

Newsletter – 7th January 2022



**Newland
St John's**
CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

*Living Together,
Learning Together
and Shining Together
in the Love of God.*

What is coming up ...

- Thu 13th Jan – Swimming lessons for Year 4 start ***POSTPONED*** please see below for more information
- Fri 21st Jan – Archbishop Of York visiting our school
- Fri 18th Feb – School closes for Half Term

Happy New Year

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed some fun family times! It has been great to hear from the children about the fantastic things that they have done over the festive holiday.



Reading Volunteers



We would like to have volunteers in school to help support the children with reading. Ms Wilson already has a few people signed up but if you think you could spare some time every week, and you think you could help us with this, then please contact the school office – we are always keen to get more children reading! We will ensure all volunteers feel confident with new phonics and systems so please do not be worried about joining us for this important role within our school!

PE

Please ensure your child has a suitable PE kit for the current season. The children have at least one PE lesson outside a week and therefore they need to wear black tracksuit bottoms and a black tracksuit top to stay warm when they are outside. Thank you



Swimming Lessons



Due to unforeseen circumstances the swimming lessons for Year 4 have had to be postponed until the summer term. We are disappointed that it cannot go ahead as planned but pleased that it can still happen in this school year. The Otters class will also be taking their swimming lessons in the summer term too. We will inform you of actual dates and further details nearer the time.

Timings:

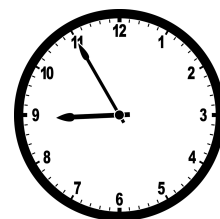
Just a reminder of the timings for the start of the school day:

Doors open at **08:45** – children can come into their classrooms from this time.

Children should be in their classrooms by **08:55** – ready to learn.

Pupils arriving **after 09:00** will receive a late mark in the register.

All doors into the building and the gates onto the playground close at **09:00**



Christmas Decorations

If you have any old Christmas decorations/trees that you will not be using next year – we would be grateful for them in school. Next year we would like to have a Christmas tree festival so the more trees and decorations the better! If you do have anything that you do not want anymore but could be useful at school, then please bring it to the main office. Thank you!

Free School Meals

Since September 2014, all children who are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in a state-funded school are offered a free, healthy school lunch. Although they receive a free school meal, this does not automatically qualify them for pupil premium funding. Children will qualify for pupil premium funding, including a free school meal in other year groups, if their parent is in receipt of eligible benefits. If you feel you may be eligible for free school meals, you can apply via the Hull City Council website and it only takes a couple of minutes: [Free school meals | Hull City Council](#)



The cost of a school meal for children in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 who are not entitled to free school meals is £1.50 a day.

Please speak to a member of the Admin team if you need any support with making an application.

School Admissions – Consultation

Our school is currently in consultation over the arrangements for the Admissions Policy for 2023 – 2024, following new statutory guidance. The full details of this can be found at: <https://nsj.hslt.academy/admissions/>

In addition, Archbishop Sentamu Academy are also consulting on their Admissions arrangements, full details are available here: <https://asa.hslt.academy/admissions/>

Should you have any comments regarding these Admission arrangements, the email address to send your comments to can be found on the links above.

Safeguarding

Our Safeguarding & Child Protection Leader is Mrs Amanda Devaney. The Deputy Safeguarding & Child Protection Leader is Mr Neil Kenningham.

What to do if you have a concern about a child: During School Hours:

- Contact the school and speak to either Mrs Devaney, or Mr Kenningham via the main office on 01482 305740.
- Contact the Access and Assessment team for Hull on 01482 448879

Out of school hours and during school holidays:

- If your concern is urgent and there is an immediate risk of harm, then contact the police via 999
- If your concern is less urgent but you are worried about the welfare of the child then contact Children's Social Care, Access and assessment team on 01482 448879 (Weekdays 8.30am–5pm) or the Immediate Help Team on 01482 300304 (After 5pm and weekends).



Parking

The school car park is very small and there is no room for parents to drive into the car park to drop children off. We have several taxis that need to access the car park at the start and end of the school day to drop off or collect children and if parents also try to use the car park it then creates a concern over safety.

We do know that parking around the local area is difficult at the start and the end of the school day – however please do not park on the zig zag lines. Recent parking on these lines have caused safety concerns with young children walking into school.

Board games

If anyone has any board games that are gathering dust, and they are suitable for primary aged children – please bring them into the main office as they would be perfect for the children who attend Breakfast Club . Thank you!



Breakfast Club

**magic
breakfast**
fuel for learning

Magic Breakfast supports our Breakfast Club and they have started providing us with Heinz Baked Beans, along with the usual, daily bagels and Kellogs Cornflakes.

This means that every Tuesday the children will be able to now have Bagels & Beans ... a warm, filling and tasty way to start their day!

A Blessing for the New Year

May The Road Rise Up To Meet You



*May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
The rains fall soft upon your fields
And until we meet again,
May God hold you
In the palm of His hand.*

Traditional Gaelic Blessing