

KEY STAGE 2 CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY



Headteacher Awards

Year 3— Perri
Year 4—Ethan
Year 5—Otis
Year 6—Myles



Star Phonics/Speller of the week

Year 3— Imogen
Year 4—Oliver
Year 5—Mia
Year 6—Jamie



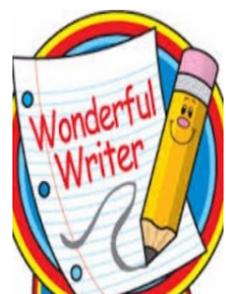
Star Reader of the week

Year 3— Lianna
Year 4—Maysie
Year 5—James B
Year 6—Irem and Isabelle



Star Mathematician of the week

Year 3— Neve
Year 4—Bonnie
Year 5—Harli
Year 6—Alexa



Star Writer of the week

Year 3— Charlie
Year 4—Isabelle
Year 5—Harley
Year 6—Jenson



I have demonstrated resilience this week

Year 3— George S
Year 4—Mia
Year 5—Angel
Year 6—Matilda

Lunchtime Menu — Caterlink for week beginning

4th May 2021 - Week 1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choice 1	BANK HOLIDAY	Pork Sausage, Mashed Potato & Gravy	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken Tikka with 50/50 Rice	Fish Fingers with Chips
Choice 2	BANK HOLIDAY	Vegetarian Sausage, Mashed Potato & Gravy	Vegetable Wellington with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Lentil & Basil Puff Pastry Whirl with Wedges	Cheese Frittata with Chips
Desert	BANK HOLIDAY	Pineapple Cake	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt	Apple, Cheese & Crackers	Chocolate Cocoa Cake

Filled Jacket Potatoes or Baguette options are available daily for KS2 -

Hot meals only for EYFS and KS1

Yoghurt & fresh fruit is available daily as a dessert choice

ALL MEAL ORDERS MUST BE IN BY 9.15AM



Changing lives for changing times



Nettlestone Primary School

News from Nettlestone Primary School and across the Federation

Executive Head teacher Miss Howarth Head of School Mrs Jacobs Office Administrator: Mrs Ayling

Friday 30th April 2021

Value of the week: Courage

YOUNG GOVERNORS—ANTI-BULLYING POLICY UPDATED

Mrs Jacobs met with the Young Leaders this week to discuss how everything is going within the school.

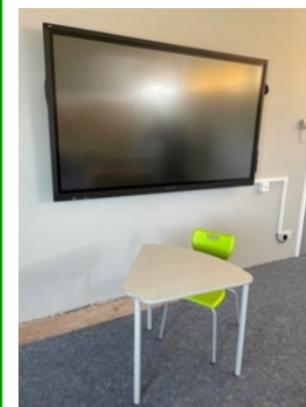
Cruz chaired the meeting excellently, with James recording our notes as the clerk.

Our main focus of the agenda was the review of our 'Child Friendly Anti-Bullying Policy'. The child made a few small changes and are now in the process of discussing with their class peers.

Many thanks to our Young Governors who continue to take their role seriously. They are working brilliantly as a team and their decisions are having a real and purposeful impact on school life.



TIME TO CHANGE!



It is quickly approaching that time of year when children get to visit their new physical classroom and spend time with their new teachers. As always, the children will find this out in July.

In readiness for this we are having an overhaul of the school building.

Year 6 will be moving upstairs to 'The Penthouse'. This is currently being re-decorated in a calming grey colour pallet. New furniture has been ordered to endorse our children correct posture as this is extremely important for their bodies and minds. New technology has also been installed.

This will enable every other class to move within school as well. You may be asking ... Why?

From September, this will enable Nettlestone to facilitate an Early Years Provision as our wonderful and ever expanding Pre-School will now be able to be accommodated within our main school building. EYFS will then have their own dedicated outdoor area between Pre-School and Reception class, this also allows us the opportunity to continue to develop our outside learning area for Year 1 and 2.

We are all excited about the changes and hopefully, after half term, we will be in a position to start physically moving rooms. Watch this space!

MR. CLEARE'S CHALLENGE!

Captain Tom's 100 Challenge

Last year Captain Tom united the nation as he completed 100 laps of his garden and raised over £30 million for charity.

To celebrate his legacy, we would like you to take on your own 100 challenge on what would have been Captain Tom's 101st birthday weekend!

You may wish to climb 100 metres high, perform 100 somersaults on a trampoline, juggle a football 100 times, score 100 baskets or goals in your garden, or cycle 100km over the weekend. It's a flexible challenge so be creative and get active!

If you would like to donate to support the organisers FutureSense Foundation you can follow this link:

<https://captaintom100.virginmoneygiving.com/giving/captaintom100/getinvolved.jsp?charityResourceId=ccf157a5-d258-4a4d-9211-954e41dbdb18>

As always we would love to see your challenges, so please post them on Facebook or send them in.



'Tomorrow will be a better day'

FINGERS CROSSED!



We are now able to update you that government guidelines now support some inter school fixtures and we are looking forward to organising friendly fixtures with Newchurch in the permitted sports. This is the benefit of the two schools working in partnership and working in accordance with the same risk assessments. Sadly, we will not be able to permit parents on site to watch just yet but we are keeping fingers crossed that this will change soon.

CYBER CRITTERS!

Over the Summer Term, the Cyber Ambassadors would like you to keep an eye out for 'The Cyber Critters'. They are going to be showcasing new tricks in the online world and over this term we will be introducing them to you.

Also, keep an eye out for the Safer Superhero Mission that the Cyber Ambassadors will be setting for you in school!



BIG PEDAL UPDATE!

Thank you so much to all those members of our community who have opted to support the Big Pedal sustainable travel initiative. The sunny weather this week has encouraged many more of you to follow the government advice to walk, cycle or scoot to school where you can safely do so.

The children report upon arrival that they have enjoyed their exercise before school and even a few parents have thanked us for giving them the 'big push' to get active in the mornings! Don't forget to send Mr Cleare any pictures of your travel to school we are hoping to showcase your efforts on our school TV screen in the near future.



WHAT ARE WE LEARNING?



This week in Pre School we have carried on with our growing, we have added some rainbow chard to our patch and are caring for some sweet peas and cabbage ready to plant them out soon. The children have been great at remembering to water our plants and have taken charge of watering them daily, filling up the watering can with each other's support when one may find it a little too heavy to carry. It really has been great to see the communication and team work taking place. As always there has been lots of different structures made using various loose part materials. We have also had our shop front turned into a pizza restaurant/take away this week and the children having been exploring a variety of different toppings, this has been a great way to add some mathematical vocabulary including half and quarters. We are also still exploring the natural world and our bug hotel to go along with our book of the week called 'I can only draw worms'. Great Britain Class have had an exciting start to their week with a special delivery! After carefully opening up the parcel marked fragile, the children were amazed to see five tiny caterpillars! We looked for the safest place in class to put our caterpillar garden and began to monitor them. We continued this weeks theme by reading some books about caterpillars. The first one was 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and also 'The Crunching Munching Caterpillar.' Please talk to the children about them, they are fascinating! Some children have shown an interest in making games that the children can play and we have had a new take on 'Pin the Tail on the Donkey.' Our one is called 'Pin the Belly Button on the Person.' We have all had fun exploring this! Whilst outside in the garden some children have been using their PE skills by playing Tennis and what a great skills they have shown! In Year One this week the children have continued their learning about pirates and have learnt about what life was like for pirates aboard a pirate ship... very smelly!! In P.E the children have also been dancing and moving to pirate sea shanties as well as developing their ball skills by learning how to control a ball with a hockey stick. In English, the children have been learning about plurals - what this means and how we show 'more than one' by adding 's' or 'es' to a word. The children have been sorting words according to which suffix they need to add and applying this new learning to their own writing. They have also been enjoying reading and talking about more pirate stories. In Maths, we have been practicing our counting in 10s and 5s in a variety of ways, as well as using this knowledge to solve problems. In Science the children have been continuing their learning about their



bodies and have explored the different body parts they are using when they do different activities. In Geography the children have been looking at their locality and looking at the route they would take to go to Puckpool Park and the different human and physical features they would see. This week in Denmark class we have been learning more about China and plants. In Science we have learnt about seed dispersal and how seeds are dispersed and we spent time looking at different plants and identifying how the seeds would be dispersed to create new plants. In Geography we looked at landmarks from Beijing and London and classified them into which city they were in. We thoroughly enjoyed making our clay dragon eyes this week and using sketching and shading techniques to create drawings of dragons eyes, the staff in year 2 were really impressed with us. We have learnt to divide by 2 and 5 this week as well using some of our vocabulary we learnt in year 1 to help us. This week we started a new text in Literacy called Dragon Post by Emma Yarlett. We thoroughly enjoyed this book and came up with some great predictions before we read it. We have been using the skills we have learnt about letter writing, statement and question sentences to help us write 2 letters to the characters in the book from the main character. We amazed Miss Newnham with our knowledge on the orchestra in music showing that we had retained all of the information on the families and instruments that we have been learning about. Another fantastic week well done Denmark class. In Netherlands Class this week we had a special visitor: Mr E. He told us about the history of Nettlestone Primary School in the 1940's. We heard two fascinating accounts from the hand written Log Book and had to dive under the table when the sound of the air raid siren went. We were surprised to find out what rations children had, only one small bag of sweets! We have learnt to spell some very tricky homophones: except/accept and affect/effect. We used dictionaries to find their meanings and then we put them into sentences to help us tell the difference between each word. In our No Nonsense Spelling lessons, we wrote some excellent sentences using contracted words, direct speech punctuation and some people used subordinate clauses. In our reading lessons, many of us challenged ourselves to move onto the trickier comprehension questions. We learnt to answer questions with full sentences when the question asked us 'Why?'. In our Maths lessons, we focused on how multiplication tables help us with division calculations. Some of us moved onto answering word problems using multiplication and division. Many of us remembered that this is called the inverse operation. Another great learning week for Switzerland class. We have continued to plot the story of Ali and Tutankhamun's tomb. We have written a summary of a chapter and made a prediction of what happens next in the story using information from the text so far. We have now started to look at newspapers reports and have retrieved what we have previously learnt about these reports by finding the features and language used. Our maths problem continues on the theme of division where we have looked at division with remainders. In Science, we have been learning about sound. What it is and how we can describe it. We have planned an experiment and carried it out by trying to find out how the size of an ear trumpet can affect the volume of sound. Our Wellness Wednesday activity was linked to our History and English theme of Ancient Egyptians where we made our own Egyptian pencil case out of card. It has been another action-packed week in Australia class. On Tuesday morning, the children were particularly excited to receive a visit from Mrs Jacobs, who was very impressed by all of their hard work in mathematics. Children were continuing to build their understanding of the relationship between ones, tenths and hundredths and were expressing their answers as mixed numbers, number sentences and pictorial representations. In our writing this week, we have carried out some excellent experimentation with new vocabulary from our reading. This includes words such as myriad, cobalt, astounded, diverse and vibrant. We are working hard to make sure we use precise words to create powerful images in our readers' minds. We have enjoyed looking at Peter Thorpe's Space Art too and discussed his use of colour. This has included revising primary and secondary colours and investigating complementary colours. In Science we have been learning about the length of a year on different planets in our Solar System -using our existing knowledge to predict and explain which planets will have longer or shorter years than our own planet. Our focus in English this week has been a class performance of 'The Highwayman' poem. We divided ourselves into groups and decided how we could best perform our part of the poem using sounds and actions where we thought appropriate. This was great practice for our learning and recital of poetry. A video of our performance will be shared on Seesaw for Year 6. Our Maths learning has focused on formal methods of multiplication and division. We have found that revising short methods of division and multiplication was not too much of a challenge. However, revising the methods of long division and multiplication took greater perseverance. We have continued to discuss this method throughout the week and



decide on strategies to help us as a class. In Science, we continued investigating the effect different amounts of volts have on bulbs and buzzers. The children created their own circuits with cells and wires and commented on how changing the volts would affect the performance of the bulb and/or buzzer.



CONVERSATION STARTERS!

Want to know what your children have been learning this week? Here are some conversation starters that may help you talk to them about what they have been up to in class!

YEAR R

Talk to me about...lifecycle of a caterpillar

Words to use...cocoon, nibbled, nectar and soared

Tips for the week...When the children are out and about at home or on their walks look out for any mini beasts. What do you notice

We have been reading...'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'The Crunching Munching Caterpillar'

YEAR 2

Talk to me about... Dragon Post, seed dispersal, The different instruments and families in an orchestra.

Words to use... seed dispersal, division, dividing by 2, dividing by 5, statement sentences, question sentences, common exception words.

Tips for the week... Continue to practice counting in 2's and 5's and learning your 2 and 5 times tables.

We have been reading... Dragon Post by Emma Yarlett, Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl.

YEAR 4

Talk to me about... sound.

Words to use... pitch, tone, travels, distance, loud, soft, prediction, ear trumpet.

Tips for the week... keep practising your times tables. Use Rockstars or Mathsframe. Fire questions at each other. How quickly can you answer them? Can you tell the associated division fact? This is called the inverse. E.g. $6 \times 8 = 48$ so 48 divided by $8 = 6$

We have been reading... I was there Tutankhamun's Tomb by Sue Reid

YEAR 6

Talk to me about...multiplying and dividing

Words to use...long division, long multiplication

Tips for the week...Ask me to show you how to calculate the answer to these questions 23×14 and 473 divided by 11 or 3822 divided by 21 for more of a challenge

We have been reading... The Highwayman

YEAR 1

Talk to me about what... life was like on board a pirate ship.

Words to use... noun, plural. What do I need to add to a word if there is 'more than one'?

Tips for the week...Can you count in 5s to 100?

We have been reading...'The Pirates Next Door' by Jonny Duddle

YEAR 3

Talk to me about ...Trevor and his roller skates in 'The Hundred-Mile-An-Hour' Dog! What could possibly go wrong?

Words to use... affect/effect and accept/except. Can you put each word into a sentence?

Tips for the week... Can you think of a fact family for one of the calculations in the four times table? Check our home learning on Seesaw.

We have been reading... 'The Hundred-Mile-An-Hour Dog' by Jeremy Strong.

YEAR 5

Talk to me about... the length of a year on different planets in our Solar System; what you like about Peter Thorpe's Space Art; primary, secondary and complementary colours.

Words to use... primary, secondary and complementary colours, the 'orbital path' of a planet, myriad, cobalt, astounded, diverse and vibrant

Tips for the week...To make your description effective, choose words that paint a clear picture in your reader's mind.

We have been reading... The Wonder Garden and Crater Lake



WE ARE HIRING!

We are in the exciting position to be looking for Teaching Assistants within our Federation to start in the new academic year. We have positions at both Nettlestone and Newchurch Primary Schools, details of which can be found on our school websites.



It is really rare that these opportunities arise and so please alert friends and family who may be interested to this opportunity.

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

Miss Howarth met with Mrs Edmonds, our Safeguarding Governor for the Federation, this week to review and update our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy. There were minimal changes required as we always aspire to be as vigilant as possible in all that we do to keep our community safe.



We have made reference to the importance of pupil voice in all that we do and we have signposted the dedicated NSPCC helpline that has been created to support the Everyone's Invited campaign, which we are sure you are aware of has been designed to support potential victims and victims of sexual abuse and provide advice to children and adults. The helpline can be accessed on 0800 136 663.

We are aware that there is a government review of this aspect of safeguarding and will further update our policies in light of any further findings.

OUR CLEANING TEAM AT NEWCHURCH ARE ALSO HIRING!

School Cleaner Required

We are looking for a cleaner to join our team. Position is for 3 hours a day between 1600 and 1900hrs, 5 days a week (term time only). £9.00 per hour
If interested please call Mike on 07766410419
Or email allroundcleaners@aol.com
DBS check will be required.

