



Newent Community School Parents' Association

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Dear Parents / Carers

Firstly, huge thanks to those that have been so generous in supporting the NCSPA over the past year, with time and finances. We always need more support with both of these so please be in touch, in the first instance, with Ann Price (Business Manager) if you think you can help support us in these ways.

Progress is being made towards our outdoor seating area, but we would like to add a smaller project which would have a more immediate impact.

One is supporting the purchase of an interactive screen, providing students with the ability to research and reserve books that are available in the Library. Research has already commenced for this interactive screen, with quotes being collected, with the anticipation it will be in place for September. We are pleased to confirm that your generosity will allow this purchase to happen so a huge thank you for all who have contributed to the NCSPA fundraising, including the lottery.

While having this interactive screen will encourage students to discover what books are available, we have also been discussing how we can contribute towards the provision of books for the school library. The library is well-stocked, but there is an endless supply of good books hitting the market and it is important to give students access to as many as we can manage. Mrs Gibbons, the school's Librarian talked to us about "Reading for Enjoyment" which is very important at Newent Community School and Sixth Form Centre. As the number of books issued to students continue to rise each week, so the need for new and replacement titles continues to be important. This is where we hope you will feel able to get involved with a new initiative.

In September, parents and carers will be able to donate a book or books to the Library using the School's Online Shop. By September you will be able to go on to the Online shop and find the NCSPA icon. There you can choose either to buy a token, or select a specific title from the drop-down box, put the amount in your cart and pay in the usual way. Any books selected from the list will be bought by the school from a specialist book supplier. This will ensure the discount the school is able to access is passed onto you.

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The titles in the drop-down box have been selected by Mrs Gibbons to answer specific title requests from students or fill other gaps she has identified in the stock.

The books you have chosen will have a book label on the front acknowledging that they have been bought for the school by the NCSPA with yours and / or your child's name and year of purchase included.

We sincerely hope you are pleased to hear of the purchase of the interactive screen and the Donate-a-book-scheme. We look forward to providing an update on what books have been secured in the Autumn Term.

Have a lovely summer.

The NCSPA Committee
