



Newquay Junior Academy News Bulletin Friday 15th March 2024

What do you get when you mix a love of reading, maths, music, sport, science, outdoor education and lots of fun? The answer is ... Newquay Junior Academy!!

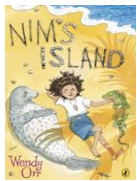
- * We celebrated World Book Day with pupils making story jars, discovering new books and guessing The Masked Readers.
- * Over 100 pupils have been competing in Cross Country races and several pupils have been selected for the next stages.
- * Pupils sang at Truro Cathedral for Song Fest and the NJA Choir will be performing for their families next week at the academy.
- * Rock Steady bands performed their songs this week in the Edge Hall and created their own Rock Steady Festival!
- * In Science, we were exploring magnets (Yr 4), dissecting lamb's hearts (Yr 6) and investigating different STEM activities.
- * Lego League represented NJA for the first time. Working with Mrs Springett and Mr Riches, alongside 30 other schools at RNAS Culdrose, they built their robot and developed their coding skills. We are so proud of all the pupils involved.
- * Year 5 were building fires and cooking their own South American stews as part of their Explorer topic and Outdoor Learning.
- * We all took part in Comic Relief today, wearing red, making our class smile and making/eating cakes to raise money.

Thank you to all the pupils, staff, families and friends who have helped to make these events such a success this term!

Please check your seesaw account, our website www.newquayjunior.net and www.facebook.com/NewquayJuniorAcademy for further information and pictures of these class activities.

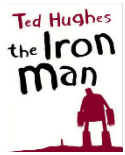
An overview of the activities coming up in each year group:

Year 3 – Exploring Earth:



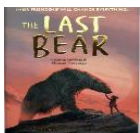
- We enjoyed sharing our books on World Book Day last week and we are finishing reading Nim's Island in class.
- Next week, Year 3 Drama Club perform "Geology Rocks", Mrs Robinson's play about what happens when a school digs up an unusual stone while planting seedlings...! We wish them all the best of luck for the show!
- Using Photopea to produce stop-frame animation videos and digitally enhanced artworks for our STEAM project.
- Next term, each class will have the opportunity to take part in our Year 3 swimming lessons to learn and improve their skills. All payments can be made via ParentPay.

Year 4 – Innovations and Inventions:



- Reading the Iron Man by Ted Hughes, uncovering the secrets to writing a tale of suspense and mystery.
- Developing our understanding of how magnetic fields interact to produce movement.
- Scientific investigation into how magnets can change the direction of a spinning motor. (See Facebook for some brilliant action shots of Year 4 during these practical sessions).
- In PE, we are taking part in Athletics and Tennis, beginning to build our sporting skills ready for the summer.

Year 5 – Explorers:



- Discovering more about our emotive class book, The Last Bear, the tale of a girl befriending the last polar bear.
- Studying graphs and statistics in Maths and writing opinion pieces in English.
- Developing our teamwork, accuracy and dodging skills in netball.
- Working outdoors with Mr Ellis Davis to learn survival skills. We made, cooked and ate some delicious stews! (Check out the Year 5 Explorers on Facebook, building fires, chopping ingredients and tasting their own stews.)

Year 6 - World War Two:



- Year 6 have been dissecting lamb hearts with Mr Ellis Davis to discover more about how human hearts work.
- Imagining and writing our own endings to our brilliant and poignant class book, When the Sky Falls.
- Developing our football skills and learning fitness routines that we can use to help us keep fit in the future.
- We are beginning to research Anderson Shelters and preparing to build our own versions in class.
- Thursday 21st March, next week, Yr 6 will celebrate Victory Day and can wear 1940s/WW2 outfits for the day.

Booking academy meals and Ninjas wrap around childcare on Sundays.

Please can we remind you to book any academy meals via ParentPay on Sunday, ready for the week ahead. Your account will need to be in credit on the day to secure these bookings. Any tuck items will need to be brought in from home. **Please ensure these do not contain NUTS**, as we have pupils with severe allergies on site, thank you.

Attendance figures for the week beginning Monday 4th March 2024

Reminder: Please arrive at 8.30am, ready for 8.40am registration. Thank you for ensuring your child arrives on time.

Year 3	Attendance	Year 4	Attendance	Year 5	Attendance	Year 6	Attendance
3BR	94%	4MM	95%	5RD	97%	6JD	88%
3JJ	96%	4DH	90%	5AS	94%	6JM	96%
3JR	95%	4GB	95%	5AC	94%	6MR	95%
3WM	93%	4MS	92%	5SP	89%	6MA	97%
						6TS	94%



Newquay Junior Academy Diary Dates for Spring Term 2024



Monday 18 th March	4MM & 4MS Residential Camp – Exploring Exeter Cathedral, Art Workshop & staying at the YHA. Outdoor activities at Adventure Okehampton and then return to the academy.
Tuesday 19 th March	
Monday 18 th March	Cross Country Qualifiers – selected pupils need to be collected 2.30pm from NJA and go to Poltair, St Austell.
Tuesday 19 th March	5AS Online Parents Evenings – on Tuesday 19 th March & Thursday 21 st March.
Thursday 21 st March	Year 6 celebrate Victory Day to end their topic and can dress up in appropriate 1940s/WW2 outfits.
Thursday 21 st March	NJA Choir will be singing sea shanties for parents/families at the “NJA Song Fest” . This will be for all the choir and will take place in The Edge Hall Audience members can arrive for 4.30pm at the side of the Edge Hall.

If your child is part of the choir - please complete this link to confirm your child's home time and if you will be attending the event. <https://forms.office.com/e/iB7g430F5x>. Thank you if you have already completed this.

Thursday 21 st March	AGM for the PTA at 4pm in 3JJ – parents/carers are welcome to join the annual PTA meeting.
Friday 22 nd March	Year 3 Drama club performance “Geology Rocks” in the Edge Hall from 3.05pm.
Final Week of Term	Monday 25th to Thursday 28th March – There are no after school activity clubs this week. Only paid for Karate, Spanish, Trio Dance are on. There are no other after school activity clubs. Ninjas early mornings are Monday – Thursday and after-hours Monday to Wednesday.

Please complete the form below for your child's home time arrangements for the last week. Monday 25th March to Thursday 28th March – there are no after school activity clubs.

<https://forms.office.com/e/sTtJxafHKq>

This will also be used as the standard home time for your child for the first week of the Summer Term and if any clubs are cancelled during the Summer Term.

Monday 25 th March	4GB & 4DH Residential Camp – Exploring Exeter Cathedral, Art Workshop & staying at the YHA. Outdoor activities at Adventure Okehampton and then return to the academy.
Tuesday 26 th March	
Monday 25 th March	Cross Country Finals at the Sports Centre – selected finalists will be sent details when they have qualified.
Wednesday 27 th March	Year 5 Sea Shanty Concert – Parents & carers are invited to come and watch Year 5 performing sea shanties.
Wednesday 27 th March	3BR and 3JR visit Tolcarne Beach for geology trip to explore the rocks on the beach.
Thursday 28 th March	3JJ and 3WM visit Tolcarne Beach for geology trip to explore the rocks on the beach.
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of term – All pupils finish at 2.55pm on this day. No NINJAS wraparound afterhours childcare or activity clubs on this day. -----
Summer Term	Monday 15th April – Friday 26th July 2024.
Weds 1st – Fri 3rd May	Porthpean Activity Camp – further details will be sent out to families nearer the time.
Monday 6th May	May Day Bank Holiday – academy closed.
Monday 13 th May	Year 6 SATS will take place this week – Monday 13 th May – Friday 17 th May. All Year 6 pupils need to arrive on time and ready for the day during this important week.
Summer Half Term	Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024. -----
Monday 3 rd June	First day back after half term.
Friday 26 th July	Last day of term – All pupils finish at 2.55pm on this day. No NINJAS wraparound afterhours childcare or activity clubs on Friday 26th July 2024.

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