



Newquay Primary Academy

NEWS BULLETIN

HIGHLIGHTS

We have loved welcoming everyone back after the Christmas break. It's been lovely hearing about what all the children got up to in the holidays. There were some fantastic pictures and stories shared with their friends in class and we can't wait to see what 2024 brings for all our pupils, friends and families.

And to kick off an exciting year, the academy was covered in snow this Thursday! The children in Joshua took full advantage and enjoyed exploring the snow at playtime, and there may even have been a few snowballs thrown as well!



COMING UP IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

JOSHUA CLASS

Over the next few weeks Joshua class will be finding out about our solar system and asking questions like 'Why can I see the moon during the day?' Joshua class will be writing to our alien friend to tell him about what life is like on planet Earth.

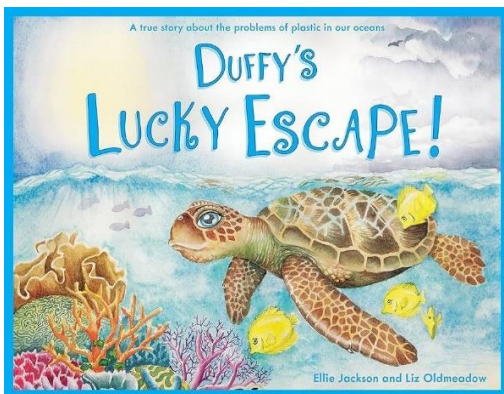
TAMAR CLASS

Over the next two weeks, Tamar class will be exploring the life of dinosaurs in even more detail. They will be continuing with their design and technology project of creating a dinosaur puppet, welcoming in a local author to share her books, and learning all about the history behind Mary Anning. Tamar are also looking forward to welcoming in their parents for 'The Big Bang Workshop', whereby they will be creating paper-mache volcanoes with adult support. It is going to be totally roarsome!

SEVERN CLASS

Severn class have not 1 but 2 visitors in over the next couple of weeks! The first will be a drumming workshop with traditional African Djembe drums to accompany our African call and response music lessons. Secondly, we have a visit from the author Ellie Jackson, more details below.

Author Visit 25th January – Tamar and Severn Class





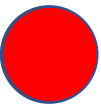
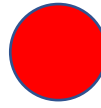


Ellie Jackson will be coming to the school to talk about her book 'Duffy's Lucky Escape!' and to do some creative writing and illustration workshops with Tamar and Severn Class. The Newquay Towan Blystra Lions have kindly donated funding for this so every child will also receive a signed copy of one of Ellie's books free of charge.

SEND Support Sessions – Thursday Mornings

Kate Rose-Lean, our SENDCo, will now be available every Thursday morning if you wish to book a 15 minute session to talk to her about any concerns you may have. These will run from 8.30am – 10am and can be booked through Mrs Payne in the office by Wednesday of that week.

Attendance for Newquay Primary Academy

	Tamar Class: 97% Severn Class: 98.2%		Tamar Class: 99.1% Severn Class: 97.6%
	Joshua Class: 92%		Joshua Class: 92.8%
			

Week of 8th January 2024

Week of 15th January 2024

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.

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 Mrs Payne in the office, please contact between these hours.

Important dates to remember

Friday 19 th January 2024	Orchard Trip	Joshua Class
Thursday 25 th January 2024	Author Visit from Ellie Jackson	Tamar & Severn Class
Thursday 1 st February 2024	Big Bang Workshop	Tamar Class
Friday 2 nd February 2024	Orchard Trip	Joshua Class
Friday 2 nd February 2024	Number Day	All Classes – Information to follow
Thursday 8 th February	Parent Sewing Session	Severn Class
Monday 12th February 2024 – Friday 16th February 2024: Spring Half Term		
Monday 19th February 2024: first day back		

