

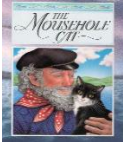


Newquay Junior Academy

News Bulletin –Friday 22nd November 2024

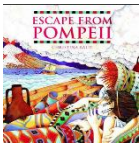
We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our pupils, families and staff who have given so generously to the community over the last few weeks. The whole academy observed the two-minute silence together, to remember anyone that had been impacted by war. The Pupil Council helped to raise over £280 for the Royal British Legion from the sale of poppies and accessories at NJA. On Friday, last week, everyone had a brilliant time taking part in the bake sale and spotty celebration for Children In Need and raised over £300. Thank you to everyone involved in all our recent events: we are so grateful and really appreciate your generous support at this time of year. Please see our website www.newquayjunior.net and www.facebook.com/NewquayJuniorAcademy for photos of these events and many other activities from this week.

These are some of the learning activities taking place across the academy:



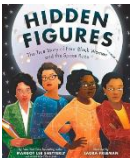
Learning for Year 3

- 🌲 Finishing "The Mousehole Cat" in VIPERS, discovering the joys of this Cornish tale.
- 🌲 Starting to read "The Polar Express" as part of our Christmas topic.
- 🌲 Building ziggurats in DT, based on tiered temples from Mesopotamia. This links with our history topic.



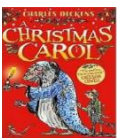
Learning for Year 4

- 🌲 Reading "Escape from Pompeii" and exploring the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in the Roman Empire.
- 🌲 Investigating structures to inspire the best way to make our own volcanos.
- 🌲 Creating our own versions of artwork by Cornish artist John Dyer and French painter, Henri Rousseau.



Learning for Year 5

- 🌲 Reading "Hidden Figures", about the black women whose maths skills were vital for NASA's space race!
- 🌲 Researching the cradles of civilisation in history, learning about the Sumerians of Mesopotamia.
- 🌲 Creating pastel artworks of the planets, based on the art of Peter Thorpe, inspired by our space topic.



Learning for Year 6

- 🌲 Beginning to read "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens, a seasonal tale full of suspense and morality.
- 🌲 Exploring the Gannet as part of our outdoor learning, linking to our understanding of rivers in geography.
- 🌲 Conducting a yeast experiment in science, to find out how yeast makes things rise.

Christmas Song Recording

Each year group has been busy rehearsing our Christmas Song, "Somewhere Only We Know", ready to perform and film next week. On their recording day, please ensure pupils are dressed smartly in their academy uniform, with a warm coat, gloves/scarves. We will be walking to the locations and return for usual home times. If your child has PE on this day, please bring their PE kit in a bag. These filming sessions are for pupils only, but the final edit will be shared with families to raise money for Newquay Foodbank.

Monday 25th November Year 3 from NJA at Newquay Zoo

Tuesday 26th November Year 4 from NJA at St Michael's Church

Wednesday 27th November Year 5 from NJA at Tolcarne Beach

Thursday 28th November Year 6 from NJA at Headland Hotel

Song for pupils to listen to: [Lily Allen | Somewhere Only We Know \(John Lewis Christmas Advert\) \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UgBv8K1s354)

Link to rehearse with : [Lily Allen - Somewhere Only We Know - Karaoke Version from Zoom Karaoke \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UgBv8K1s354)

This year, we are assuming all pupils will be participating, based on the permission given last year and permission given for the new Year 3 pupils when they joined in September. **If you do not want your child to be filmed, please contact the academy office on 01637 874543, before Monday 25th November.** Thank you if you have already done so.

PTA Christmas Fayre - Wednesday 11th December



We are delighted to announce that our **PTA Christmas Fayre** will take place on Wednesday 11th December from **3.30pm to 5pm** and we would love to see you all there. There will be cake stalls, crafts, festive games, and seasonal treats. Please gather at the side of the Edge Hall and the doors will open from 3.30pm. We look forward to welcoming our families, friends, and the local community to this vital fund-raising event for the academy.

Please do come and support us on Wednesday 11th December at our PTA Fayre.

Cake on a Plate– We will send home a paper plate for you to fill with cakes if you wish, to bring in on Wednesday 11th Dec.
Donating Luxury Items for the Fayre – details of how you can donate chocolate/toiletries/toys etc will be sent out shortly.

NJA Christmas Dinners – Monday 16th December – Thursday 19th December

We are delighted to invite you to join your child on their Christmas Dinner Day.

- 🌲 Due to the capacity of the Chough Kitchen, each pupil can invite up to 2 family members to join them.
- 🌲 Pupils can wear their Christmas Jumper, with academy uniform, on their Christmas Dinner Day
- 🌲 If you are unable to attend, pupils can attend their own Year Group dinner with their class and teacher.
- 🌲 The menu will be turkey or vegan and you will be able to book any adult or pupil meals via ParentPay.
- 🌲 Please pay for any adults on ParentPay via the Adult Xmas Dinner £2.65 payment item.
- 🌲 You can book your child's dinner on their Christmas Dinner Day, via ParentPay for £2.65.
- 🌲 Any NJA siblings must be accompanied by their adult, if they wish to attend their sibling's Dinner Day.

Please click this link to [Request NJA Siblings to join you for Xmas Meal](#) and we can add them to ParentPay.

Your child will have a Christmas Dinner on their class day and can book an academy meal on Friday.
All other days they need a packed lunch.

The Christmas Dinners will take place on the following days:



Year 4	Monday 16 th December	4JS & 4SH	11.30am	4MH & 4MB	12.30pm
Year 3	Tuesday 17 th December	3JJ & 3CS	11.30am	3JR & 3JKR	12.30pm
Year 5	Wednesday 18 th December	5AC & 5AS	11.30am	5WM & 5MR	12.30pm
Year 6	Thursday 19 th December	6JM & 6TSL	11.30am	6MA & 6TSH	12.30pm
All pupils Friday 20 th December		Academy meals or packed lunches as usual			

PLEASE NOTE: When it is not your child's allocated Christmas lunch day, they will need to bring in a packed lunch. On Friday, there are no Christmas Dinners, so meals can be booked as usual, or pupils can bring a packed lunch.

** If your child is eligible for a Free School Meal, they can select a dinner Monday – Thursday using this form:*

[Book your child's Free School Christmas Meal here](#)

*You will be able to book their academy meal as usual on Friday***

Christmas Cinema Trips

We will be visiting Newquay's Lighthouse Cinema to watch a film during the academy day, as a Christmas treat. Further details will be sent out shortly regarding how to pay for this on ParentPay and which films we will watch. On the day, please ensure your child arrives on time, with their academy uniform, warm coat, drinks & a snack. Please arrive promptly for 8.40am as we leave the academy from 9am onwards to walk to the Lighthouse Cinema. **Year 5 & Year 6 will go on Wednesday 11th and Year 3 & Year 4 will go on Thursday 12th December.**

Please Check Your ParentPay Account



Please remember to check your ParentPay account is in credit and to pay any amounts owing. Unless your account is in credit, the system will not take any new bookings for dinners or Ninjas childcare. All bookings need to be made using the online system. Any childcare vouchers will be applied in arrears. <https://app.parentpay.com/public/client/security/v2/#/login> Thank you for keeping your accounts up to date.

Academy Closure Procedure – in adverse weather conditions

In the rare case of adverse weather conditions which result in closing the academy, we would like to make you aware of our emergency closure procedures. If we did need to close, we will alert local radio and update the academy website and Facebook as soon as we are able to. We will also text parents who are registered with our text service.

In an emergency, a full list of schools closed in Cornwall can be found at:

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/schools-and-colleges/school-closures-in-emergencies/>

BBC Radio Cornwall 103.9FM

Radio Newquay 106.1FM

Attendance figures for the week beginning Monday 11th November 2024.

Year 3	Attendance	Year 4	Attendance	Year 5	Attendance	Year 6	Attendance
3JJ	97%	4MH	98%	5MR	97%	6JM	96%
3JR	96%	4MB	94%	5AC	100%	6MA	96%
3JKR	95%	4JS	96%	5AS	91%	6TSL	94%
3CS	96%	4SH	97%	5WM	97%	6TSH	90%



Well done to **5AC** for the highest attendance last week at 100%!





Newquay Junior Academy Diary Dates for 2024



Weds 4 Dec	Rocksteady Band Concert in the Edge Hall – from 10am to 11am Parents/carers of pupils attending Rocksteady Sessions are invited to watch their children perform. The concert will be held in the Edge Hall. Please arrive at the side of the Edge Hall at 10am.		
Weds 4 & Thurs 5 Dec	Year 3 Christmas Experience on the Newquay Land Train Further details to be sent out next week.		
Fri 6 Dec	Christmas Decorations Day Pupils across the academy will be making decorations and decorating their classrooms on this day. We would be grateful for any donations of art materials, decorations etc. These can be taken straight to your child's class. Please see your child's Seesaw for further details from your class teacher.		
Weds 11 Dec	PTA Christmas Fayre at Newquay Junior Academy - from 3.30pm to 5pm We will be holding our Christmas Fayre with various stalls, games and prizes to be won. We welcome all families, pupils and the local community to help us raise money for the NJA PTA. Please queue up at the side of the Edge Hall at 3.30pm, ready to join the festive fun!		
	NJA Christmas Cinema Trips		
Weds 11 Dec	Year 5 and Year 6 visit the Lighthouse Cinema. – further details will be sent out shortly.		
Thurs 12 Dec	Year 3 and Year 4 will visit the Lighthouse Cinema – further details will be sent out shortly.		
Friday 13 Dec	This is the final day for our internal after-school activity clubs. Ninjas paid for childcare will still be available next week (see more details below for exact details).		
Mon 16 – Thurs 19 Dec	Ninjas paid for after-hours childcare is available to book Monday – Thursday only. There will be no NJA afterschool activity clubs running this week – all clubs have finished. We will confirm if Atlantic Karate, Trio Dance and Bounce Dance will continue as usual.		
Mon 16 –Thurs 19 Dec	Christmas Dinners will take place at Newquay Junior Academy, in the Chough Kitchen. Pupils can attend Christmas Dinner with their parent/carer or with their class teacher. All meals must be booked and paid for via ParentPay by Wednesday 4 December. If it is not your child's Christmas Dinner day, they will need a packed lunch from home. All pupils eligible for Free School Meals will have a lunch provided each day.		
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Thursday 19 Dec	Year 6 Christmas Dinner	11.30am 6JM & 6TSL	12.30pm 6MA & 6TSH
Friday 20 Dec	All pupils can order an academy meal or bring a packed lunch as usual		
Friday 20 December	Early morning Ninjas only – no after-hours Ninjas or NJA activity clubs on this day. Last day of term – pupils will finish at 2.55pm on this day.		
Mon 23 Dec – Fri 3 Jan	Closed for the Christmas holidays – we wish you all a happy holiday over Christmas!		
Mon 6 January 2025	First day back of the Spring Term.		

You can find all our letters on our academy website <https://newquayjunior.net/letters-to-parents/>