



Dear Parents, Carers & Children

This Week

What a way to end this half term. Children in Crane and Venables had their Diwali and South America theme days. They came together in the hall to dance samba and bhangra together as well as enjoying music, food and traditions associated with their themes. Our Head Girl Ava represented school at a public speaking event with a fantastic presentation about her greatest invention – music. Finally we sent a team of amazing runners to a relay event against other local schools and our team showed amazing team spirit they were their own best champions which I am so proud of.

Next Half Term

There's another busy week when we return from half term. Team Rigby have their trip to Catalyst museum (please ensure permission has been given on ParentPay) and Team Venables present their Remembrance Worship on Wednesday (their families are invited to join us in church for this). Team Rigby start their swimming lessons on Thursday (see ParentPay for more information) Our Year 5/6 boys football team represent school at the Lancashire competition qualifier on Thursday and we have a special Bonfire Night lunch on Friday. We try to make use of the outdoors as much as possible, whatever the weather. Please make sure children come to school with appropriate, waterproof, warm clothing.

Enrichment Clubs

Our new Dance Club starts on Monday 10th November – please use the flyer on this newsletter to book places for this. Choir club returns on Friday 14th November (not the 7th), please book places for this on ParentPay. More clubs will follow after half term.

Charity Day

Our school council have run votes in classes and the children have decided to have a non-uniform day on Friday 14th November in support of Alder Hey cardiac department.

Parents Evening

Our parents' evenings are on the 11th and 12th November. Please fill out a [Parents Evening Form](#) for each child to let us know your availability.

Year 5 Bikeability

The re-arranged dates for this are November 24th, 27th & 28th. Please complete the [form here](#)

All Round Care Debts

The Governors have decided to apply admin charges when paper letters are sent home to remind parents about outstanding debts on ParentPay. This will be applied when we return after half term. We will also be reviewing registers and will no longer hold places for children in debt to All Round Care.

And Finally

Thank you for all the harvest donations, they were collected to day by Skelmersdale food bank assisted by Coen and Ava, Head Boy and Girl.

Have a wonderful half term break.

Warmest Regards,





Our Shining Lights:

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

Team Crane and Nursery

All of Team Crane – for their enthusiasm towards our Diwali celebrations.

Ralph & Tess – for teaching us about the solar system.

Team Lucas

Joshua – for being a god role model in PE to Year 1's.

Poppy – for always being an excellent helper.

Liv, Pippa, Sadie & Jenson – for super stories in Literacy.

Kieran & Gabe – for excellent use of vocabulary.

Poppy, Agnes & Georgia – for super artwork.

Team Rigby

Leo C – for always being respectful.

George & Anabelle – for super maths.

Seb – for being super brave!

Hattie – for helping others.

Alex, Polly & Megan – for being super role models.

Team Venables

Ava & Lily C – for representing school in the public speaking event.

Rhianna – for creating such lovely locker labels for staff.

All of Team Venables – for all excelling and completing their assessment in swimming.

Evie – for fantastic literacy work this week.

Lilly P – for effort in maths.

All who competed in the Composite Relay – your sportsmanship was fantastic, being the biggest supporters of each other.

Bradley, Freddie & Georgia – for supporting their siblings in the wind and the rain at the composite relay event.

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

Time to Shine

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

Team Crane

Jackson

Team Lucas

Annabelle

Agnes

Team Rigby

Noah

Jasmine

Team Venables

Scarlett

George

Congratulations to the **CHERRY & WILLOW FAMILIES** for gaining the most points this week.

Times Tables Rock Stars Leaderboard:-

Year 3 - George

Year 4 - Alex

Year 5 - Rhianna

Year 6 - Grayson

Next Week at Newburgh:-

Dinners – Week 1 Autumn/Winter Menu

Tues – Flu immunisations

Weds – Rigby Trip to Catalyst. Venables Remembrance Service at 9.15.

Thurs – Rigby swimming starts; Y5/6 Boys football comp @JMO 4pm

Fri – Bonfire Lunch

Tower Wood:

Don't forget to pay the deposit for Tower Wood Residential (Years 5 & 6) by Monday 3rd November.



Half Term Competition:

We would like to invite all children to take part in a competition to design a new greetings card that can be used throughout the year for our school. We would like the children to capture what Newburgh School means to them. The card could include the following; our school gospel values, a drawing of the school, our school motto 'Let Your Light Shine' Matthew 5:14-16. The design will need to be A4 and must be LANDSCAPE. Please only use felt tips, colouring pencils or paint (no collage). The closing date is FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER.

Primary and Secondary Admissions September 2026:

Admissions are now open for children due to start primary and secondary schools in September 2026. To apply for places please go to: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

The closing date to apply for secondary school places (current Year 6 pupils) is: **Sunday 31st October 2025.**

Secondary school offers are confirmed to parents on **Monday 2nd March 2026.**

The closing date to apply for primary school places (current Nursery children) is: **15th January 2026.**

Primary school offers are confirmed to parents on **Thursday 16th April 2026.**

Moorcroft House Consultation:

Dear Resident,

Three Trustees from Ormrod and Hackey Charity regarding Moorcroft House attended the Parish Council meeting on 24th September. A statement was read out giving the latest position regarding the proposed closure of Moorcroft House and the eviction of people living there. The full statement can be read by accessing the draft minutes of the meeting at: <https://newburghparishcouncil.gov.uk/meetings/council-meeting-24-september-2025/>

The statement outlined the Trustees' commitment to prioritising residents' safety and welfare, compliance with the Charity's governing scheme and the law and the immediate and long-term best interests of the Charity. The Trustees understand the strength of feeling within the community and are committed to communicating respectfully and transparently, where appropriate, as matter progress. It was also explained that the Trustees are somewhat bound by data protection legislation.

It was stated that the plan for the future was that the Trustees still wish to operate the Charity in a sustainable and more impactful way for the benefit of the residents of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church, Newburgh. The intention at present and subject to the necessary and regulatory consents and consultation within the area of the Charity is to become a grant making charity in order to provide financial support to those elderly in need within the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church, Newburgh.

At the end of the statement, it was announced that a consultation would be held encouraging the local community to contact the Trustees via an email address to give any and all views, or suggestions regarding the proposals. Any residents who hold a view regarding this issue can provide feedback to the following email address:

ormrodandhackeyhome@gmail.com

It was stated that the consultation would run for six to eight weeks, so a definite end date is not known at this stage. Newburgh Parish Council would recommend that you respond to the consultation by **Tuesday 4th November.**



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