

**New Mills Primary School**  
**Newsletter No. 10**  
**Friday 12 May 2023**



Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to say an enormous well done to all our Y6 pupils for working so hard in their SATS tests. The staff are all very proud of the positive attitude shown by the children throughout the week. A BIG thank you to Mrs Broadley who has arranged breakfast every day for the children and provided lots of TLC if required! Y6 have celebrated the end of their tests by a much-needed afternoon in High Lea Park.

**Carol Taylor – Head teacher**

**Whitehall Y3 & Y4:**

Both of the classes enjoyed their residential stay at Whitehall Centre. Staff were very impressed with the Childrens behaviour and their willingness to try all the activities offered to them.

My favourite part was abseiling over a very high bridge at Millers Dale. I climbed over the barrier and then I was on a rope and I had to lean back and talk to the instructor trust the rope. I lowered myself down using the rope. Once I had lowered myself down a bit I had to let go and use my hand on the wall, I then had to let go and dangle in the air. I then went back up the steps and then went back down with another pupil in a joint abseil. I felt very brave! Written by Jack M.

**Coronation Day Friday 5 May:**

Y6 helped to put together an assembly to celebrate the coronation of Charles III. The children enjoyed watching Charles & Camilla being crowned in our school hall on their thrones! All the children took part in a street party to celebrate the coronation enjoying a British lunch and British music.

**Arts Week Monday 15 to Friday 19 May:**

All the children will be carrying out art projects based on the monarchy. These will include activities such as painting, sculpting, printing, weaving and design technology.

The children's work will be displayed in our whole school gallery in the school hall which parents will be invited to visit on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 3.15 pm.

**Community Governors Needed:**

Community Governor – we have appointed 3 governors recently and they are all settling in very well. We need to appoint a couple of community governors. A community governor isn't connected directly to the school. They may have specialist skills, which will be great, but the most important thing is that they want to support the school with the big decisions that need to be made. If you know anyone who may be interested, please ask them to contact me.

**PTA Help!**

The PTA work behind the scenes to meet, plan and organise fund raising events. A small, dedicated team attend all meetings and make good contributions to the school. We are very mindful of the financial pressures that families are facing so we are trying to give as much notice as possible. However, we do rely on your support and all the children benefit from funds raised. It would be excellent if we could have a Class Representative attending the meetings. They could bring ideas from other parents and, hopefully, there will be a team of parents from across the school sharing their views and ideas

**Family Support Worker:**

The family support team that has been working with us, for over three years, will be changing after Easter. We will be employing a family support manager to work with a cluster of 11 primary and nursery schools after Easter. We will keep you informed about who we employ and when they will start. We will continue to work with the current family support team during the transition phase, however, we will not have the same level of support and waiting times for assistance will be longer.

**Clothing for Recycling:**

The big, green clothing bank is on site, please use it for all your unwanted clothing items (not uniform), shoes, blankets, duvet covers etc. All must be clean! This is emptied on a monthly basis and all proceeds go towards supporting the school with trips.

We also recycle batteries and small printer cartridges in school & used stamps 😊

**New Mills Duck Race PTA Event**

This event will be held Sunday 21 May in the Torr's, New Mills at 12 pm. We still need plenty of volunteers to make this happen safely and successfully. We currently only have 2 people from school who have signed up to help so we need more people please.

Even if you can only spare an hour or two, it will still make a difference. We need people to set up in the morning 9.30 – 11.30, people to help on stalls/games during the event 12 – 3.30, Marshalls to keep everyone safe during the event and people to tidy up afterwards at 3.30 pm onwards. Please contact the PTA or email the school office if you can help.

Duck ticket are on sale for £2 from the school office.

**We also held a duck colouring competition and the winner was Eva S in Y4. Her design will be on the big duck at the event. Well done Eva!**

**Spring Bake Off – PTA Event**

Thank you to everyone who took part, the total raised was £97.21. The children enjoyed voting for their favourites and enjoyed eating the cakes afterwards.

**New Mills Carnival – Saturday 10 June**

We also need volunteers to help us with the carnival, can you think of any ideas for 'Under the Sea' theme? Please contact the PTA with your ideas or email the school office.

**Dates for your Diary January 2023 onwards .... Something to look forward to:**

Monday 15 May	-	Y5 trip to Manchester Science Museum
Monday 15 May	-	Plant sale delivery this week date TBC
Tuesday 16 May	-	Y2 trip to Bolsover Castle
Thursday 18 May	-	HPKC Parliament trip to London
Sunday 21 May	-	Duck race (tickets are £2 on sale now!)
Monday 22 May	-	Y1 trip to Macclesfield Silk Museum
Wednesday 24 May	-	Y6 Trip to Delamere Wildshore
Friday 26 May	-	Y1 Victoria dressing up day
Friday 26 May	-	School finishes for half term
Tuesday 6 June	-	School photographer group photos
Friday 9 June	-	Y2 Whitehall day visit 1
Saturday 10 June	-	Carnival theme is 'Under the Sea'
Friday 16 June	-	Y4 trip to Liverpool museum
Tuesday 20 June	-	KS1 sports day
Wednesday 21 June	-	Reception starters meeting at 6pm
Wednesday 28 June	-	Y4 Clarinet concert
Friday 30 June	-	Y2 Whitehall day visit 2
Tuesday 4 July	-	Y4 visit to Bridgewater Hall
Thursday 6 July	-	Y6 at NMHS
Thursday 6 July	-	Classes moving up day
Friday 7 July	-	Summer fair
Tuesday 11 July	-	KS2 sports day
Tuesday 11 July	-	School disco 3.30 – 4.30 KS1 4.30 – 6.00 KS2
Thursday 13 July	-	Y6 Kinder walk
Monday 17 July	-	Y6 fun swim at NMLC 2 – 3 pm
Wednesday 19 July	-	Y6 leavers assembly
Friday 21 July	-	Inset day school is closed for the Summer hols