

New Mills Primary School  
Newsletter No. 10  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2022



**Dear Parents and Carers,**

We've had governor's meetings this week and we'd like to know if any of our parents would like to help us. Firstly, we want to completely refresh the website. Next, we want to have a different style of school prospectus. And finally, if you're an accountant or understand financial matters, we have a vacancy for a finance governor. If you are interested in helping us, and would like more information, please contact me on 01663 744453 or email [ctaylor@newmills-pri.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:ctaylor@newmills-pri.derbyshire.sch.uk).

**Carol Taylor - Head teacher**

**World Book Day**

We celebrated World Book Day on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. The children's costumes were fabulous and they enjoyed guessing all the different characters. Lots of lovely activities were planned such as making "bookscapes" which created scenes from favourite books and drama/role play tasks which brought books alive. Thank you to everyone for providing a costume for your child. They all looked wonderful!

**Go Blue for Blythe!**

BIG thank you to everyone who wore blue and made a donation to Blythe House last Friday. We raised an amazing £170!!

**Wraparound**

If you are using wraparound before/after school care, please ensure that the booking form and payment is forwarded to Miss Moody by **Thursday morning** at the latest the week before care is needed. This is vital as we need to plan staffing and resources.

**Absences in Term Time**

If your child is absent from school, please contact the school office directly by class Dojo to Miss Moody or phone, email or text. Please do not just contact your class teacher as this does not always get through to the office. Thank you.

**PTA**

The next PTA meeting is on 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 8pm. This will be a Zoom meeting. An agenda & meeting link will be emailed soon.

Also...

Our supplier for plants can't supply us anymore so we are talking to a new supplier & sorting prices out with them. We will send out the letter & forms soon!

We would also like to thank Mr & Mrs Forshaw for their help with tidying our gardens, pond & woodlands. Their help has been amazing and it means we can now start planting outside with the children 😊

**Comic Relief - Red Nose Day** is Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March. 'Have a Laugh with your Class' is this year's theme. During the day, children will be given the opportunity to share jokes - it would be amazing if they could prepare some at home beforehand (age appropriate, of course!). The children have requested 'Wacky Hair', too - to add to the fun. We will also be selling red noses in school at £1.50 each **first come first served starting Monday 14 March.**

**Raising Money to Support the Ukrainian People**

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March we are asking children to come to school wearing blue and yellow which are the colours of the Ukrainian flag. Please send any donations into school and we will send all the money collected to the UK Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC). This organisation is supporting the Ukrainian people in the Ukraine and those who have fled to neighbouring countries. Every pound donated will be matched by the UK government through its Aid Match Scheme.

**Parking ☹️**

It has been reported that a driveway on Spring bank is regularly being blocked, possibly by one of our parents. Please be considerate of all our neighbours at drop off and collection times!!

**Raffle Prizes**

Do you have any good as new items that you can donate to school? We need them for our Y3 & Y4 play! All donations gratefully received. Thank you

**Reminder**

Y6 Boosting group is on Wednesdays 3.15 to 4.30 pm. Children are greatly benefiting from more 1-2-1 support. Children receive a drink & biscuit as snack too.

**IMPORTANT re Wraparound Thursday 17 March**

Wraparound will be in the KS2 middle area for breakfast today only. Please come into school through the Y3 classroom door.

**Dates for your Diary (January - April) .... Something to look forward to**

Weekly - Wednesday Y6 Boosting group 3.15 to 4.30 pm

Thursday 17 March	National Opera visiting for KS2 in the hall
Thursday 17 March	<b>Wraparound will be in the KS2 middle area for breakfast today only. Please come into school through the Y3 classroom door</b>
Friday 18 March	Comic Relief - Red Nose Day £1 Y6 will be selling red noses for £1.50 before this event
Tuesday 22 March	Y3 Trip to DEWA Chester PTA meeting via Zoom
Monday 28 March	Y4 Animal handling group visit to school
Tuesday 29 March	Parents evening in school
Thursday 31 March	Parents evening in school
Tuesday 5 April	Y3 & Y4 Spring production Y3 parents to watch
Wednesday 6 April	Y3 & Y4 Spring production Y4 parents to watch
Friday 8 April	Last day in school for Easter holidays
Monday 25 April	Return to school
Tuesday 3 & 4 May	Y4 Whitehall residential 1 night

**Inset days: 02.09.21, 03.09.21, 21.10.21, 22.10.21, 23.12.21, 27.6.22**

**May Day bank holiday is Monday 2 May 2022**

