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Everyone Welcome...Everyone Included

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Tuesday, the Parent, Friends and Teacher Association (PFTA) met for its Annual General Meeting. I would like to thank all members for their efforts in improving the opportunities for our children. I would particularly like to thank on behalf of all children, families and staff the work of Jo Hughes, Mel Kyle, Jacqui Smith and Will Burton for their hard work over the last two years. Without their commitment we would not have enjoyed so many special events. A very warm welcome to Kasia Burke (Chair), Farzana Afzaal (Vice Chair), Swasthika Ramlall (Secretary) as well as Will Burton who is returning as Treasurer.

School life is full of new beginnings and endings; it is with sadness that I write to inform you that Mrs. Linda Ellsom has decided to retire following 24 years of work at Newport School. Linda is part of the daily fabric of Newport and we will miss her very much. She will be leaving us at the end of December - but I am sure that she will be back to share her expertise! You will notice that we are advertising for two positions in the office following this news and because Lwam Tesfay has decided to continue with her Masters studies and will be leaving us in December.

Black History celebration was fantastic. I hope you enjoyed IROKO. Congratulations to the children who attended the Black History Quiz at Jenny Hammond School and were awarded medals for their participation. It was a joy to spend the afternoon with them.

I would like to wish all families a happy Diwali which falls during half term. Enjoy a safe half term. Remember the clocks go back. I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 31st October.

Kind regards
Prue Barnes
Headteacher

Attendance

KS1

Yellow - 98.9%

KS2

Jamni and

Sona-100%

If your child is absent from school please phone the office on 0208 539 4552 by 10am.

Diwali दीपावली

Diwali involves the lighting of small clay lamps (in Sanskrit दीप) filled with oil to signify the triumph of good over evil. During Diwali, all the celebrants wear new clothes and share sweets and snacks with family members and friends.



Golden Book

Grey - Hafsah and Enjis

Gris - Asia and Farah

Salaeti - Azaan and huda

Yellow - Gabrielle and

Yagmur

Jaune - Saida and Saqib

Peela - Burhan and Deen

Green - Naison and Kamran

Sabaz - Hafsa and Saimonas

Vert - Ilie and Atif

Blue - Joshua and Shireen

Bleu - Maria and Charlie

Neela - Christopher and

Houda

Purple - Lorena and Dominika

Violet - Adam and Aima

Jamni - Yousuf and Salem

Gold - Sameer and Lora

Or - Marius and Katrina

Sona - James and Lyba

E-Safety talk @ Newport

Christian Smith has been invited to deliver an e-safety talk to Parents/Carers on **9th November at 9am, KS2 Hall.** Please come along and find out how we can help our children to keep safe on the Internet.

Black History Month Celebrations

We hope you enjoyed the celebration of black and ethnic minority history. This annual event aims to look at different histories from around the world. This makes us more connected, open to different traditions and knowledgable about history from various perspectives.

We enjoyed IROKO music and dancing. Many thanks to parents/carers and friends who contributed food. Check the website for pictures of the event!

Reminder

Please ensure that you pick your child up on time after school or make alternative arrangements. If you have made alternative arrangement you will need to let the office know beforehand. **Children who are not picked up by 3.30pm will automatically be sent to Teatime Club and you will be charged.**

TICK TOCK!
Clocks go back 1
hour on 30th
October.

Diary Dates

2011/2012

24th - 28th October

Half term

17th November

Open Evening

12th December

Carols by Candlelight

13th - 16th December

Winter Festivals including EYFS Nativity

19th December - 2nd January

Winter break

3rd January

Year 6 Parent/Carer Meeting

3rd February

INSET Day - School Closed

13th - 17th February

Half Term

8th March

Open Evening

30th March

Easter Bonnet Parade

2nd - 15th April

Spring Break

20th April

Maths Day

7th May

May Day/Bank Holiday

25th May

INSET Day - School Closed (TBC)

4th - 8th June

Half Term

11th June

Whole School Class Photographs

18th - 22nd June

Enterprise Week

29th June

Science Day

4th July

Year 6 Transition day

6th July

INSET Day

9th July

Sports Day

12th July

Open Evening