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Placing learners and learning at the heart of all that we do.

SPRING TERM 1 2024 DIARY DATES

02.01.24

Tuesday 6th February: Safer Internet Day
 Thursday 8th February: TLLT Music Event: Middlesbrough Town Hall 6pm
 Friday 9th February: **SCHOOL CLOSSES** – half term
 Monday 19th February: **SCHOOL OPENS**
 Monday 4th March: Professional Development Day: **SCHOOL CLOSED**
 Tuesday 19th March: Parent Consultations: Pupil Reports
 Wednesday 20th March: Parent Consultations: Pupil Reports
 Friday 22nd March: H TEMPEST Class photographs
 Friday 22nd March: **SCHOOL CLOSSES** end of term
 Monday 8th April: **SCHOOL OPENS** – Summer Term 1
 Friday 24th May: **SCHOOL CLOSSES** half term
 Monday 3rd June: **SCHOOL OPENS** – Summer Term 2
 Friday 19th July: **SCHOOL CLOSSES** end of term/school year
 Monday 22nd July: Professional Development Day: **SCHOOL CLOSED**

CONTACT NUMBERS

Please could you notify the school office if any of your contact details have changed - **address, landline number, mobile phone number, email address** etc. Thank you!

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have enjoyed their Maths week (Monday 29th January to Friday 2nd February). Thank you to those families who were able to pop in at the end of the day to find out about Maths in school and how you can support your child at home. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Well done to our representatives who attended the Middlesbrough Indoor Basketball, they were excellent competitors and we are super proud of them all 😊

YEAR 6 BREAKFAST BOOSTER CLUBS (Invitation Only)

Our Year 6 team have started their Breakfast Booster clubs to support groups of children with aspects of learning and building confidence, as they begin to prepare for their Statutory assessments (May 2024). Staff have invited a number of children to attend from 8am with breakfast provided. The Y6 Breakfast Boosters will be operating until 7th May and 8th May.

PARKING / DROP OFF

We have recently received complaints about the parking on Cayton Drive and Glendale Road. We would like to remind you about our 'drop off zone' on Cawood Drive which has proved to be a success in reducing traffic on Glendale Road. The Cawood Drive gate opens at 8.40am and is supervised by Staff. Pupils from Year 2 – Year 6 and families, where an older child can support siblings into school, can enter school from here. Have a try.....Drop and drive from Cawood Drive!

ATTENDANCE: LATES/ABSENCE

Since our return after the festive break, there has been **an increase in the number of pupils arriving late** for school. Just to remind you that our school doors open at 8.40am and close at 9.00am for registration. Any arrival after 9.00am must go through the school office and will be recorded as a late on your child's attendance record. We appreciate your support – Thank you! If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please notify the office on 01642 816884 or message via the gateway app.

LATES

Minutes late is learning lost!

Attendance and punctuality are important life skills, which will impact on your child's future.

Our doors open at 8.40am with registers closing at 9.00am

Lateness = lost learning (Figures below are calculated over a school year)	
5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost! (2 weeks)

2024 IMPORTANT DATES

We would like to make you aware that our Year 6, Year 2, Year 1 and Year 4 statutory assessments will be taking place during May and June 2024 this year.

Year 6 statutory assessments begin Monday 13th May and finish Friday 17th May 2024.

Year 2 (optional) statutory assessments begin Monday 20th May and finish 24th May 2024 (completed in smaller groups)

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check is the week beginning 10th June, finishing on the 14th June 2024

Year 4 mandatory Multiplication Tables Check take place between Monday 3rd – Friday 14th June 2024.

During this period we also complete our assessments for the rest of the school.

PARENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to those families who have already returned the Questionnaire. Your thoughts and opinions about Newham Bridge Primary School are valued and greatly appreciated. Please find the collated results....Thank you for your support!



January 2024 Results Questionnaire for Parents and Carers

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
1	My child feels safe at this school.	58%	41%	1%	-	1%
2	My child is happy at this school.	53%	42%	3%	-	1%
3	Communication from the school is clear. (Gateway app/newsletter, website, telephone, letters)	40%	52%	6%	-	1%
4	I feel happy about the care my child receives. This school ensures my child is well looked after.	49%	50%	-	-	-
5	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year. (Meetings, website – class pages)	40%	48%	3%	-	2%
6	My child is taught well and is encouraged to achieve at this school.	52%	46%	1%	-	1%
7	The school has high expectations for my child.	37%	56%	-	-	6%
8	There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school	47%	46%	2%	-	5%
9	The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved. Good behaviour and conduct are encouraged at this school.	41%	55%	2%	1%	2.3%
10	This school deals with any cases of bullying effectively. (Bullying includes persistent name-calling, cyber, racist and homophobic bullying).	29%	50%	2.3%	-	18%
11	The school supports my child's wider personal development.	32%	50%	2%	-	6%
12	I feel I can discuss queries and concerns with the school.	47%	50%	-	-	2%
13	When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly.	41%	49%	-	-	2.3%
14	This school helps me to support my child's learning.	50%	58%	1%	-	-
15	If your child has SEND (special educational needs) does the school give them the support they need to succeed.	13%	46%	1%	-	17%
16	Homework set, supports my child's learning in school. (Times tables Rock Stars: TTRS, Spellings etc)	46%	48%	1%	-	1%
17	The school lets me know how my child is doing. (Aut: Consultation, Spr: Annual report, Sum: Monitor report)	44%	52%	1%	1%	1%
18	My child does well at this school.	46%	49%	2%	-	2%
19	The school is well led and managed. (Leadership, Governing Body, Trust)	44%	43%	2%	-	7%
20	My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school	47%	40%	2.3%	-	6%
21	I would recommend this school to another parent.	36%	42%	1%	1%	2.3%

FURTHER COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS.....Many thanks for these.

* Qu 7: More belief in ability than expectations

* Thank you!

* My children are happy in school. I feel comfortable talking to teachers and office, if I have queries and questions

* Lovely school staff are always friendly. HT runs school well.

* My child has taken a while to settle and school have been supportive

* All teaching staff are supportive and office staff are superb too. Thank you!

* School has supported. Staff do a fantastic job, as friendship issues have been addressed and support provided.

- * Qu 10: We have positive impressions – we have no experience of these issues. Many families had limited experiences to comment on Qu 10 – this was left blank on many questionnaires.
- * More stuff for kids at dinnertime eg food for older children – more choice.
- * I feel comfortable speaking to teachers. Unacceptable behaviour seen/heard by teacher is dealt with.
- * The school is great, my child loves it here.
- * Thank you for great teaching and environment that's provided for my child
- * Lovely to see staff member in the playground on a morning greeting pupils.
- * I'd like to say 'Thank you!'
- * Children should receive bigger portions for lunch
- * Nursery staff offer lots of support and are doing a great job getting my child ready for Reception.
- * I'd like to say thank you to all the teaching staff. You're all brilliant!
- * My child has just started in Nursery and she is happy and comfortable. Thank you!
- * There are times when younger persons language (swears) is an issue. Presence in the playground is well received.
- * Staff seem unenthusiastic working with small children, with minimal interaction with parents about the day.
- * Staff and HT are approachable
- * Questionnaire not purely based on present experience.....staff changes are required in my opinion
- * Lovely to see a staff member in the playground on a morning greeting pupils.
- * I would appreciate if the school teachers would take extra time to listen to the children when they complain/ report to them. Thank you.
- * My child has recently had some anxiety about school, but I think it is due to challenge of learning subjects as they increase in difficulty.

PARKING/PARENTS

- * Cars parked outside of school is an issue
- * Needs to be a staff member on Cayton Drive.
- * Please could there be suggestions to Parents not to smoke at drop off and pick up times on Cayton Drive.
- * Love the new parking buddies, however it hasn't stopped parents dropping off further down the road which is inconsiderate – It is the same parents daily

COMMUNICATION:

- * Qu 3: Could be clearer in letters eg Nativity
- * Sometimes difficult to find homework and spelling on the website. Would be brilliant if two parents could access the gateway app. We have spoken to the Reception team and it has not been possible.
- * The report format half way through the year is clear and school could provide links to learning sites to help.
- * Only been in school for a few months, still struggling to find appropriate info on website for spelling and homework.
- * Contacted school via email – didn't get acknowledged.
- * Communication would be better if it could be accessed by both parents.
- * Emailing newsletters would be preferable than the paper newsletter. They could be sent to multiple parents.
- * The classes section for Y2 is not updated. Last update was Christmas!
- * A rewards app to see rewards given throughout the day would be beneficial
- * Booking appointments on the school app is difficult and I'm not able to do so, making it harder for my involvement.
- * Accident slips often found in book bag not passed to person picking up
- * Would be lovely to see children having fun with activities (photos)
- * More communication: Drop off and settling in

EXTRA CURRICULAR PROVISION:

- * Different physical activities to cover children's interests
- * Breakfast Club Provision and more dress-up days
- * It would be great for more ASClubs which run until 5-6pm, supporting working parents.
- * My child has not been in the school long enough. The only reason I would not recommend the school – it has no Breakfast/ASClub. Other than this the school is great and my child loves it here.
- * My daughter enjoys school and after school clubs
- * More for children out of school: discos, fayres. Open climbing frame.
- * Lack of breakfast and after school clubs. School doesn't take part in World Book Day and football events like other schools.

The questionnaire results are shared with all Staff, the Local Governing Board and The Legacy Learning Trust. We would like to thank you again for your feedback and comments.

Have a great weekend!

B Hewitt-Best

SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL DINNERS

School lunches are ordered in advance. To enable our cook to prepare, we are required to give one week's notice of any changes in lunchtime arrangements. If you wish to change your child's meal type (School lunch-packed lunch /packed lunch- school lunch) please contact the school office 01642 816884, one week in advance. Thank you!

PACKED LUNCHES: If your child is bringing a packed lunch, please ensure there are **NO NUTS**, as **we are a NUT-FREE school**, no sweets/chocolate bars and please provide a still drink, no fizzy drinks. Thank you!

TERM TIME HOLIDAYS

School attendance is mandatory for all pupils. Parents should plan their holidays around school breaks and avoid seeking permission to take their children out of school.

School holidays during term time will not be authorised.

Fixed Penalty Notices are being issued by the LA.

MEDICATION



Only prescribed medication (4x daily) can be given in school.

All medication **MUST** be delivered to and collected from the school office.

Thank you!

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

The following after school clubs are running this term and will be continuing after half term. Clubs finish between 4pm - 4.20pm. Please note finishing times! Please could children be collected at the correct time and notify the school office if your collection arrangements change. Thank you!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Choir at lunchtime Crochet – 4pm Basketball – 4.10pm Bible Explorers - 4.10pm	Y6 Homework – 4pm Mighty Warriors – 4.10pm	KS2 Multi-skills – 4.10pm (PE KIT)	KS1 Multi-skills at lunchtime Thursday Club - 4.15pm Little Explorers – 4.10pm	Archery - 4.20pm

SPRING TERM 1 PE DAYS: PE sessions will be changing after half term and we ask that the Year 1 – Year 6 children **come to school in their kit** (white t-shirt, black shorts, joggers and a sweatshirt, plimsolls or trainers). The children's new PE days are:

PE TIMETABLE : SPRING TERM	
M	Years 1 and 2 (1HL, 1TS, 1MG)
T	Year 5 (2CR/ 2BV) pm
W	Nursery/ Reception Year 3/4 (2BH/2HH/2SS) (pm)
Th	Reception
F	Year 6 (2DJ/ 2KT)



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