

Newfold Community Primary School



Headteacher's Newsletter Autumn Term 2016



Welcome back to the new year at Newfold Community Primary School. I hope you have had an enjoyable Summer. I expect you've been counting the days to the new term starting!!

We have a busy **Autumn Term** ahead and I have included a list of some of the key dates with this newsletter. I will endeavour to keep you further informed throughout the year.

Back to School



Refurbishment

There has been a considerable number of **refurbishment** projects undertaken during the summer holiday.



A new **heating system** has been installed throughout the **Key Stage 1 Building**.

New washroom facilities have been installed in **Nursery**.

New **interactive whiteboards** have been installed in the **Key Stage 1 & Reception Classrooms**.

Our school **kitchen** has been **retiled**.

A number of internal spaces in school have been **decorated**.



The refurbishment projects reflect the **exceptionally high standard** of **learning environment** we strive to provide here at Newfold.



Sparkling!

Our school is looking **fantastic!**

Mr Strachan, Mrs Partington, Mr Dillon, Mrs Allen & Mrs Fairhurst have certainly worked tremendously hard over the summer break to ensure our school environment is up to standard.

Many thanks to all of them.



School Uniform

Thank you for continuing to support our policy on school uniform.

Our children **look terrific!**

Please ensure that **all clothing is labelled** with your child's name.

Please remember that **shaved heads** and **tramline haircuts** are not appropriate at Newfold. It is embarrassing for both parents/carers and myself should I be required to speak to individuals about this.

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Parking & Road Safety



May I please remind parents/carers about the car **parking procedures** in and around the school?

The small parking area before the barrier is for **visitors** to the school.

The area is **NOT** a parking/dropping-off area for any parents/carers except those holding a **'Blue Badge'**. If you qualify for this exception, please bring your documentation into School.

May I therefore respectfully ask that parents/carers **DO NOT** park their cars in this area **AT ANY TIME?**

We have worked very hard over the past five years to improve the safety for road users and pedestrians outside our school by providing a **'20s Plenty'** zone, **traffic calming measures** and a **zebra crossing**.

All drivers are required by law to ensure that they are parking responsibly and not causing a danger to other road users or pedestrians.

Please do not put our community members at risk by parking irresponsibly.

Please also show respect and understanding towards **local residents** when parking in the streets around school.



Dogs, bikes & scooters



May I please remind parents/carers that **dogs** must **not** be brought through the school playgrounds or outside any of the classrooms?



Dogs may be left outside school or may be tied up at the **'Dog Stop'** near the **Main Office** and **Key Stage 2 Building Entrance**.

Please remember also that children must **not** cycle their **bikes** or ride on **scooters** in the school grounds.

I hope you understand that these measures are taken for the **health and safety** of **all** the children and parents/carers in school.

Holidays During Term Time

Please be aware that I **will not** authorise requests for holidays during term time.

Following guidance from the Department for Education, **Leave of Absence (Holiday)** requests are only granted in exceptional circumstances.

Mr P. Edge

Parents/Carers Evenings

Parents/Carers Evenings at school have been arranged as follows:



Reception/KS1/KS2

Monday 7th November

3.30 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.

Nursery

Tuesday 8th November

3.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

A letter giving further details will be sent to you all shortly. We will endeavour to give appointment times to suit.