



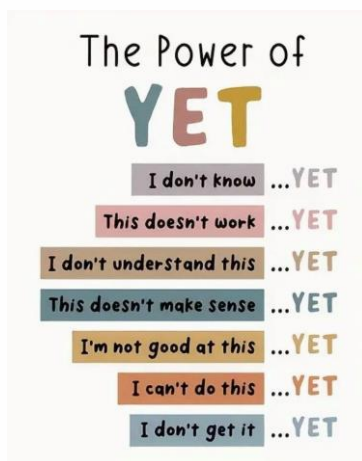
# NEWENT NEWS

## Message from our Principal

Dear Newent School Community,

As we finish this half term it is lovely to reflect on what has happened. We welcomed over 300 students who had good attendance and no behaviour points to a reward event today with hot chocolate and brownies. It was nice to spend some time talking to these students who appreciated the reward and being the first in the queue for sausage rolls!

It has also been a positive end to the term in lessons and I challenged the students in assemblies this week not just to end well, having started well, which was the focus last year; but instead to end even better. I also asked them to reflect on the power of adding yet, to the end of a sentence, remembering that they may not be able to do a process 'yet' but they still have time to learn.



Start  
Well  
END EVEN BETTER.

Please also remember the clocks change on Sunday 27th October and we gain an hour in the early hours of the morning.

Can I also wish those celebrating a prosperous and happy, Diwali on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October. It coincides with another event celebrated across much of the world: Halloween. Whatever you are doing I hope you have a lovely half-term break, and we will see you again on Monday 4th November at 8.40am.

Take care

Mrs. D Burke

## Clubs and Activities

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Nov**

\* Half Term

### Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November

- \* Fitness (All), Gym, 12.50-1.30
- \* Sew Crafty Club, Rm G4, 12.50-1.30
- \* Girls Rugby Club (Y7/8/9), Field, 3.30-4.30

### Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> November

- \* Table Tennis (All), Sports hall, 12.50-1.30
- \* Art Club, Rm T3, 12.50-1.30pm
- \* Flute & Recorder (Intermediate), H21, 1-1.30pm
- \* Homework Club, Rm 100, 1-1.30pm
- \* Boys Rugby Y7, Field, 3.30-4.30
- \* Boys Rugby Y8, Field, 3.30-4.30

### Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November

- \* Science Club, Rm G1, 1.00-1.30
- \* Bugs, Bees and Houses Y7-9, Rm T10, -1.30pm
- \* Programming Revision Y10/11, Rm 105, 1-1.30pm
- \* Graphics & Media, Rm106, 1-1.30pm
- \* Boys Football, Y7, Field, 3.30-4.30
- \* SHREK Rehearsal, hall, 3.30-5pm

### Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> November

- \* Badminton, Sports hall, 12.50-1.30pm
- \* Choir Y7-9, Rm H20, 1-1.30pm
- \* Strength & Conditioning, Gym, 12.50-1.30pm
- \* Boys Football Y7, Field, 3.30-4.30pm
- \* Sixth Form Open Evening 5-7pm

### Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> November

- \* SHREK Rehearsal, hall, 3.30-5pm

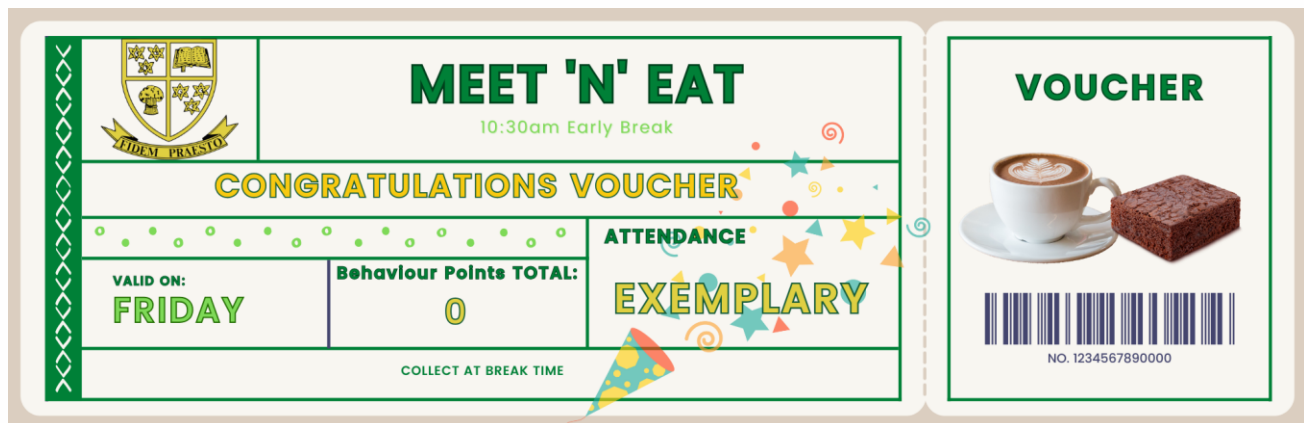


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## Congratulations - Attendance & Behaviour

It was fantastic to be able to award over 300 traybake tickets for students who have had exemplary attendance and behaviour this term. Students enjoyed receiving their award vouchers in tutorial and celebrating together with a cup of hot chocolate and a tasty traybake. We hope to see even more students celebrating in term two as we reset for the term ahead.

Thank you for all you do as parents and carers to support the school. Working together to promote excellent attendance and behaviour puts all of our children in the very best position to move into their adult lives.

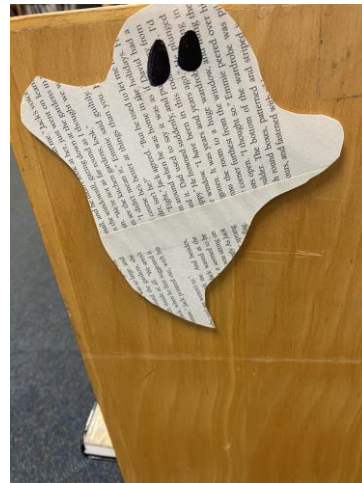


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## Library News

The Library has been celebrating spooky season this week with a Halloween themed book display and "Spot the Spook" competition!

Students have been enjoying looking at the books on display. They have also had great fun counting all the ghosts (made from recycled books) hiding in the library. Whoever successfully spotted them all will be in with a chance of receiving some Halloween treats... The winner will be announced on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October at lunchtime. Thank you to all the students who spook part, I mean, took part!



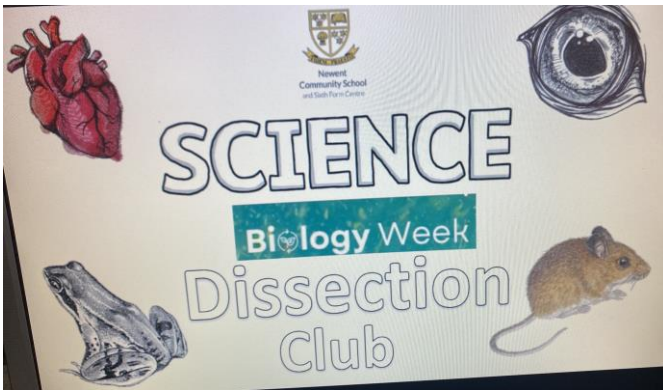


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## Newent's Biology Week 2024

It is always a great opportunity to focus of one of our three main sciences and encourage enthusiasm for Biology in and around the curriculum. This week saw the return of the extremely popular dissection club on Wednesday Lunch time. Students for all year groups had the opportunity to dissect either a pig and lamb's heart. Year 12 and 13 A-level students with students helping the lower years in the art of dissecting. With a total of 25 students joining the club it really was the heart of the school and many said you Aorta not miss this.

Please feel free to follow us on Twitter @NewentScience.





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## Choir Termly Bake-Off

We have had a wonderful set of submissions for the first, termly, Choir Bake-Off. Our theme was 'Autumn' and we were greeted with 'Spooky Halloween Chocolate' from Layla, 'Cinnamon and Chocolate Chip Autumn Leaves Cookies' from Frankie and 'Autumn Leaves Cupcakes' from James. This is the first time that James has taken part in a Bake-Off, as he is new to choir this term. We are especially proud of the wonderful quality of decoration and bake he has made as a new member, and it was only right to crown him Term 1 Champion! Well done James!





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## Newent Music Club

Newent Music Club is now firmly up and running in our local community and we would like to remind our students and families that you are very welcome to attend. Sessions are free for students. If you are a bit rusty or only just starting out you are still very welcome. The group is aimed at beginners! It is intended to be a valuable segway into other orchestra and ensemble options to help build skills and confidence. Please do consider giving it a try! We will be welcoming the Newent Music Club and Orchestra into school next term for their lunchtime rehearsals so please do pop in. More information is available via the attached poster.

### Newent Classical Music Club



**For Student and Adult**

**Beginner/Intermediate Musicians**

Weekly rehearsals in Newent during term time. Students free; nominal fee for adults



**Classical Fun!**



**ST MARY'S  
NEWENT**

*Conducted by Bill Anderton*



Starts in September, '24

**Enquiries:**

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T: 07527 175026

**Full details & sign-up:**

[newentorchestra.org/ncmc.html](http://newentorchestra.org/ncmc.html)



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## Green Flag Award 2024 Achieved

Congratulations to pupils who took part in last year's Eco-Committee and Eco- Award activities and the staff that supported them. In particular Grace and Zach whose tenacity ensured the completion of the Award.

The years activities started with an audit of different aspects of the school and the promotion of 'Cut your carbon month'. The committee then chose three of the 10 Action Topics. Litter, biodiversity and global citizenship. Through the year activities took place such as the talk and litter pick with Forest of Dean Community Support Officer which led to much discussion in Eco-Committee about ways that could change problems of litter in school.

Students from G11 took part in a gardening club growing wildflowers and vegetables, while DT club made bug boxes, and learnt about the plight of swifts whilst creating swift boxes. The science pond had a clear out of litter and excess weed to stop it silting up followed by science club carrying out a survey of the ground around the pond and the creatures in the water.



For Global citizenship the poster competition raised understanding of the issues facing the world that affect all of us and how we can all do our part. These will be put up around school. Winners received their prizes in House assemblies alongside pupils receiving certificates for helping with the Green Flag Award. As there were several pupils who contributed in different ways, anyone who feels they have missed out on a certificate can see Mrs Blake.





# NEWENT NEWS

## Flu Vaccination Information

Dear Parent/Guardian

Your child's annual flu vaccination is now due.

The Vaccination will be given to consenting students on **Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th November.**

*It is important that you consent or decline the flu vaccination as soon as possible. If you do not respond, we will contact you again to make sure that you have received the offer of vaccination.*

### Giving consent

Please complete the consent form online (one for each child, please) using the following link ensure you use the Unique School Code below:

[Flu Vaccination Consent Form \(ghcimmunisations.co.uk\)](https://ghcimmunisations.co.uk)

Newent Community School and Sixth Form Centre Unique Code: **GC138746**

If you are unable to access the online consent form for any reason, please contact Gloucestershire Immunisation Team on 0300 421 8140 or email: [FLU.Immunisation@ghc.nhs.uk](mailto:FLU.Immunisation@ghc.nhs.uk)

You can also access information regarding the flu vaccinations in 29 different languages via this link

Flu vaccination for children: leaflets and posters - GOV.UK ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk))





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## PSHE Corner

As a part of your child’s education at Newent Community School and Sixth Form Centre, we promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education programme. PSHE education is the curriculum subject that gives young people the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential.

During Term 2 we will be studying the following:

Year Group	Topic	Lessons to include
7	Diversity and relationships	Stereotyping, prejudice and discrimination The Equality Act Bullying
8	Identity and relationships	Positive, healthy relationships Persuasion, pressure and coercion Sexting Unifrog: Job applications: superhero CVs
9	The justice system	Citizenship and the law How are laws made? The police Young offenders Unifrog: What comes after school? The main learning pathways
10	Mental Health	Wellbeing and stigma Signs of emotional and mental health Strategies to promote mental and emotional health Unifrog: Exploring employer profiles
11	Health choices and independence	Responsible health choices Managing health choices Breast cancer Testicular cancer Unifrog: Post 16 Choices

If you have any questions please email: [lgibbs@newent.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:lgibbs@newent.gloucs.sch.uk)



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## Vacancies for Parent Trustees

After half term we will be holding a parent trustee election and will be looking to appoint two parent trustees to the Board.

Parent Trustees have the same responsibilities as all other trustees and form a very important group as they are drawn from people currently using the school. If you are the parent of, or have parental responsibility for a student at Newent Community School and Sixth Form Centre, you are eligible to put yourself forward for nomination.

## The role of the Trust Board

The school's Trust Board is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, and creating robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the school's educational and financial performance. The board is passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for our pupils.

## The role of a parent trustee

As a parent trustee, you'll work with the board to make sure it effectively carries out the duties referred to above. You'll also play a vital role in bringing a parental perspective to the trust board, but you **are not** there to speak 'on behalf' of the parent body.

More details regarding this process will be sent out after half term.

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## SENCo Update

Acting SENCo Term 2 - I am delighted to announce that Alex Tranter (Deputy SENCo) will be our temporary SENCo next term. If you have any questions or queries related to your child and additional needs, please contact Mr. Tranter at [atranter@newent.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:atranter@newent.gloucs.sch.uk)



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## Reminder: Satchel One – Parent Access

The parent code can be accessed **directly** from their child's satchel App.

If the student can already access the app, please use the link in the logo below to log in:



If the student cannot access their **own** Satchel Account - they will need to come to the IT office on (Mon & Thurs mornings) or finance at any other time for a password.

Thank you for your support.



# SIXTH FORM

## Open Evening

Thursday 7<sup>TH</sup> November 2024  
5.00pm to 7.00pm

# Newent Community School and Sixth Form Centre

## Your future starts here

Come and meet our Sixth Form team and have an opportunity to meet the Sixth Form teaching staff



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**For information or queries about your young person and school please do contact their tutor in the first instance.**

**For other queries please use the emails below:**

General Enquires	<a href="mailto:reception@newent.gloucs.sch.uk">reception@newent.gloucs.sch.uk</a>
Attendance Queries	<a href="mailto:attendance@newent.gloucs.sch.uk">attendance@newent.gloucs.sch.uk</a>
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