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Newtown Primary School

Our School Uniform

With a new half-term approaching, please can we remind parents that children should arrive to school each day wearing their full school uniform. Our uniform is:

- Black/grey trousers or shorts or a skirt
- White polo shirt
- Blue Newtown sweatshirt or a plain blue sweatshirt
- Black shoes

PE Kits

Sometimes our class timetables have to change to accommodate trips, visitors or other special events happening in school. Please could we ask that PE kits remain in school all week.

Our PE Kit is:

- Navy/Black shorts or joggers
- White round neck plain t-shirt (no logos/prints)

Thank you for your support.

Water bottle trays are now located in each classroom for your child to safely store their water bottle during the school day.

Drinking water throughout the day is proven to have a positive effect on childrens' concentration and contributes to their health and wellbeing. Children are able to re-fill their water bottles during the day.



Thursday 7th March – World Book Day (pyjamas or loungewear)

Monday 11th – Friday 22nd

March – Year 5 Swimming Sessions – Sands Centre

Friday 15th March – Comic Relief

Thursday 28th March – End of Term

Monday 15th April – INSET Day (no children in school)

Tuesday 16th April – Return to school

For safety reasons children should not come to school wearing jewellery. Watches and stud earrings are the exception to this.



Watch this space! Appointments for our next Parents Evening meetings in March will be coming out soon! Make sure you book your slot!

Respect ... Responsibility... Resilience ...



Applying for Free School Meals

How can I apply for free school meals and school clothing vouchers?

- Where possible, all parents and guardians should apply online. You will need to register on the Citizen Portal to do this. If you apply online you will receive an immediate response telling you if you are eligible for the vouchers.
- If you are unable to apply online, please contact the free school meals team - telephone: **0300 373 3730**.

If you already get free school meals and clothing grants, you do not need to apply for each school year.

What do I do when another child starts school?

Even if you are already getting free school meals and school clothing vouchers for your other children, you need to apply for each child starting school for the first time (for example, new starters in a reception class).

You will need to submit a new application for that child only, regardless of whether older siblings already receive free school meals.



Newtown



Stars of the Week

Buttermere

Amelia



Coniston

Eghosa



Windermere

Mari



Derwent

Thomas



Crummock

William



Loweswater

Riley



Ennerdale

Archie

House Team Points



298



323



315



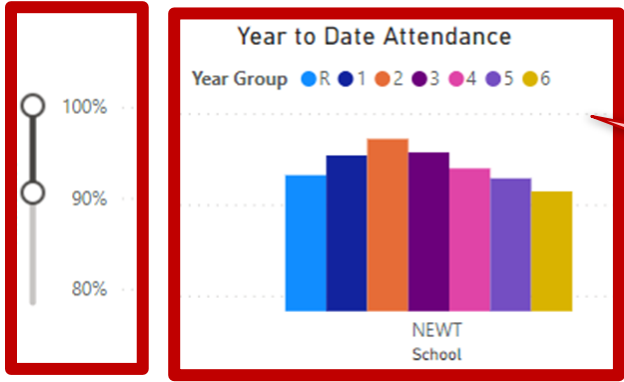
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This week's winner is the **Blue Team** – Well Done

Well done!



Attendance Matters



Our whole school Attendance

Regular school attendance is an important part of giving children the best possible start in life. The aim should be to attend 100% of the time. Children who miss school frequently can struggle to maintain friendships, can fall behind with their work and do less well in exams.

Attendance during one school year	Equivalent Days	Equivalent Sessions	Equivalent Weeks	Equivalent Lessons Missed
95%	9 Days	18 Sessions	2 Weeks	54 Lessons
90%	19 Days	38 Sessions	4 Weeks	114 Lessons
85%	29 Days	58 Sessions	6 Weeks	174 Lessons
80%	38 Days	72 Sessions	8 Weeks	228 Lessons
75%	48 Days	96 Sessions	10 Weeks	288 Lessons
70%	57 Days	114 Sessions	11.5 Weeks	342 Lessons
65%	67 Days	134 Sessions	13.5 Weeks	402 Lessons

How much learning is my child missing?

Newtown School

School Foodbank



No Criteria needs to be met
Working / Non-Working / Stay at Home Parents
Family of 2 or a Family of 3 / 4 / 5

"There for everyone"

We have been fortunate enough to be able to set up a food bank in school from a grant that we obtained from the government for anyone that needs some extra groceries.

We can make up a bag of food for you to cover half term.

We have various foods; pasta, rice, juice, tins, packets.

Please don't be shy, anyone can get groceries. If you can use this food and it will help your family,

If you would like a bag of groceries, please contact Mrs Wardle, on the school gates or via email
twardle@newtown.cumbria.sch.uk
or just ask Chelsea or Paula on reception.

No Judgement No Shame
Everyone needs a little bit of help sometimes

