

New Mills Primary School
Newsletter No. 12
Friday 23 April 2021



Dear Parents and Carers

New Headteacher: There is a letter attached to this newsletter telling you about the newly appointed headteacher. This will be Mrs Taylor. She will be taking up the post from the beginning of the school year; September 2021. Let's hope that you will be able to meet her before then, as and when Covid restrictions allow.

Parents eve/calls: please make sure that you have seen, read and returned the Parent Eve/phone call home letter. It came home on Wednesday this week. Teachers will call you within the time slot you have asked for. Please note, all classes have different days so you will need to check the dates carefully if you are talking to more than one teacher. Also, please note that the call is for 10 minutes to allow staff time to call all parents.

Parking: a reminder of the message sent home earlier this week asking parents and carers to park with care and thought on Scalliot Close. A number of neighbours have made complaints to us about this. Please do not park large vehicles across resident's driveways.

Parent Questionnaire: The feedback from the most recent Governors Parent Questionnaire has been emailed attached today.

C Whetstone - Head teacher

The next newsletter will be on Friday 7 May 2021...by email!!

Hedge planting...something new for NMPS!

Thank you to Mrs Fisher, Mrs Ford, Mrs Stevenson, Mrs Broadley, Miss Hope and Y6 have been busy planting hedges this week. They have been supported by a local landowner with hedges from the Woodland Trust. They had to prepare the ground and plant the saplings. Look out for photos on Twitter and an update for how they are progressing in our newsletters.

Forest school work and outdoor education

We look forward to the day we can invite you, friends and family to see all the amazing work staff and pupils have been doing this year. Many of the outdoor play spaces have been transformed. KS2 pupils now have much more space and opportunity for outdoor learning, planting and growing.

21 Bridges challenge

This challenge had been completed.

Prizes have been given for the photo competition and bake a bridge challenge. A record number of pupils and families have also completed the 21 bridges challenge....medals and certificates have been awarded.

What a success!

Again a huge thankyou to Mrs Fisher for her hard work; this was a mammoth task! Thanks to the wonderful family and friends for taking part and your enthusiastic responses and support.

Stars of the Week

A celebration of the child that has shown something extra special this week...one from every class...

Rec Pavak
Y1 Jasmine
Y2 Liliana
Y3 Harry
Y4 Naomi
Y5 Nathan
Y6 Hollie

Well done everyone!!😊

Support your local air ambulance; Superhero day challenge 28 April 2021 theairambulanceservice.org.uk/superhero-challenge. Children can come dressed in their favourite superhero for the day. Please pay via Parent Pay or please send the money into school £1.00.

PTA & Community News

PTA meeting; the next meeting is Wednesday 28 April.
Please contact school if you would like to join the meeting and we can arrange a log in for you.

PTA Easter Bake off raised £183.19. Thank you to everyone for their support.

School closed Monday 3 May; Bank holiday Monday

Dates for your Diary 2021 (Easter-Summer) ... Something to look forward to

Wednesday 28 April	Y4 swimming consent form return date
Monday 3 May	School closed for Bank Holiday
Monday 10 May (and all week)	Take One Picture week (arts project in all classes)
Monday 7 June (and for 4 weeks)	Freedom Film PEGS arts project
Monday 21 June	School closed for Inset
Tuesday 20 July	Summer disco KS1 5.30 pm - 6.30 pm & KS2 6.45 pm - 8.00 pm (if restrictions to bubbles mixing is lifted)
Last week of term	Y6 leavers assembly (date of be confirmed if restrictions are lifted)

Future PTA meetings are Wednesday 28th April, 8pm & Wednesday 16th June, 8pm on Zoom all welcome to attend.

Inset days 2.9.20, 3.9.20, 4.9.20, 18.12.20, 21.6.21

Return to school in September 2021...Inset days 2 and 3 September 2021.

First day back Monday 6 September 2021.

