

New Mills Primary School  
Newsletter No. 2  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to meet lots of parents outside school at drop off and pick up times. Please come and say hello if you have time! I am beginning to get to know the children. I am spending time in classrooms so that I can chat to the children and look at their work.

Next week we will be resuming assemblies as we are no longer working in "bubbles". Assemblies will take place in Key Stage groups to minimise numbers in the hall.

C Taylor - Head teacher

**Parking - IMPORTANT!**

Can I please remind you to be thoughtful about where you park your car when dropping off or collecting your child. We have received several complaints from residents on Godward Road, Scalot Close and Aldersgate saying that their drives have been blocked by cars belonging to our parents. This is not acceptable and we need to act in a courteous way towards our neighbours.

**Playtimes**

The weather is beginning to get colder so please make sure that your child has a warm coat as we try to get the children outside in all types of weather.

Children in Reception and Year 1 and 2 receive a piece of fruit every day to eat at break time.

Children in Key Stage 2 may bring a healthy snack. This snack should be low sugar and low fat. Eg fruit, malt loaf etc.

**Sunshine Shoeboxes 2021**

This year we are running an appeal to send shoeboxes filled with treats/presents to children and parents in the Volta Region of Ghana.

Please look out for the information leaflet sent separately by email. Please return all boxes to school by **Monday 1 November 2021**.

**Communication**

We understand that we need to communicate with parents in a more efficient way.

We are working hard to implement a new system which will make communication easier for everyone.

Please bear with us and we will inform you about any new systems as soon as we can.

**Christmas Fundraising- iQCards**

Reminder. All order forms and cheques must be returned by Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October.

**Clothing Recycling Bin**

We have a new bin in school. Please look on the PTA newsletter for what you can put in the clothing bin. Thank you.

**Sports events and school visits:**

Y3 & Y4 played seven a side football at the leisure centre because of the weather at the Pavilion. There were 22 girls and we played against 6 other schools. We had 2 y3 teams & 1 Y4 team, Y4 were the first team to play for our school. Every team played and our person in goal saved all the goals except 1!! The first team got through to the semi finals. We worked sooooo hard but didn't get through but our second team did!

The second team won all of their 3 matches and we won!!

Thank you to everyone who played so well on the day.

Written by Martha & Evie Y4.

**Food Bank Collection**

Reminder... We are collecting non- perishable food for New Mills Food bank. Please bring any donations into school by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October**.

**We are collecting Morrisons Good To Grow vouchers.**

Please send vouchers in to school.

**Message from the PTA**

We have a very hardworking group of parents on our PTA.

The PTA raise lots of money for our school and this money is used to enrich the learning experience for every child. If you think that you can help in any way please contact Patty on 07774 800937.

Please read the latest PTA newsletter which has been sent by email today.

**Community Events**

**Are You Playing Out?**

Play out with UK Sports Coaches and Being Outdoors Forest School leaders at Derby Road Park 5.30-7.30 every Wednesday. Further information can be found on [youthmattersnewmills@gmail.com](mailto:youthmattersnewmills@gmail.com)

**New Mills Craft Market**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 10-4pm St. George's Parish Hall.

## Dates for your Diary 2021 (Autumn Term 1)

### **October 2021**

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	9-12:30 Y3/4 gym competition
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Y3/4 boys football competition
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Australia Menu Day - children get to taste Australian food
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Y3 visit to Poole's Cavern
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 football festival
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Spooky Bake Off
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Map Quest - Y3/4
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Cross Country KS2
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	School closes for half term

### **November 2021**

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Children return to school
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