

New Brighton Weekly News

9th September 2022

Today pupils have had the chance to reflect on the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Following this sad news, staff across school will take the opportunity to mark the passing the Queen over the next 10 days.

Our First Day at School

It's so exciting when we arrive and see our friends!



Hello from Foundation 1! This week we have been making new friends, exploring our classroom, and learning our school routines. This is what a day in Foundation 1 looks like!



At the end of the day, we sit back, relax and listen to a story. We can't wait to do it all again tomorrow!



There's so much to discover and investigate in our classroom!



Time to have a quick snack and a chat.

We love being outside and building our strong muscles.



This week, class 3NF have helped to decorate their class' reading area by adding a flame to the fireplace. Each flame contains a recommendation of their favorite book or author.



Roald Dahl Day.



James and the Giant Peach, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Fantastic Mr. Fox, Matilda, and BFG. Adults as well as children of all ages know these stories well! We also know that these are all the creative works of one Mr. Roald Dahl.

Roald Dahl Day celebrates this creative master and all of the work that he has done by bringing stories of fiction and wonder to children everywhere, as well as his work through the Roald Dahl Marvellous Children's Charity.

We will be celebrating Roald Dahl day on Tuesday 13th September. Teachers will share their favourite Roald Dahl stories with children and we would like to invite any children to bring in a copy of their favourite Roald Dahl text.



READY TO ROME

Year 4 went back in time to learn about the Romans at DEVA in Chester this week. They went on patrol with a Centurion to the amphitheatre to learn about battle techniques and built a tortoise shield formation aka a "testudo". They took in the sights, sounds and smells of ancient Rome which made for a great start to their invasions topic this term.





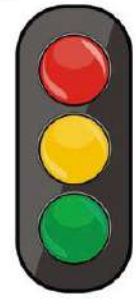
Autumn in the school garden

Our sunflowers have grown to an incredible size over the summer. Our 9ft/2.75m high sunflower has a great view over Maitland Road. Next time you are passing have a look. The blooms are starting to fade now but their seeds are a great source of food for birds.



Ready, steady, grow!

There's lots of changing colours in the garden at the moment. Our tomatoes are going from green to red and our pumpkins are turning orange!



VEG ON FILM

NBPS Garden presents "Our Potatoes", a short film starring Year 1 as they plant, grow, harvest and eat their produce. Watch the full film on our NBPS Facebook or Garden Instagram



@nbpsGarden



Attendance

Applications for leave during term time will not be authorised unless it is due to *exceptional circumstances*.

Penalty notices may be put in place so please make holidays during school holidays.

Home Reading Champions

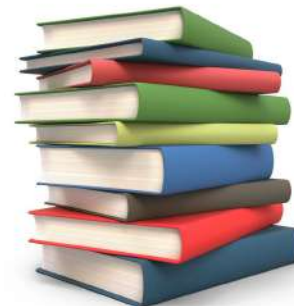
We will publish our home reading data on Friday 16th of September.

Please make sure that your child reads at home at least 5 times a week and that they return their reading record to school to show this.

In the meantime, please feel free to follow these links which help to explain why reading at home is so important:

<https://literacytrust.org.uk/blog/reading-children-so-powerful-so-simple-and-yet-so-misunderstood/#:~:text=It%20has%20astonishing%20benefits%20for,even%20improves%20their%20sleeping%20patterns>.

<https://www.imagineforest.com/blog/10-reasons-reading-important-kids/>



Help for Households

There are a range of support measures in place to help people deal with the increasing rises in the cost of goods and energy.

The measures include help with income support, energy bills, childcare, and more. The council is continually assessing the pressures experienced by residents and businesses and the support they will need in the future. Click the link below for more information.

<https://bit.ly/3RGsL3e>

Taking Photos on School Premises

Please remember not to take photographs of children on school premises.

We have many children from vulnerable backgrounds and who do not have permission to have their image on social media.



Meet the teachers.

Letters were sent out this week inviting parents to meet their child's new class teacher. These meetings will take place after school next week and at the beginning of the following week. Parents can collect children from the yard as usual and drop them off in the school hall before going to their child's class for the teacher meeting (arrangements for F2 will be slightly different). Meetings will take place at the following dates and times:

F2: Thurs 15th September 3:30pm

Year 1 & 2: Weds 14th September 3:30pm

Year 3 & 4: Tues 20th September 3:30pm

Year 5 & 6: Tues 13th September 3:30pm

WIRRAL FOODBANK PLUS

Wirral Foodbank Plus works with Citizens Advice Wirral, providing dedicated advice and support, including:

- Benefits
- Universal Credit
- Debt
- Housing
- Relationships

If you require help with any of the above or any of the services mentioned in this leaflet, please let one of our volunteers know at the foodbank centre you are attending, or contact:

Wirral Foodbank:
Telephone: 0151 638 7090
(Lines open Mon–Thu 9am– 2pm)
Email:
enquiries@wirralfoodbank.org.uk



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ADDITIONAL SUPPORT LEAFLET



Restoring Dignity Reviving Hope

Support for Essential Needs

(Household Support Fund)

Provides help towards:

- specialist food needs
- shoes and clothing
- furniture and household goods
- white goods
- fuel and water bills
- phone and broadband bills
- travel costs
- veterinary bills
- car repair bills
- medical expenses.

This list is not exhaustive and other essentials will be considered.

You can apply for help by contacting:

Wirral Council
www.wirral.gov.uk/welfaresupport
or via the Wirral Council Helpline on
0151 666 5050.



Financial Support with Fuel & Water Debt

If you cannot afford to pay for your gas and electricity or you are struggling to deal with gas, electricity or water debt, you can get the following help:

- If you have a pre-payment meter, you can request a fuel voucher (gas and electric) from Wirral Council:

Contact Wirral Council
www.wirral.gov.uk/welfaresupport or via
the Wirral Coronavirus Helpline on
0151 666 5050.

- If you pay by direct debit you can ask for help, from Citizens Advice Wirral, towards your gas, electricity and water costs, which will be paid directly to your provider:

or

- If you are struggling with gas, electricity and water debt you can ask for help from Citizens Advice Wirral, to clear or reduce your debt:

Contact Citizens Advice Wirral
www.citizensadvicewirral.org.uk

08082 78 78 48

Help with repair or replacement of heating systems

If you are unable to repair or replace broken or an old heating system, and do not qualify for help under other programmes you can apply to for help from:

Energy Projects Plus

Call **0800 043 0151**

or

www.eplusplus.org.uk/referrals



Please note that all applications for support are carefully considered against strict eligibility criteria and evidence of need.





Attendance

We aim for 100% our target is 98%

Remember that school starts at 8:50am and any time after this is late. Formal lessons start at 9:05 and the children need to be in, registered and settled for this time.

Please note, COVID absence is taken into account and we compare ourselves to other schools, both locally and nationally, that are also affected by the pandemic.

Class	%	Minutes Late	Class	%	Minutes Late
Nursery	94	0	3CH	92.2	0
Poppies	92.1	0	3CM	96.8	20
Sweetpeas	88.8	165	4DH	97.1	55
Buttercups	100	0	4LF	97.1	0
1RL	93.7	0	4CH	92.2	10
1BT	93.1	99	BD	85.4	100
10T	99.2	44	5TS	92	230
2BP	92.8	35	5MW	90.4	77
2RM	91.5	168	5JH	92.8	75
2SA	97.6	30	6CJ	91.0	10
BK	89.3	0	6RS	94.1	16
3NF	92.9	41	6JH	91.8	10
Whole School					
Whole School Attendance	93.6%		Lost Learning	19hrs 45min	

Reporting a child's absence

Please remember to phone each day to report your child's absence.

We have an email for you to report Covid (covidinfo@newbrighton.wirral.sch.uk) absence and you can leave absence reasons on the answer machine. If reasons are not provided each day, an unauthorised mark will be entered on the register.



Owl Awards



These children have been exceptional this week.

Nursery Joseph Higgins	
Buttercups All of the Buttercups!	Class 3CM Noah P
Poppies All of the Poppies!	Class 4DH Riley W
Sweetpeas All of the Sweetpeas!	Class 4LF Zach S
Class 1RL Lily-Mae	Class 4CH Lydia S
Class 1BT Leo	Class BD Skyler
Class 1OT Teddy W	Class 5TS Alfie F & Sebastian
Class 2BP Mollie- Mae	Class 5JH Charlie Birch & Jasmine
Class 2RM Millie	Class 5MW Millie Lavery and Keerthanaa
Class 2SA Francesca	Class 6CJ Poppy W & Ben T
Class BK All of Class BK	Class 6RS Lily-Rose R & Lily A
Class 3NF Oliver M & Thomas M	Class 6JH Jude & Caeleb
Class 3CH Amelia B & Sol	