

New Mills Primary School
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Dear Parents and Carers,

I'm sure you'll agree that the Art Exhibition for our Take One Picture week was stunning. The children have been very creative as they explored using different media. Many of you were able to see what had been produced, and for that support, we heartily thank you!

Carol Taylor – Head teacher

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

End of Another Term:

As we reach the end of another half term, it's quite alarming to realise there is only one left. We only have 7 weeks left in school and there is still so much to do! But before we go to next term, let's look back at the last few weeks. The year 6 children had their end of year visit to Wild Shore at Delamere on Wednesday, you may have seen us all sneaking out of school. Everyone had an amazing day; the weather was great, and the challenging activities were great fun. Some of the site staff saw it as their mission to bounce around so much that the children ended up in the water! And some of the children ran around the inflatables like ninjas, trying to get their own back. This trip will be hard to beat next year!!!

We've had children out at Cheer Fest and cricket this week. The children always represent the school really well. Year 2 went to Bolsover Castle and Year 1 went to the Silk Museum in Macclesfield, both visits were exciting, full of information and very hands on. Reception visited the library yesterday and, for some, it was their first time to have a library card. All the children had a good look round the library and chose their own special book to borrow. Year 1 have dressed up as Victorians today, they all look amazing and I'm delighted to let you know that they haven't been treated too harshly by their Victorian teacher!

Most of the formal key stage assessments have been completed, we still need to do the Year 1 phonics in June. Well done to all the children, you've worked hard to prepare for them and you had a great attitude whilst doing them, we can't ask any more than that.

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 Carnival – Saturday 10 June – URGENT:

We also need volunteers to help us with the carnival!! We also need help creating props & banners too. Can you think of any ideas for 'Under the Sea' theme? Please contact the PTA with your ideas or email the school office.

Fundraising for Charity Fashion Show & Shopping Event:

Wednesday 7 June at 7.00 pm at New Mills Golf Club. Tickets available from NM Volunteer Centre or the Golf Club or online via <https://skiddle.com/e/36353035> (plus booking fee) or from the school office.

Upto 75% of your favourite well known brands
Debit & credit cards accepted.

Come and watch Miss Moody and some parents strut their stuff on the catwalk!

Reminder – Water Bottles, Hats & Sunscreen

Please can you ensure your child has a water bottle, a hat & has sunscreen on when they arrive at school during the next few summer months.

Medicines in School:

If your child needs medicine in school, please come to the office to sign a form or in an emergency, we can accept an email. In emergency cases only, we can provide calpol & antihistamines but please send your own medicines for longer than 1 administer.

Dates for your Diary Something to look forward to:

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
Wednesday 5 July	-	Y4 clarinet concert – school hall 2 pm
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

