



Christmas plays

Newquay Primary Academy celebrated its first Christmas performances since settling into its new temporary home at NQY Sports Centre.



On Tuesday 6th December, Tamar Class performed Away In A Manger to academy friends and family. Away in a Manger is a delightful children's nativity play about a proud donkey called Maurice, who has become rather attached to his manger and the commotion that ensues when he has to share it with a long list of visitors.



On Wednesday 7th December 2022, Joshua Class gave an energetic performance of A King Is Born, which tells the traditional nativity story... with a song, dance and knee slide along the way.

Mr Hayes, Executive Headteacher at Newquay Primary Academy, commented: "All the children and staff have been working and rehearsing hard over the last few weeks – and the parents really pulled out the stops with the costumes. It was a real team effort. We are incredibly lucky to have joined-up relationship with Newquay Tretherras, which meant we were able to use their fantastic hall in The Quay building to host our Christmas performances. Allowing the children to perform like the shining stars that they are."

Christmas jumper day

To mark the countdown to Christmas, on Thursday 8th December pupils and staff came into the academy donning their best festive frocks and jumpers. Everyone looked great and had made such an effort.

Newquay Primary Academy is well and truly feeling the Christmas spirit!



Christmas song



As many of you know, on Friday 25th November, our pupils joined Newquay Junior Academy at St Michaels Church to record this year's Christmas song in aid of our local charity, Newquay Foodbank.

All the children were superstars and amazed everyone with their fantastic singing voices.

Newquay Primary Academy would like to thank the Church Warden and the Church Council for their hospitality and use of St Michael's Church, Newquay. We would also like to thank Millie Millington of Newquay Tretherras for her musical expertise and producing the audio for the video. Finally, we would like to thank Alastair from Scarlett Photography for the filming and video production.

Drum roll please... the musical extravaganza is available to view here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cq6Dih7a8Lg>

Newquay Foodbank needs your support and would appreciate donations of any size to help feed local people in crisis. If you would like to donate, then please feel free to do so through your child's ParentPay account under the heading Newquay Foodbank.



COMING UP IN THE FIRST TWO WEEKS OF THE SPRING TERM

Joshua class will be entering outer space when we return to school in January. We will be asking the questions, what is out of this world? What is it like on different planets? How do astronauts live in space? Be prepared for rockets, planets, comets, astronauts and maybe an alien or two!

Reception

Year 1

Tamar Class will be going on a really wild adventure.

Miss Cowell has lots of great things planned, so we don't want to ruin the surprise.

But a little clue... it will be prehistoric!

Space junk modelling request



Ms Wilson, teacher in Joshua Class, is on the hunt of space-inspired junk modelling items - silver boxes, mince pie cases, tubes, etc. Anything futuristic you may get packaging wise over Christmas holidays for Joshua Class's space theme in January. Please bring any donations to Joshua Class at drop-off or pick-up





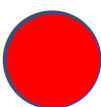
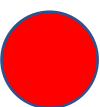
Parking at Newquay Primary Academy

In response to parent concerns regarding the parking at Newquay Primary Academy, Mr Hayes and Sarah Walkey (our Parent Governor) met with representatives of the Sports Centre and Newquay Tretherras on 1st December 2022 to discuss some potential resolutions. Here are the outcomes:

- Re-communication to go out to members of the Sports Centre reminding them not to park in the academy bay
- Communication to go out to Newquay Tretherras parents and carers reminding them that they are to park in the bays at the bottom of the hill (opposite the bowling club) when collecting their child/ren
- Consider adding more signage
- In the new year, for one week, a member of staff from the Sports Centre to monitor the parking and address any issues in real-time, which has previously proved successful.
- Discuss the possibility of opening the Bowling Club car park at pick-up and drop-off times as a parking overflow.

It was also advised that anyone using the car park reverse into the parking spaces to ensure that they can easily see pedestrians walking through the car park.

Attendance for Newquay Primary Academy

	Joshua Class: 96.9%		Joshua Class: 97.2%
	Tamar Class: 94.1%		Tamar Class: 94%
			

Week of 5th December 2022

Week of 12th December 2022

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 2.30pm on a Friday. If you need to speak to Hannah or Tracey in the office, please contact between these hours.

Wrap around care bookings/ParentPay



ParentPay We would be very grateful if bookings for the breakfast and after academy club could be placed on ParentPay by 10am on the Friday before. We totally understand that there are occasions where this is not possible. When making additional bookings please inform the office via email secretary@newquayprimary.net

Important dates to remember

Tuesday 20 th December	Christmas party	Joshua and Tamar Class
Tuesday 20th December 2022: Last day of the Autumn Term		
Tuesday 3rd January 2023: First day of the Spring Term		



Mr Hayes and all the team at Newquay Primary Academy would like to wish all our pupils, parents and academy friends and family a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

We look forward to welcoming the pupils back into school on Monday 3rd January 2023.