 1 & 2 building upon their knowledge of trees and their leaves by having a go at the Japanese art of Hapa Zome. This involves using a hammer to bash leaves underneath a piece of cotton to create a print, very noisy but great fun!

We were keen to offer a cool activity during this heat and Nordic slinging proved to be very popular without KS2 children. This is a great activity that requires plenty of cooperation and results in a brilliant friendship bracelet for each slinger!

Those children that didn't get a turn will have the opportunity to make one in a session soon.



Year 5 Bike Ability

Last week Year 5 took part in Bike Ability. Bike Ability is the Governments national cycle training programme. It helps to teach children & young people understand



PTFA Update

Easter Eggstravaganza update: This event raised a brilliant £560 for the PTFA! Thank you so much to everyone who helped plan and run it, and thank you to everyone who came and supported this event, it was immensely chocolatey fun!

Upcoming PTFA Events

Newton Pop School PTFA
SUMMER FETE 7th July
In School Grounds
Grand Summer Raffle!
Prize list here: 
3:20 til 5:20
BBQ & Bar!
Maypole display & Children's parade!
Games, stalls, bouncy castle, face painting!
Free entry - see you there!

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Newton Pop School PTFA
FREEZY FRIDAYS!
Ice pops for sale in the playground after school every Friday!


THIS HALF TERM
16th June - Freezy Friday
23rd June - Freezy Friday
30th June - Freezy Friday
7th July - Summer Fete
14th July - Freezy Friday
21st July - Ice Cream Van

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PTFA Summer Fete 2023!



Friday 7th July 2023

3:20-5:20pm in the school playground

It's here people... the jewel in the PTFA's fundraising crown!

...And we need YOU to make it happen!

PLEASE...

Help us sell the attached RAFFLE TICKETS, this year's prizes are incredible! Please return your completed ticket stubs and money to the school office by the morning of the fete. More tickets available from the school office if you run out! Use the QR code link to see the prize list (yes, we are that hi-tech now...)



Please bring in your great condition preloved SOFT TOY donations for the teddy tombola. Any time, to the school office.

Please bring in your filled JARS for the jar tombola (an empty jam jar, filled with anything you like; sweets, toys, hairbands, stationery... anything goes!) Drop off any time to the school office.



Remember, it's NON-UNIFORM DAY on Friday 8th July, in exchange, please bring a bottle for the tombola!

VOLUNTEER to help, your class reps are recruiting so have a chat with them (you never know, you might even enjoy it!?)



PTFA Grand Summer Draw 2023

Newton Poppleford School PTFA

Grand Summer Draw 2023

Summer Fete ~ 3:30-5:30pm ~ 7 July ~ School Grounds

Prize List

Oliver Joseph Fitness - Six months membership & six PT sessions
Jo White Travel Consultant - £100 Travel voucher
£50 cash prize - Sponsored by Clare Veness Legal
Water Babies - Four lessons
Sidmouth Fit - Five group classes & three PT sessions
Jurassic Paddle Sports- Voucher
Pole Control- Pole fitness session for two
East Devon Garage- 12 months MOT
Lindsay Bowden, qualified Nanny - Evening of babysitting
The Scruffy Paw Dog Grooming- Voucher
Ralph and Co Solicitors- Bottle of whiskey
Lucy Davies Photography- Voucher
Ralph & Co - Will writing for two
DJG Cleaning Services - Classic valet & Gutter/window clean
Kings Garden Centre - £10 voucher
Sidmouth Pets-Voucher
Usborne Books- Selection of books



Looby's Kitchen - £50 voucher
Harry's Restaurant-£50 voucher
Southern Cross - Cream tea voucher
Otterton Mill - Cream tea voucher
Jack in the Green - Cookbook
Pizza Butler - voucher
Pizza Papi- voucher
Titley Green- Salted caramel brownies
Taste of Sidmouth- Ice Cream Voucher
The Otter Inn-Voucher
Rickshaw Express- Set Menu A voucher
Dolce Vita- Voucher

PTFA Grand Summer Draw 2023



NP Beauty Box - Voucher
Pebblebrook Clinic - £50 voucher
Carly Rollason - Hair products
Vee's Beauty Hub - Eyebrow wax and tint
Country Styles - £20 voucher
The Edit.Clinic- Eyebrow Lamination Voucher
Pride Hair Salon - Voucher
Serenity Beauty-Voucher



Yarak Birds of Prey - Day experience for two
Sidmouth Toy Museum - Two tickets
Seaton Tramway - Ride for two
Something Lovely Pottery Painting - voucher
LED Sidmouth - Family swimming voucher
Football Factory -Holiday club voucher
The Outdoors Group - Forest School holiday club voucher
Exeter City Community Trust- Voucher



Thank you to all our amazing prize donors!

For tickets please contact the school or [email the PTFA](#)

To be drawn at the Summer Fete on 7 July 2023.
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Check back for updates!!

<https://tinyurl.com/4cmacse3>



Childhood Vaccinations

Starting or returning to school is an exciting time for all children. As they will be mixing with lots of other children, making sure they are up to date with their routine immunisations gives them the best protection from what can be very harmful infections. A list of the vaccinations your child should have had, by age, is available via this link [NHS vaccinations and when to have them - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations)

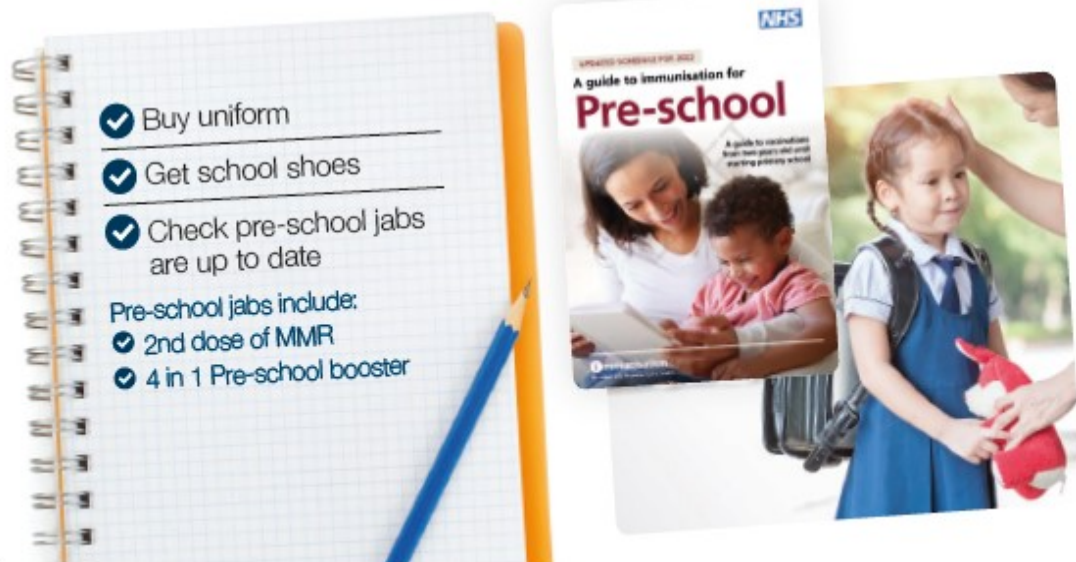
If you are not sure if your child has had all of their vaccinations, please check their personal health record (the red book) and if you have any questions, contact your child's doctors surgery. If you have any concerns about the vaccinations, you may wish to read about the benefits of vaccination and possible risks to your child if they were to catch these diseases. Helpful information is available from the NHS online: <https://www.nhs.uk/> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iD_sPz9HkD8 <https://www.nhs.uk/>



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Starting a new school?

Your child will be learning and playing with more children when they start their new school and could be at risk of catching preventable diseases if they haven't had all their childhood jabs.



If you are not sure if your child has had all their routine vaccinations, check their personal health record (Red Book) or contact the GP surgery. To get the best protection for your child, they need to have had two doses of MMR vaccine. For a checklist of the vaccines and the ages at which they should ideally be given visit:

www.nhs.uk/vaccinations

MMR for all leaflet



qrco.de/MMRFORALL

Preschool immunisations



qrco.de/PreSchool

Dates for Your Diary Up to Half-Term

Monday 19th June:	Homophobia talk Year 5 and 6
Wednesday 21st June:	Pre School Open Day Reception New Starters Taster Session
Thursday 22nd June:	Year 5 Transition Food Workshop
Friday 23rd June:	Swimming Year 2 (3 of 5)
Monday 26th June:	Year 4 Trip MyBNK financial PSHE Y5 & 6
Monday 26th June –Friday 30th June:	School Diversity Week
Thursday 29th June:	Sports Day
Friday 30th June:	School Photo's Swimming Year 2 (4 of 5)
Monday 3rd July:	Year 2 & Year 4 Trip Care Café
Tuesday 4th July:	Whole School Transition Day Menu Change (Roast Dinner) Reception New Starters Taster Session & Parent Lunch
Wednesday 5th July:	Budleigh Music Festival Reception Trip & Year 4 Trip
Friday 7th July:	PTFA Summer Fete Swimming Year 2 (5 of 5)
Wednesday 19th July:	Year 6 School Play
Friday 21st July:	Last Day Of Term
Wednesday 6th September:	First Day Back For Pupils