

New Close News

Friday 12th May, 2017

Head Teacher - Miss Jane Brown
Deputy Head - Mrs Sharon White

SATs

For our Year 6 pupils their SATs are now over and they can breathe a sigh of relief. Unfortunately this is not the case for our Year 2 pupils so we continue to wish them luck.

The Year 6 pupils were really calm and clearly tried their best—we were most impressed with their attitude and perseverance. I think they will miss the breakfast gathering which they clearly enjoyed and I am sure the children would like me to thank the staff who organised this and came to school early to set it up—it was delicious!

We now have the long wait until the results are released, so fingers crossed!!

Lunches



We are sometimes a little concerned about the small amount that some children eat from their packed lunch. As a mum myself, I am sure that you would want to know that your child is eating well at lunchtime. With this in mind, we will be asking children to not empty their lunch box when they have eaten (with the exception of opened yogurt pots!!) and to take the contents home. This will allow you to monitor more easily what they have eaten and how much.



Swimming Gala

A team from New Close will be participating in the annual swimming gala next Wednesday. The team will be led by Mr Tzen and we wish them all the best of luck. I will let you know how they got on in next week's newsletter.

Fire Station Visit



Meerkat Class will be visiting the Warminster Fire Station this afternoon and will be walking there using our brand new 'walking ropes'. I look forward to telling you about their visit next week.

Mental Health



There is a lot in the news at the moment regarding children's mental health and well-being. At New Close we take a child's mental well-being very seriously and I am always glad when parents share any important information with us.

We are sending home a leaflet with a range of contact information to help with any concerns regarding common mental health problems. Should you need it, I hope that it is of use to you.

Fidget Toys



I am sure that you are aware of the latest craze for fidget toys. These are 'toys' that were initially designed to help children with attention issues to concentrate in class but are now also very popular amongst children who do not suffer with this issue. Whilst I have no objection to children bringing one of these gadgets to school, I must point out that if they are distracting children in class then the child will be asked to leave it at home. Naturally, children who have identified attention issues will have already been supported and a conversation with their parents taken place. Similarly, the school takes no responsibility for ensuring that these gadgets are not taken or damaged by another child.

STARS OF THE WEEK




Caitlin Hope Ryan
 Kian Poppy Jack

Clothing

Could you please make sure that every item of clothing and footwear that your child brings to school, clearly has their name in it. We have many items that have ended up in our Lost Property tub and we are unable to find the owner!!



FREE and SUBSIDISED COOL MILK

A reminder to all parents/guardians that school is able to provide free milk each day to all children under five and to those children entitled to statutory free school meals. Milk can also be provided to children aged five or over at a subsidised cost.

For further information please visit www.coolmilk.com or ask in the school Office.

E-Newsletter



In an effort to reduce our carbon footprint, we are hoping to send as many newsletters by e-mail as possible. If you are able to receive your newsletter by e-mail, and haven't already done so, please contact the office. For those families who do not receive the newsletter by e-mail we will continue to send out paper copies.

Office Hours

Please be aware that the School Office is staffed between 8.45am and 3.15pm.

