



Newquay Primary Academy

NEWS BULLETIN

HIGHLIGHTS

Exciting First Visit to the New Build

A major highlight this week was taking the children on their very first visit to the new academy building! We were thrilled to share the space with them, and it was wonderful to see their reactions. The play areas, shiny new classrooms, and the hall were all a big hit. They were all very excited about the new DT & Science room, where they will be able to go their own cooking! We were also excited to be able to fit all four classes on the playground for a group playtime. We can't wait to move in full-time on Tuesday 25th February. Please remember to book on for a tour if you would like to come have a look around on Tuesday 11th February.



Joshua Class: Budding Palaeontologists!

This week, Joshua Class have been diving into the world of palaeontology. They've found some giant eggs and have been eagerly guessing what could be inside. The class have been exploring the Land of Faraway, digging for fossils, creating their own fossils, and crafting dinosaur party outfits with playdough. They're also learning about dinosaur skeletons by cutting and sticking bones.



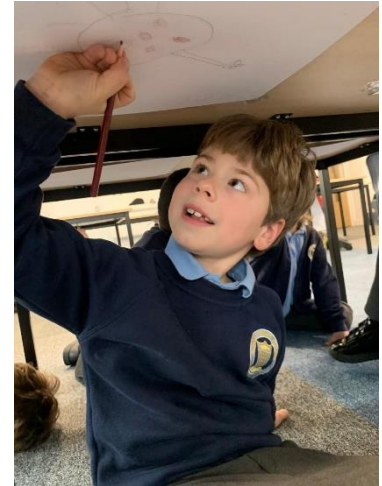
Tamar Class: More Dinosaur Discoveries!

Tamar Class have also continued with their Dinosaur studies and stepped into the shoes of famous palaeontologist Mary Anning this week. Using hammers and chisels, the children carefully chipped away at rocks to excavate hidden dinosaurs. Once their discoveries were made, they identified the dinosaurs using non-fiction books and fact cards.



Severn Class: Art from an Unexpected Angle

Severn took a dive into the world of Michelangelo and the awe-inspiring Sistine Chapel ceiling. True to their adventurous spirit, they decided to channel their inner artists and get creative. Crawling under their tables, they set to work, crafting their own masterpieces—putting a fun, personal twist on this iconic art form.



Trent Class: An Archaeological Dig

Trent Class stepped into the shoes of archaeologists at a dig site in the Indus Valley (over at Newquay Juniors!) They learned how to organise a dig site and use the proper equipment to carefully uncover ancient objects. Back in the classroom, they will be working on accurately recording their findings. The children did an amazing job and unearthed many fascinating artefacts from the past!



COMING UP IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

JOSHUA CLASS

Joshua class continue learning about Space over the coming weeks. They are creating planets, rockets and solar systems in Making Kingdom. Chad our friendly alien also needs help to get back to his planet. What will Joshua class create to help him?!

TAMAR CLASS

Over the next few weeks, Tamar class will be working on a range of exciting activities! In Computing, they will focus on improving their typing skills and learning how to change the font colour and size of the text. In RE, they'll begin exploring the religion of Islam and gaining a deeper understanding of its practices and beliefs. To wrap up their dinosaur topic, Tamar will have a fun dinosaur dig at Porth Beach on Monday, which will be a great way to celebrate everything they've learnt!

SEVERN CLASS

For the last 2 weeks of term, Severn will be looking at "Who is Jewish and how do they live?" This will entail the children learning about various aspects of Judaism including the Shema, Shabbat and what a Mezuzah is. We will also be inviting the parents in for an afternoon to help with our Spring design technology project. Children will be learning how to join fabrics using basic sewing techniques and then design and create a "tribal pouch" inspired by their learning about rainforests and Kampong Ayer.

TRENT CLASS

Trent class have moved onto measurement in maths. We have learnt all about length, measuring in mm, cm and m and we will be moving onto capacity measurements next week. In English, we will be finishing our assessed writing piece which are fantasy narratives based on our book, 'Leon and The Place Between'. We have also had many practical lessons in science and history - take a look at our Tapestry to find out more!

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.



Newquay Sports Network Event – Indoor Athletics

On Wednesday 22nd January we took 6 fantastic pupils to attend the NSN Year 3/4 Indoor Athletics event hosted by Newquay Tretherras.

They all participated in a track and field event, finishing with a team relay.

We were delighted when the results were announced and NPA finished in a super 3rd place!

Well done to our athletes.



Attendance for Newquay Primary Academy

	Joshua Class: 98.2% Trent Class: 96.7%		Joshua Class: 99.3% Trent Class: 98.9%
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Week of 20th January 2025

Week of 27th January 2025

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 3 rd February	Newquay Zoo Trip	Severn Class
Monday 3 rd February	Dino Dig at Porth Beach	Tamar
Friday 7 th February	Pupils to be dropped at the new NPA for the morning. Collection at the end of the day will be from NPA at Wax.	All classes
Friday 7 th February	NSPCC Number Day – details to follow	All Classes
Tuesday 11 th February	Parent tours of new build	Current Parents
Thursday 13 th February	Pupils to be collected from the new build. Morning drop off will be at NPA Wax	All Classes
Friday 14th February	INSET Day	All classes
Monday 17 th February	Start of February half term	All Classes
Monday 24th February	INSET Day	All Classes
Tuesday 25 th February	First day in new academy building	All classes
Thursday 13th February: Last day of Spring Term 1		
Tuesday 25th February: First Day of Spring term 2		