



Newton Regis
C of E Primary School



Austrey
Church of England
Primary School

Newsletter
Date: 14/2/25

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Dear Parents/Carers

ONLINE SAFETY MESSAGE

In today's digital age, our children are more connected than ever before. While technology offers incredible opportunities for learning and social interaction, it also presents challenges that require our attention and guidance. One area of particular concern is the use of group chats and online communication platforms.

Monitoring your child's online activity, especially in group chats, is crucial for several reasons. Firstly, it helps ensure their safety. Children may not always recognise the risks associated with sharing personal information or engaging with strangers. By keeping an eye on their online interactions, you can help protect them from potential dangers such as cyberbullying, inappropriate content, and online predators.

Secondly, group chats can sometimes become a breeding ground for negative behaviour. It's important to instill an ethos of kindness and respect in our children. Encourage them to think before they type, to be considerate of others' feelings, and to stand up against bullying. By fostering a positive online environment, we can help our children develop healthy communication skills and build strong, supportive relationships.

As a community, let's work together to create a safe and nurturing online space for our children. Your involvement and guidance are key to helping them navigate the digital world responsibly and kindly.

I am very excited to announce that after half term we will be launching a new programme of lessons in school called myHappyMind. It is a programme that says, "We help schools, nurseries and families create a culture of positive mental wellbeing" and is backed by the NHS. I have attached a presentation to give you more information about this and/or you can visit their website

<https://myhappymind.org/> and the children have been shown the launch video and information in assembly this week. As part of the package parents are also able to download a free app and I have also attached a link to a short video to explain this in more detail. The six digit code that you will need is AUSTREY 140125 and NEWTON REGIS 140139. Here is the link to the video

<https://myhappymind.lpages.co/myhappymind-parent-app-introduction/>



Choral Event at Woodside



Well done to all of our children who attended this on Thursday 6th February. It was lovely to see all of the 5 North Warwickshire schools within BDMAT come together and work together brilliantly. There was no preparation in schools before this event so the fact that they managed to learn all of these songs in such a short amount of time and perform them so professionally was amazing. I'm sure all of the adults who were able to come to watch the short performance at the end were extremely proud of you all as we were. Thankyou also to parents for providing transport to and from this event, your support is very much appreciated.

Y5/6 Cricket

On Friday 7th February, pupils from Y5/6 (and one from Y4) took part in a cricket tournament at Kingsbury Community Centre. With their heats being cancelled due to the other schools pulling out, Austrey went straight into the finals. They played against Shustoke and Water Orton. Overall, with one win and one loss, the team finished 2nd and proudly brought home silver medals. Well done team.



KS2 Cross Country

On Wednesday 12th February, pupils from KS2 took part in the final team event of the XC season. In the Y3/4 girls' event, Nessa narrowly missed out on bronze, placing 4th and Imogen was just behind her finishing 5th overall. Tess then came in in 16th, Kezia 19th, Leah 24th, Robyn in 37th and Darcie in 40th. For the boys, Arlo secured the bronze medal after a brilliant race, Rory was next in 7th, Rafe in 25th, Oliver in 43rd, Chester in 49th and Jack in 63rd place.

In the Y5/6 race, Amber, Elsie and Arabella ran well, finishing as a group in 18th, 19th and 20th positions. Jack Mills had been doing some extra training and had his highest place finish of the season - 6th overall. Freddie was next back in 11th, then Lincoln in 21st and Dougie 22nd. Well done all. We now await the final results to see if we managed to retain any of our trophies from the previous year! Fingers crossed

For children wishing to be considered to represent North Warwickshire in the next stages, the selection race is at Pingles on Wednesday 26th February. A letter will be sent out with more details.



Valentine's Discos

A huge thankyou to **FACES** and **FPTA** for organising these on 12th and 13th February. They were really well attended the children really enjoyed themselves.

It is great to see more parents joining these groups and/or helping out in other ways to make these and all of the other events such a success.





You can view your child's attendance certificate 'live' through Arbor. If you need help logging into this, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Pick or Mrs Harvey.

OUR CURRENT ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES FOR THE YEAR SO FAR ARE

Austrey
95.4%

Newton Regis
94%

(not including nursery as attendance is non statutory)

National is currently 94.5%

Newton Regis Nursery

I have been approached by a few parents about bringing their child to the nursery at Newton Regis. Just to clarify, we take children the term after they are 3. All children are entitled to 15 hours for which we offer 5 mornings. You can then apply for 30 hours if you are working which means you can add some or all afternoons.

We are currently full for this academic year and have a waiting list in case anyone leaves.

We are now full for 2025/26 academic year so if your child turns 3 in the summer of 2026 and you would like them to join our nursery in September 2026, please get in touch now to secure your place - its never too early!

Please get in touch with Mrs Pick at Newton (01827 830220 or office@newtonregis.bdmatt.org.uk)

Please also get in touch if you would like to come and look around.

Values Lanyards

Date: 7.2.25	
Ducklings:	Casey - Community
Wagtails:	Phoenix - Community
Harlequin	Harrison - Justice
Robins:	Cody - Trust
King Eider:	James - Dignity
Owls:	Felix - Community
Mandarin:	Freddie - Dignity
Kingfishers:	Elsie S - Trust

Date: 14.2.25	
Ducklings:	Ava - Community
Wagtails:	Willow - Trust
Harlequin:	Coby - Hope
Robins:	Hugh - Community
King Eider:	Daphne - Hope
Owls:	Chester - Wisdom
Mandarin:	Sidney - Forgiveness
Kingfishers	George - Forgiveness

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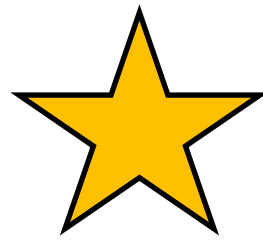
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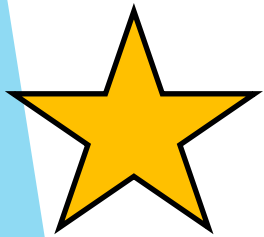
Pupils of the week



Date:	24.1.25
Ducklings	Chloe
Wagtails	Olivia
Harlequin	Daisy-Mai
Robins	Hugh
King Eider	Kezia
Owls	Joseph
Mandarin	Lucie
Kingfishers	Archie



Date:	31.1.25
Ducklings	Olivia J
Wagtails	Billy
Harlequin	Freddie T
Robins	Jimmy James
King Eider	Bertie
Owls	Willow
Mandarin	Rosalie
Kingfishers	Owen



Ways to look after your mental health

- Sleep
- A healthy diet
- Keep active
- Spend time with friends, family and people you trust
- Develop new skills and set realistic goals and challenges
- Relax and enjoy hobbies
- Recognise and talk about your feelings



Collective Worship

During the last few weeks in Collective Worship, we have been learning about Candlemas when Jesus was presented in the Temple and the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan by John the Baptist linked to the Christian value of hope.

In Picture News we have been discussing the questions

- How can learning about the world help us? (linked to Children's mental health week)



Our music appreciation has been Latin music (Livin' La Vida Loca by Ricky Martin) and Hip Hop (Don't Stop Believing by Glee)

God says I know what I am doing. I have it all planned out; plans to take care of you not abandon you; plans to give you hope for the future you hope for.

Jeremiah 29:11



Dates for your diaries

- Monday 24th February - schools reopen for children
- Wednesday 5th March - parents evening at Austrey
- Thursday 6th March - parents evening at Newton
- Friday 14th March Y3/4 trip to The Sealife Centre
- Friday 21st March - Red Nose Day for Comic Relief
- Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th March Austrey FACES
Mother's Day shop
- Wednesday 26th March Mother's Day assembly at Newton
- Thursday 27th March Mother's Day assembly at Austrey
- Friday 28th March FPTA Mother's Day afternoon tea at Newton
- Tuesday 1st April Easter play at Newton 9.15am and 2.15pm
- Thursday 3rd April Easter play at Austrey 9.15am and 2.15pm

Dates for your diaries cont ...

- w/b Monday 7th April - Austrey FACES KS2 Easter Egg competition
- Wednesday 9th April - Austrey FACES Rec/KSI Easter Bonnet parade
- Thursday 11th April FPTA Easter Egg Hunt at Newton
- Thursday 11th April Easter services in church 9.00am at Newton and 2.15pm at Austrey
- Thursday 11th April - schools close for the Easter break
- Tuesday 29th April - schools reopen to children

<u>AUTUMN TERM 2024</u>	
Inset Day	Monday 2nd September
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Term starts	Wednesday 4th September
Half Term	Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November
Inset Day	Monday 4th November
Term ends	Friday 20th December
<u>SPRING TERM 2025</u>	
Inset Day	Monday 6th January
Term starts	Tuesday 7th January
Half Term	Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February
Term ends	Thursday 10th April
Inset Day	Friday 11th April
<u>SUMMER TERM 2025</u>	
Inset Day	Monday 28th April
Term starts	Tuesday 29th April
Half Term	Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May
Term ends	Friday 18th July
Inset Day	Monday 21st July