



Dear Parents, Carers & Children

Christmas has truly landed here at Newburgh.

This Week

This week our Year 6 mathematicians participated in Reasoning Club again. On Wednesday Team Venables helped Team Crane to set the stage for their Nativity performance. They then watched a rehearsal so Year 6 could support their buddies. We ended the week with our Early Years Nativity, always a truly special occasion. Congratulations to Team Early Years for a magical performance.

Next Week

Team Rigby start our week with their Christingle Service in church at 6pm on Monday. Please bring children to church for 5.45pm in their school uniform with long hair tied up. Tickets must be purchased in advance on ParentPay for this event. Team Rigby will then have a Forest School Day on Tuesday – please send children into school in warm, waterproof outdoor clothes with wellies or walking shoes in a bag. Wednesday is our Christmas dinner and jumper day. Please send children into school in their Christmas jumpers & festive headwear. Our Eco Council will have a special meeting after school on Wednesday around the fire pit. We end the week with the school choir presenting a small performance of some songs they have been rehearsing this term for their families. Please come to the main entrance of school after dropping children off at 8am, this is free of charge as thanks for supporting the school choir.

PTA

Please come and support the Christmas Fair tomorrow where our PTA have a stall. We also need help to sell refreshments at the Christmas concerts. If you can give half an hour or more to sell mince pies and mulled wine please let your PTA rep know. Please also send donations of mulled wine, mince pies and prosecco for our refreshment stalls. Thank you.

Reminders

We close for the Christmas holidays at 2.30pm on Friday 19th December and there is no Afterschool Club on this day.

And Finally

We are still collecting unwanted blankets to donate to Douglas Valley Lions to help children in Ukraine. The last day to bring donations is next Friday. We are also still collecting presents to put under our tree in the hall to be distributed by Douglas Valley Lions to families in need. The last day we can accept presents is also next Friday.

Warmest Regards,





Our Shining Lights:

This week those children who have been shining lights in school are:-

Team Crane and Nursery

Rowan – for playing a great card game with Team Nursery.

Aoife – for saying kind & positive things to others.

All of Team Crane – for working hard to make their nativity performance magical for their families.

All of Team Nursery – for their amazing effort with the Nativity practises.

Team Lucas

Rocco – for showing great determination in his ukulele lesson this week.

Aria – for being so helpful.

Kieran – for always having a smile in the mornings.

Milan – for always being an amazing role model.

Sadie – for super acting skills.

Alfie & Diano – for great reading.

Jenson – for always being helpful.

Isla – for being helpful in class.

Agnes & Louisa – for being good friends.

Freddie – for super phonics & writing.

Team Rigby

Alfie – for making a superb effort in his guitar lesson this week, overcoming obstacles and encouraging his classmates.

Josh – for having a fantastic attitude in guitar lessons showing commitment and perseverance.

Hughie – for excellent handwriting and great effort in maths.

Jasmine – for looking out for her friends.

Lily – for showing our Christian value of respect.

Finlay – for helping to keep our classroom tidy

Cody – for being helpful.

Team Venables

Hayden, Marnie & Eliza – for mastering a new song in their guitar lesson.

All of Year 6 – for working so well together to create the stage for our Early Years Nativity.

Isabelle – for being so helpful.

All of Team Venables – for fantastic rehearsing of the Christmas performance.

Lilly – for showing kindness to others.

Hayden – for fantastic writing this week.

Choir Club – for their beautiful singing around the piano.

Well done for letting your light shine in school this week.

Time to Shine

Those children who have demonstrated both effort in school and the Gospel Value of Respect are:-

Team Crane

Ralph

Team Lucas

Diano

Emelia

Team Rigby

Seb

Cody

Team Venables

Eliza

Scarlet

Congratulations to the **APPLE FAMILY** for gaining the most points this week.

TTRS Leaderboard:-

Year 3 – Lily H

Year 4 – Leo B

Year 5 – Jack D

Year 6 – James R

Next Week at Newburgh:-

Dinners – Week 3

Mon – Rigby Christingle Service at 6pm

Tues – Rigby Forest School.

Weds – Christmas Jumper & Dinner day

Thurs – Rigby last swimming before Xmas

Fri – Choir Performance for families 8.15am. Last day to donate a present.



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Stable Lives Nativity:

🌲 The festive season is upon us, which can be a challenging time for many families. 🌲

Here at Stable Lives we want to offer a special opportunity to those who are currently facing difficult circumstances. We're hosting a heartwarming Christmas Nativity Event, specially aimed at families under the following:-

- Disadvantaged on low incomes
- Impacted by the effects of mental health
- Foster care/ pre or post adoption
- Bereavement of significance
- Military Blue light services
- Significant health crisis
- Impacted by cancer personally or of a family member
- Impacted by death through Suicide

Our main event will take place on the **21st December**. The first wave will start from **10:30am with the final wave at 3:30pm each wave will take approximately 1 hour**. During the event, children will receive a walk-through interactive tour of our nativity and finish in the elves workshop where they will go on to meet Fr. Christmas in his grotto and receive a bag of gifts that will leave them delighted on Christmas Day - even if it is all they will receive. 🎁

This year we want to be as inclusive as we possibly can and so, we are providing a calm and quiet session on **Saturday 20th December** from **1700-1745**. This will be a quiet time within our Christmas craft area. Children will get to meet Father Christmas and join in with some fun activities if they wish to but there will be no active nativity walk. Places for this are very limited, so please just apply for them if a quiet and simplified event is essential. 🎁

Applications can be done by families, schools and wider support services including GP's and Social Services. If selected, it is free to families and they will be allocated an hour slot. 🚗

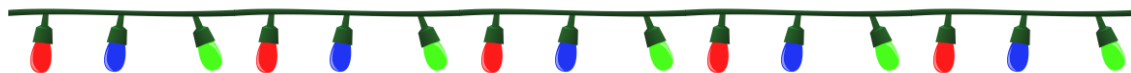
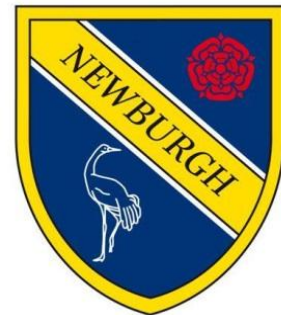
We are based in Parbold, Lancashire - close to Junction 27 of the M6 or Parbold Train Station.

Christmas Nativity Event: <https://form.jotform.com/StableLives/christmas25>

Thanks

Elf Workshop Team

Christmas at Newburgh CE School & Nursery



Christmas Post

From **1st December** the Office Assistants will be running our Christmas card postal service. Children can write cards to their friends with names and classes clearly on the envelope and put them in our special post box. This will run **until Wednesday 17th December**.

Presents Under The Tree

As part of the School Council's commitment to supporting local charities we are asking those who are able to purchase an extra Christmas present this year that will be donated to Douglas Valley Lions for local families in need. Please wrap your present and put a gift tag on it with the requisite gender and age the present will be suitable for (for example Boy, Aged 5). The appeal range is from birth to 16 years old. Presents can be placed under our Christmas tree **from the 1st to the 12th December**. Thank you.

Festive Fitness Challenge

Our PE Ambassadors & Playground Leaders will be promoting health and fitness in December. During lunch time there will be some fun fitness challenges for children to have a go at.

PTA Stall at Christmas Fair

The PTA will have a tombola stall at the Christmas Fair on **Saturday 6th December**. There will be a non-uniform day on **Friday 21st November** in exchange for tombola prizes.

Christmas Dinner Day

Christmas dinner day is **Wednesday 10th December**. Children are invited to come to school in their Christmas jumpers/dresses and wearing festive accessories. Please order your Christmas dinner using the [Autumn Special Lunches Form](#).

Christmas Performances

Always a highlight of the year our performances are as follows:

Nursery & Reception: The First Nativity will be held on the school field on **Friday 5th December at 13.30**. Our PTA will be providing refreshments at this event. **Tickets available now on ParentPay.**

Lucas: Years 1 and 2 will be performing 'Honky Tonky Donkey' in the school hall on **Monday 15th December at 14.15**. Our PTA will be providing refreshments at this event. **Tickets available now on ParentPay.**

Rigby: Years 3 and 4 will present a Christingle Service in church on **Monday 8th December at 18.00**. Children need to be at church in their school uniform for **17.45**. Children will need to bring an orange to school on the 5th December to make their Christingle. **Tickets available now on ParentPay.**

Venables: Years 5 and 6 will present 'Carols by Candlelight' in the school hall on **Tuesday 16th December at 18.00**. Children will need to be back at school for **17.45** in their school uniform with Christmas jumper and Santa hat. Our PTA will be providing refreshments at this event. **Tickets available now on ParentPay.**

Tickets are limited depending upon the event and will be made available to purchase on ParentPay soon.

Our Choir will also do a free mini performance for their families on **Friday 12th December**. Please arrive with children at **08.00** for this.

Our Dance Club will do a free mini performance for their families on **Monday 15th December**. Please arrive at **16.00** for this (time subject to change).

If you are able to donate mulled wine, prosecco/cava or mince pies for the PTA refreshments please do so.

Christmas Party Day

Christmas party day is **Wednesday 17th December**. Children are invited to attend school in their party wear for a fun day of activities and a treat provided by our PTA. There will be a special party lunch.