



NEWENT NEWS

Message from our Principal

While January can often feel like a bit of a slog, February seems to be hurtling by. Possibly because we've shrugged off our Zumba classes and spinach casseroles. More likely, as the light returns, a general feeling of well-being takes hold. The lighter mornings certainly made it easier for some of our Year 11 Art students who took advantage of an early start in order to visit the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford this week. Thanks to the Art team for organising a really enriching day out.

With one more week of term to go, we are preparing for our usual end of term rewards for our students with exemplary attendance and behaviour. This is something we've been doing for two and a half years now and is always a popular event. There is also some information about an opportunity for arts and crafts in Newent Library over half term, some sporting round-ups, news about Mental Health Week, and details of Safer Internet Day on 11th February.

I'd also like to take a moment to reflect on some concerns raised by our travel operators who provide transport to and from school for many of our students. We are asking all of our students who use these services to practice our values of Excellence, Accountability, Respect and Teamwork by keeping the buses clean, and conducting themselves in an appropriate manner. As ever, the majority of our students demonstrate our values brilliantly.

Last night, we had our Year 12 Parents' Evening and I'm delighted to see that we had 100% attendance to that event! I'd like to express my thanks to Mr McCarthy and the team for making the event so successful. Appointments will be available to book for Year 10 Parents' Evening which runs on Thursday 13th February.

As ever, thanks for your continued support!

Mr Nicklin
Vice Principal

Clubs and Activities

Monday, 10th February

- * Sew Crafty Club, G4, 12.55m
- * Fitness (All), Gym, 12.55 – 1.25pm
- * Table Tennis Years 7/8, Sports Hall, 12.55pm

Tuesday, 11th February

- * Yr 7 Safer Internet Day Assembly, Hall, 11.30am
- * Yr 7 Girls Cross Country Finals (A), 12.00pm
- * Girls Cricket, Sports Hall, 12.55 – 1.25pm
- * Yr 7 & 8 Mixed Hockey 3.30pm

Wednesday, 12th February

- * Ladies Taverners Cricket, 1.00-4.00pm
- * Yr 9-11 Mixed Hockey (A), 3.00pm
- * Rehearsals Antony & Cleopatra, Hall, 3.20-5pm

Thursday, 13th February

- * Girls Football, Astro, 12.55 – 1.25pm
- * Badminton Club (All), Sports Hall 12.55pm
- * Yr 10 Parents Evening, Hall, 4.30-6pm

Friday, 14th February

- * Basketball Club (All), 12.55pm
- * Boys Football 12.55- 1.25pm
- Years 7/8 Week 1
- Years 10/11 Week 2



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SAFER INTERNET DAY

This year, we are taking part in Safer Internet Day 2025 in collaboration with the Safer Internet Centre and our own excellent ICT department. On Tuesday 11th February, and throughout the week, our students will be taking part in focused activities to raise awareness around safer internet usage with the theme, '**Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online**'.

We will provide a further update about how we have taken part right here in Newent News at the end of the week. If you would like to discuss safer internet usage at home, please find some helpful tips here: [Safer Internet Day 2025 Top Tips - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

This initiative forms part of our wider anti-bullying focus to support and promote safe online spaces for our young people, and our ICT curriculum and enrichment offer.





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NEWENT COMMUNITY SCHOOL ALUMNI

As we approach the school's 60th Anniversary it would be lovely to hear from members of our alumni to share their success stories since leaving Newent. If you know of anyone or would like to share your own story, please contact Mr McCarthy via imccarthy@newent.gloucs.sch.uk.

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

For Children's Mental Health Week the library has displayed books on relevant topics, such as anxiety, OCD and depression to name a few.

In addition, the space has hosted activities centred around wellbeing and mental health. Our heart display is taking shape, and we are encouraging all students and staff to take part by writing down something which brings them joy on a paper heart in the library. The display will be up throughout February.





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The Library

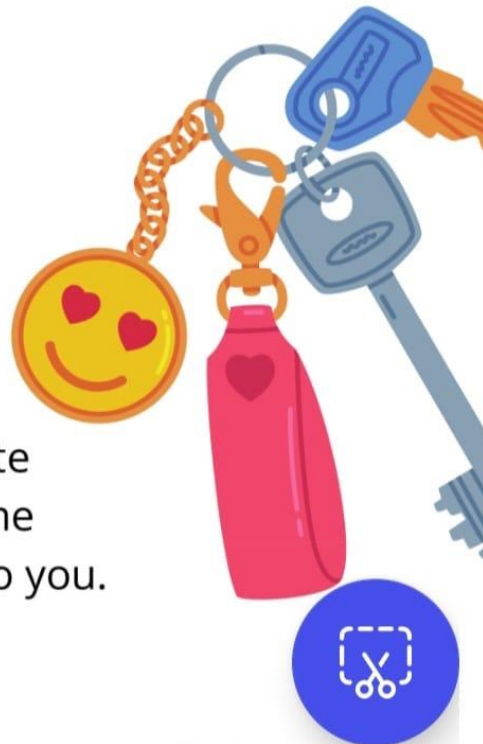
Teen Craft Event: Making Key Rings

Newent Library

Thursday, 20th February
14:00 - 15:30

Whether you're looking to personalize your keys or create a gift for a friend, you will come away with a key ring unique to you.

Free to attend.



Booking is **essential** - scan QR code, visit gloucestershire.spydus.co.uk or enquire at the library.



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Sports News

Results Boys football

Senior football won 1-0 v Kings
Year 8' lost 4-3 to Severn Vale
Year 10's won 6-1 to Severn Vale
Year 10's lost 1-0 to John Kyrle

KINGSHOLM EXPERIENCE / HITZ ON TRACK

Following some positive responses from the following boys in year 9 whilst participating in the Hitz on track programme, they have been given a free ticket to the match at Kingsholm this Friday with an opportunity to be on the pitch before the match.

Easah Ali
Oscar Barr
Fin Blackwell
Johnny Chu
Toby Dickenson-Collins
Dan Evans
Isaac Goulding
Ollie Hall
Frankie Harkness
Bodhi Harris
Seth Lane
Will Pennicard
Yusuf Rahman
Connor Topping
Isaac York
Ted Vincent
Hussein Alasas



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