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Newsletter

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Message from Mr. Krafft & Mrs. Deevoy

The year is flying past and we are now getting into the festive season. As we write this, there is the scent of oranges wafting through the school due to the children preparing for their Christingle service. EYFS and KS1 practicing for the nativity regularly fills the corridors with singing and laughter and the PFA are working hard preparing for the Christmas party. It is always a magical, but busy, time of year in school.

There are plenty of exciting events on the way before the year is out, including parties and school trips, so make sure you keep your eye on Ping as that is how we will communicate key information. Also keep an eye on our Twitter feed (@NewingtonCEP) as we share lots of pictures from the classes.

As always, thank you for your continued support!

Kind regards,

Mr Krafft & Mrs Deevoy

Staffing Update

Mrs Jones will be leaving Newington at the end of term to work at a school closer to home. We wish her every success in her new role and would like to thank her for all her hard work over the years.

From January, year 2 will be taught by Mrs Baptie, who is returning following maternity leave, and Miss Williams.



PFA Christmas Party

On the afternoon of Friday 8th December, the PFA will be hosting their Christmas Party and we are expecting a very special visit from Father Christmas! There will be no charge for the children to see the big man, and the children will all receive a gift - this has been funded by the PFA.

Refreshments and party treats (ranging from 50p - £1.50) will be available to purchase so please send the children in with a small amount of money. This will

also be a non-uniform day so children can party to their heart's content!

PFA Chocolate Hamper Raffle

Tickets are on sale for the PFA raffle. Tickets are £1 per strip, and the raffle will be drawn the day of the Christmas Party. Thank you as always for your support, From the Newington PFA

Charity Update

We are delighted to report that we raised over £230 for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Once again, we are so grateful for your amazing generosity. Thank you!

Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumpers

Christmas dinner will be served on Wednesday 13th December. CH&Co will be posting the special menu very soon and parents will be able to order online. Children are encouraged to wear their Christmas jumpers on the same day, replacing their school jumper (the rest of the uniform remains the same), so we can all truly get into the festive spirit!

Open Classrooms

The school will be holding open classrooms on Wednesday 13th December 3:15 pm – 4pm. This is a chance for you to come in and see your child's classroom, look at their books and informally chat to their teacher. We look forward to seeing you there.

Clubs

You should have received Ping messages about the clubs your child can attend but below is a list of what we currently offer. If you have any ideas for future clubs, please let us know.

Monday	
Netball – Yrs 4,5 & 6	Mrs Jones
Tuesday	
Choir – KS1 & KS2	Mrs Calder
Reading Rockstar Club – KS1 & KS2	Miss Blackburn
Creative Book Club – KS1	Mrs Barton
Wednesday	
Tennis – Y1, 2, 3 & 4	Danny Wynn
Family Crafts – Whole School	The Creation Station
Thursday	
Football – Yrs 5 & 6	Mr Lloyd
Drawing Club – KS1 & KS2	Miss Guthrie
Tag Rugby – Yrs 3 & 4	Mrs Calder



Dates for Your Diary

Below is an outline of some of the things we have planned this year. We hope to add to this and will send messages through School Ping to individual classes. Please ensure you check School Ping to stay up to date with the latest events going on in your child's class. Please be aware that dates are subject to change although we will try to keep this to a minimum.

INSET DAYS – Pupils do not Attend

Inset Day – Friday 1 December 2023

Inset Day – Tuesday 2 January 2024

Inset Day – Friday 21 June 2024

Inset Day – Monday 1 July 2024

Term 2

November

- Wednesday 29th November – Christingle Service – Not open to families – Newington Church
- Thursday 30th November – Year 6 Parliament Trip

December

- Monday 4th December EYFS & KS1 Nativity
- Tuesday 5th December EYFS & KS1 Nativity
- Wednesday 6th December EYFS & KS1 Nativity
- Friday 8th December – PFA Christmas Party & non-uniform
- Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day
- Wednesday 13th December – Open Classrooms 3:15pm – 4:00pm
- Friday 15th December – End of Term 2

Term 3

January

- Wednesday 3rd January – Start of Term 3
- January – New Year, New Me – Positive Choices Month

February

- Tues 6th February - Safer Internet Day
- Friday 9th February – End of Term 3

Term 4

- Monday 19th February – Start of Term 4
- Monday 19th February – Lent Project

March

- Monday 4th March – Friday 8th March World Book Week
- Thursday 7th March – World Book Day
- Monday 11th – Friday 15th March – Science Week
- Monday 25th March – Start of Easter Trail
- Thursday 28th March – End of Term 4

Term 5

April

- Monday 15th April – Start of Term 5
- Monday 15th April – Easter Service – In School – Not open to families
- Monday 22nd April – Earth Day
- Tuesday 23rd April – St Georges Day

May

- Monday 13th May - KS2 SATs Week
- Friday 17th May – Class and Leavers Photos
- Monday 20th May - Charity Week (Planning)
- Friday 24th May – End of Term 5

Term 6

June

- Monday 3rd June – Start of Term 6
- Monday 3rd June – Charity Week (Activities)
- Wednesday 19th June - Sports Day

July

- July 1st – July 20th Try something New Month
- Tuesday 23rd July – End of Term 6