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Newsletter

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Realising the God-Given Potential in Everyone

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Message from Mr. Krafft & Mrs. Deevoy

It's the 2024 – 2025 academic year! For some of you it will feel like only yesterday you were reading last year's letter. For others this will be your first time! Which ever category you fall under, on behalf of everyone at Newington CEP School, we just want to say "welcome!"

The new Acorn class have settled in beautifully and are quickly establishing themselves as part of the fabric of the school. They will soon be meeting their buddies and getting more involved in whole school activities. It has been a pleasure to welcome them. Thank you for all of your help at home in ensure the transition to primary school has been a smooth one.

We have an exciting year planned, and there is plenty more still being arranged. Our aim is to Realise the God-Given Potential in Everyone, so if you have any ideas or can support in anyway, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. One way to be involved in school life is to join the PFA. We have a fantastic group of families who organise and run events and memorable experiences. They are always looking for extra help, so please contact the school office if you would like to get involved.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to working with you through 24-25.

Kind regards,
Mr Krafft & Mrs Deevoy

Parent Pay

Parent Pay is the new way you can order and pay for your child's school dinner. Everyone should now have their log in information. Please start using Parent Pay to order and pay for dinners as soon as possible. The grace period with our new dinner providers is coming to an end so this will soon be the only way you can order and pay for dinners.



Pick up and Drop off

Please remember the gates will close at 8:45am in the morning and the school day will end at 3:15pm. Please ensure you are respectful of our neighbours and follow the road markings when parking your cars. Thank you for your support.

Bags

Bags must be book bags & drawstring bags only. As the school population has grown we are really pushed for corridor hanging space and this measure has helped keep corridors safe and clear for everyone. Thank you for continuing to help with this.

Water Bottles

Pupils should continue to bring in a named water bottle to school. This should only contain water and any juice will be emptied. Juice boxes etc. can be included with packed lunches if you wish.

Harvest Festival

On Friday 27th September we will be holding our annual Harvest Service in St. Mary's Church, Newington. 10.45am. Families are very welcome to join us but please be aware space is limited and we cannot promise seating with the best sightlines.

As in previous years, if you are able, we are asking for donations to Sittingbourne Food Bank. The children will carry these to the altar as part of our service. Children can bring non-perishable items to school and keep in their classroom on or before the day. Any non-perishable food items, within date, would be welcomed.

We thank you for your anticipated generosity and look forward to you joining us for our service.



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	
Football – Years 5 & 6	Mr Lloyd
Spanish (Lunchtime) – Years 3 to 6	Mrs Baptie
Tag Rugby – Years 3 - 6	Miss Hendry
Tuesday	
Choir – Years 1 to 6	Mrs Calder
Colouring and Craft Club – Year 2 to 6	Miss Blackburn
Pupil Parliament (Lunchtime) – Whole School	Miss Bell
Wednesday	
Tennis – Years 1 to 5	Danny Wynn
Thursday	
Girls Football – Years 3 – 6	Mr Lloyd & Mr Krafft
Construction Club Years 1 & 2	Mrs Barton
Wellbeing – Years 1 & 2	Mrs Longstaff
Gardening Club – Those finishing off from last term	Mrs Tidy

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 – Monday 2 September 2024

Inset Day – Friday 25 October 2024

Inset Day – Monday 6 January 2025

Inset Day – Friday 20 June 2025

Inset Day – Friday 11 July 2025

May Bank Holiday – Monday 5 May 2025

Term 1

September

- Thursday 19th September – Y6 Bikeability
- Monday 23rd September – Safety Week
- Wednesday 25th September – Y6 Creed Team Building
- Thursday 26th September – Y5 Rail Safety Visit
- Friday 27th September – Y1 & 2 Scooter Training
- Friday 27th September – Harvest Festival

October

- Tuesday 1st October – Friday 25th October – Heritage & British Values month
- Friday 4th October – Individual and Sibling Photos
- Friday 18th October – Show Racism the Red Card Day
- Tuesday 22nd October – Parents Evening – 15:30 – 17:30

- Wednesday 23rd October – Parents Evening – 16:30 – 18:30
- Friday 25th October – INSET DAY – Pupils do not attend
- Friday 25th October – End of Term 1

Term 2

November

- Monday 4th November – Start of Term 2
- Friday 8th November – Remembrance Assembly
- Mon 11th - Fri 15th November - Anti-bullying week
- Friday 22nd November – Flu Immunisation
- Friday 29th November – Christingle Service - Not open to families – Newington Church

December

- Tuesday 10th December – EYFS & KS1 Nativity – Dress Rehearsal
- Wednesday 11th December – EYFS & KS1 Nativity – 2pm
- Thursday 12th December – EYFS & KS1 Nativity – 2pm
- Friday 20th December – Christmas Service – Newington Church
- Friday 20th December – End of Term 2



Term 3

January

- Monday 6th January – Start of Term 3
- Monday 6th January – INSET DAY – Pupils do not attend

February

- Monday 3rd February – Friday 7th February – Children’s Mental Health Week
- Tuesday 14th February – End of Term 3

Term 4

- Monday 24th February – Start of Term 4

March

- Monday 3rd – Friday 7th March World Book Week
- Tuesday 4th March – Pancake Races
- Wednesday 5th March – Lent Project
- Thursday 6th March – World Book Day
- Monday 10th – Friday 14th March – Science Week
- Friday 21st March – World Down Syndrome Day
- Monday 31st March – Start of Easter Trail

April

- Friday 4th April – End of Term 4



Term 5

- Tuesday 22nd April – Start of Term 5
- Wednesday 23rd April – St Georges Day

May

- Monday 5th May – Bank Holiday
- Monday 12th May - KS2 SATs Week
- Friday 16th May – Class Photographs
- Monday 19th May - Charity Week (Planning)
- Friday 23rd May – End of Term 5



Term 6

June

- Monday 2nd June – Start of Term 6
- Monday 2nd June – Charity Week (Activities)
- Monday 2nd June – Year 6 Activity Week - TBC
- Wednesday 18th June - Sports Day
- Friday 20th June – INSET DAY – Pupils do not attend

July

- Tuesday 1st July – 22nd July - Try something New Month
- Friday 11th July – INSET DAY – Pupils do not attend
- Tuesday 22nd July – End of Term 6