



# Newquay Primary Academy

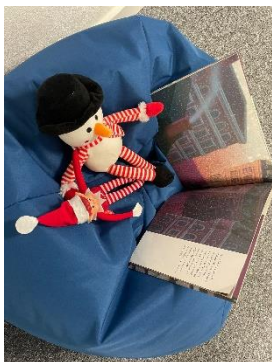
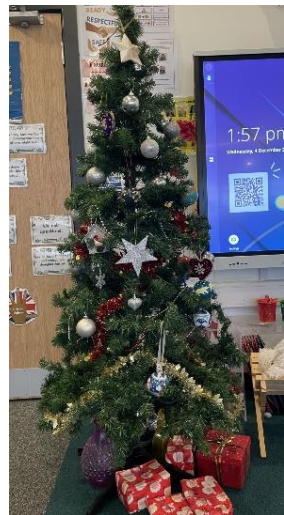
## NEWS BULLETIN



### HIGHLIGHTS

#### Getting ready for Christmas!

We have been getting into the Christmas spirit this week at the academy, eagerly preparing for the festive season ahead. Each class has decorated a beautiful tree, adding to the joyful atmosphere around the school. Trent Class, in particular, has had some extra fun with visits from a mischievous elf, bringing plenty of festive cheer and surprises!



Twinkle Pickle-Eyes found reading Trent's copy of the Polar Express with Frosty the Snowman!



Twinkle Pickle-Eyes fell off the whiteboard in Trent's classroom, he bandaged himself up and filled in an accident form!

## Tamar Class Gets Ready for the Polar Express Trip!

In preparation for their upcoming trip to the Polar Express (Bodmin Steam Train), Tamar Class got into the festive spirit by donning their pyjamas and receiving a golden ticket. They settled down with a hot chocolate to enjoy the story of *The Polar Express*.

In the story, the boy dreams of receiving a silver bell from Santa's sleigh, just like the silver bells that were delivered to Tamar's classroom during the week! The magical line from the story, "The bell still rings for those who truly believe," resonated with the class, and Tamar Class agreed that their silver bells must have come straight from Santa too!



## Newquay Lantern Parade

A big thank you to all the pupils and grown-ups who came out to support Newquay Primary Academy at the Newquay Lantern Parade, held at Trenance Gardens and Cottages. It was a wonderful evening, and we were truly amazed by the beautiful lanterns our pupils had made in class. It was the perfect way to kick off the festive season.



## COMING UP IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

### JOSHUA CLASS

Joshua's classroom has turned into Santa's workshop. The elves are busy learning about the magic of Christmas and why we give gifts. They are busy making Christmas surprises for their family. Next week our security camera is going to pick up a Christmas surprise!

### TAMAR CLASS

As part of our RE unit, Tamar class will be answering the question "Why and how do Christians celebrate Christmas?" Children will be visiting a Christian church, making their own Christmas cards and decorations and singing Christmas songs. To mark the end of our English unit on "The Polar Express", Tamar class will be boarding the steam train themselves for a day of festive fun on Thursday 12th December.

### SEVERN CLASS

Over the last few weeks of term, Severn will be concluding their learning with computing and Religious Education. For computing, Severn will be looking at algorithms and programming using beebots within a maze to give these instructions to. For RE we will be looking at how different faiths celebrate births and marriages as well as the traditions that surround Christmas. We will also be doing lots of singing and Makaton practice ahead of our Christmas carols on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

### TRENT CLASS

Trent Class has an exciting couple of weeks ahead! After settling in with their new teacher, the children have been working hard and showcasing their abilities. In Geography, we'll continue studying UK mountain regions, focusing on Snowdonia. In RE, we'll explore the Hindu story of Arjuna and Krishna. In History, we'll wrap up our Cradles of Civilizations unit, looking at similarities between ancient civilizations and their art.

In English and Vipers, we'll finish *The Polar Express*, while in Maths, we'll focus on multiplying by 8 and 10. In Foundation subjects, the children will complete art flashbacks, construct ziggurats in DT, finish our computing unit, and explore shadows in science. Despite our packed schedule, Trent Class will also enjoy a land train trip and Christmas activities!

## ACADEMY LUNCH BOOKINGS

This is a gentle reminder that lunches need to be booked on ParentPay by Sunday for the following week.

We must submit the numbers to Chartwells on Monday, so timely bookings are essential. Thank you for your cooperation.



# INTRODUCING MS GEACH

## TRENT CLASS TEACHER

Hello! My name is Ms Geach and I am the new Trent Class Teacher. I am a South African British citizen and after teaching in London for 9 years, my partner and I decided to move to Newquay to be closer to family, the sea and nature. I love keeping active and I will always give anything a go. My newest hobby is cold-water dips! I enjoy Lindy Hop dancing weekly and I take art classes locally. You may also find me swimming or surfing at South Fistral, watching the sunset on Pentire or supporting South African rugby with friends! I am really looking forward to being a part of the growing NPA community. Thank you for welcoming me into the school so warmly!



### Christmas Performances – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December

**CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES**

**Joshua Class - Tuesday 10th December**  
At Wave House, Seymour Avenue, Newquay, TR7 1BL

Children to be dropped off at 5pm in costume  
Show start time: 5.15pm  
\* 4 x adult guests per pupil (siblings welcome too)

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### The NPA Christmas Fayre – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December

A Reminder that we'll be opening the doors to our very first **Christmas Fayre** on **Friday, 13th December!**







Come and join us for an afternoon of festive fun:

- Browse and purchase beautiful craft items made by our talented pupils
- Try your luck at our exciting **Tombola**
- Enjoy a heartwarming performance by our amazing **Choir**
- Treat yourself to delicious baked goods, kindly provided by our PTA

The fayre will run until **4:15pm**, and it would be lovely to see as many friends and family of **Newquay Primary Academy** as possible.

We can't wait to celebrate the season with you!

## Attendance for Newquay Primary Academy

	<b>Serven Class: 99.2%</b> <b>Tamar Class: 98.5%</b> <b>Trent Class: 97.9%</b>		<b>Severn Class: 96.2%</b> <b>Trent Class: 96.8%</b>
			<b>Tamar Class: 95.3%</b> <b>Joshua Class: 95.9%</b>
	<b>Joshua Class: 90%</b>		

*Week of 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024*

*Week of 2<sup>nd</sup> December 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 £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 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. Please see our website for more information on our attendance policy: [Newquay Primary Academy - Attendance](#)*

### Office Opening Hours

The academy office opening hours are 8.00am until 3.30pm Monday to Friday. If you need to speak to Mrs Payne in the office, please contact between these hours.

Our teachers are available at the start and end of the academy day at your child's classroom door, please do not hesitate to talk to them if you have a query.

### Important dates to remember

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Tamar Class to St Columb Minor Church	Tamar
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	NPA Nativity – 5pm	Joshua
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Trent Trip on the Land Train	Trent
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Choir to perform at St Michael's Church	Choir
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Trip to Santa Train Bodmin	Tamar
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Celebrations – 5pm	Tamar, Severn, Trent
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fayre at NPA 3.15pm - 4.15pm	All Classes
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Tamar Library Trip	Tamar
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Cinema Trip	All classes
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner Day	All classes
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December: Last day of Autumn term</b>		
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January: First Day of Spring term</b>		



Parents at Newquay Primary Academy are being offered full gym membership at Wax Gym for £35 a month instead of £44. This allows you access to the gym during staffed hours 5.30am - 9.30pm Monday to Friday and 7.45am - 4pm at weekends.