

A blue ribbon banner with the word 'HIGHLIGHTS' written in yellow capital letters.

All three classes this week have been learning about fundamental British values, including democracy, and for the first time we have set up an Academy Council. Each class had the chance to vote for a boy and a girl to represent them and alongside Mrs Hall these council members will be finding ways to improve the school.

It is our pleasure to announce that Newquay Primary Academy's council representatives will be....Tallulah and Rafael from Severn class, Henry and Freya from Tamar class and Ollie and Iona from Joshua class. We can't wait to see the fantastic impact the Academy Council will have on academy life.





On Friday 17th November the children reached for their spotty clothes and were challenged to see how many 'Bearpees' they could do, all to raise money for Children in Need. Some of the children could be the next Joe Wicks with their impressive 'Bearpee' numbers! We raised a fantastic amount of £107.50 and we'd like to thank you all for your support and donations to this wonderful cause.

COMING UP IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS



Over the coming week Joshua Class will be going to the Land of Far Away to work in the Jolly Postman's Post Office. Here they will be as busy as elves sending letters, parcels and stamping lots of important work. The class will be making Christmas gifts and learning about how children around the world celebrate. Joshua class will also be working hard in class to practise their parts for the nativity play.








In the next couple of weeks, Tamar class will continue to use their science knowledge and become budding meteorologists, collecting data on recent rainfalls and wind gusts in their local area. Alongside this topic, they will be working hard to create Christmas decorations and props for their nativity, whilst continuing to rehearse the songs and their spoken parts. The children will also be delving further into the book 'The Polar Express', with the possibility of a surprise trip...



Severn class will be doing all things Christmas! They will be busy practising their parts in the nativity play, ready to wow the audience with their acting and singing skills. They will also be working together to decorate their classroom and get it looking all festive.

Attendance for Newquay Primary Academy

	Joshua Class: 98.3% Tamar Class: 94.4% Severn Class: 96.3%		Joshua Class: 98.7% Tamar Class: 98.4% Severn Class: 98.2%
			
			

Week of 13th November 2023

Week of 20th November 2023

The academy works closely with the Education Welfare Officer to support families who have low attendance figures. When a child's attendance drops below 90% it is identified as 'persistence absence' and the EWO will contact the family to offer support. Please ensure that your child is in school on time. Arrivals after 8.50am are marked as late in the register. Please contact the academy office if any support is required – we are here to help.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court.

Update from the Department of Education

This week we received an update from the Department of Education on the new school building.

'The works to replace the Caledonian school are progressing well. Demolition of the defective structure has been completed allowing inspection of the existing foundations. We surveyed the Caledonian foundations when the structure had been removed and they were also found to be defective and have therefore been removed. During the removal process an unforeseen below ground basement structure was discovered and this was found to contain asbestos. All asbestos has now been safely removed from site (following the necessary 2-week notification period to the HSE) and the existing basement structure has started to be removed. This has unfortunately delayed the construction of the new foundations. Fill material has started to be placed below the building footprint in preparation for the new concrete foundations. October/early November has been a very wet period (with 3 named storms). The remedial process has understandably been delayed owing to the recent wet weather. The new structural steel frame has been fabricated and it should start to be erected in January. Overall, the works are currently c. 8 weeks behind programme, however Kier anticipate that some of this delay should be able to be recovered between now and completion, which is now likely to be in November 2024.'

We will keep you updated as and when we can.

Huge warm welcome to our new Office Manager

Pippa Townley has now joined the team and you will find her in the office working alongside Tracey. Pippa will be working hard to get up to speed so please bear with her as she settles into the new role. She is excited to get to know all of the children, parents and carers.

Office Opening Hours

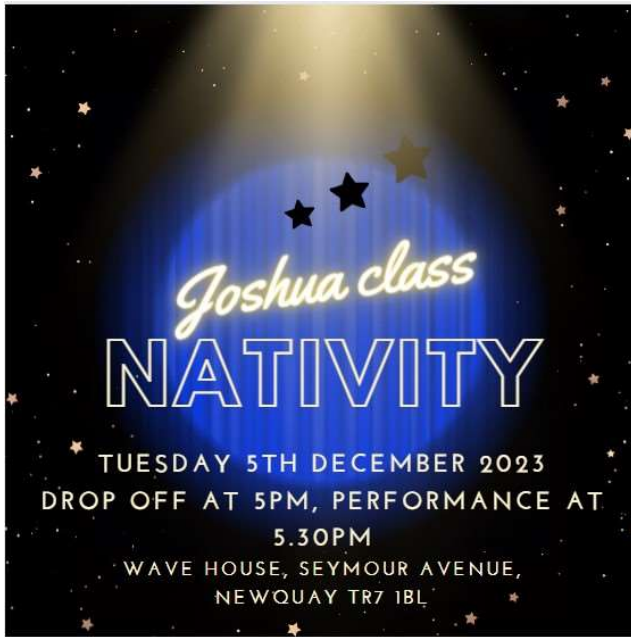
The academy office opening hours are 8.00am until 3.30pm Monday to Thursday and 8.00am until 1.30pm on a Friday. If you need to speak to Tracey in the office, please contact between these hours.

Important dates to remember

Tuesday 5 th December 2023	Joshua class nativity performance	5.30pm @ Wave House Church, Newquay
Wednesday 6 th December 2023	Tamar class & Severn class joint nativity performance	5.30pm @ Wave House Church, Newquay
Thursday 12 th December 2023	Autumn Term Interhouse Sports Festival	All classes
Wednesday 13 th December 2023	Christmas cinema trip	All classes
Wednesday 13 th December 2023	Christian Aid Concert 6pm – 7.15pm	Severn Class – 5.40 @ St Michaels Church
Monday 18th December 2023 – Friday 5th January 2024: Christmas break		
Monday 8th January 2024: first day back after the Christmas break		

Christmas Nativity

Details on the Christmas Nativities will be sent out early next week and we look forward to seeing the children in their dazzling performances.



Joshua class
NATIVITY
TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2023
DROP OFF AT 5PM, PERFORMANCE AT 5.30PM
WAVE HOUSE, SEYMOUR AVENUE,
NEWQUAY TR7 1BL



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