



Newlands Junior School Newsletter June 2026

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to two teachers at the end of this term. Mrs Matthews will be retiring and Miss Coupe is taking up a new venture that will still involve teaching. We will inform parents/carers and pupil as soon as we have appointed new staff. We would like to thank them for their dedication to Newlands and know they will be sorely missed.



Ofsted Inspection: Once again I would like to celebrate with you our amazing achievements during our recent Ofsted inspection. The children shone and were a real credit to themselves, their families and their school. It is definitely a very proud moment. I would like to thank the staff for their dedication and to thank you as parents and carers for your continued support.

Please click on the link on our website to read the report if you have not already done so.



Multiplication Check: A huge well done to our Year 4 pupils who took their multiplication check last week. They did exceptionally well and worked so hard to prepare.

You will receive your child's score as soon as they are released



Foodbank: As part of our ongoing charity work, we are continuing to support Sherwood Forest foodbank. Children are encouraged to bring in one food item each month. Please put this in the shopping trolley in reception. Thank you to those of you who have already donated.



The emergency services have requested that we remind adults dropping children off at school and collecting at the end of the day to please park considerably. There has recently been a situation where a fire engine was not able to get past the parked cars. Please, for everyone's safety do not double park, park on corners or on the yellow zig-zags outside of school.



Sports Day: Over the final six weeks of the school year, we have a packed calendar with Sports Day, Summer Fair and the Year 6 production to name a few. We start off with sports day on Wednesday 17th June. Please join us for a picnic lunch from 12 noon. Races will begin at 12.45. Should it rain, we will inform you as soon as possible and rearrange. You should have received notification of the colour team your child is in. Please can your child wear a t-shirt in this colour, if possible, otherwise wear usual PE kit.



Summer Fair: Our Summer Fair will be held on Thursday 10th July. Further information will be sent out about donations soon. The money we are raising supports school in purchasing those little extras when budgets are so tight. This year we are raising additional funds for our outside classroom. Please continue to send in bottle donations for our bottle store.



Year 6 Production:

The Year 6 Production

'What a Knight' begins on

Tuesday 14th July at 1:45 pm, with Year 3 children singing in the choir. The second performance is on Wednesday 15th July at 1:45 pm, with Year 4 children singing in the choir. The final performance is on Wednesday 15th July at 6:00 pm, with Year 5 children singing in the choir. Tickets are available from the school office from **Monday 30th June**.



Class Transition Dates: Year 6 pupils moving to Garibaldi have three planned transition days on the 6th to the 8th of July. Pupils will make their own way to Garibaldi on those days and must wear school uniform.

On Tuesday 7th July, pupils in Years 3, 4 and 5 will spend the morning in their new classrooms with their new teachers and teaching assistants.



In September, we will have a small amount of places available in years 3, 4 and 5. If you know anyone looking for a new school place, please advise them to contact Admissions on 03005008080 as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.



Holidays in term time

Finally, a reminder regarding fines for holidays taken in term time for next year. If you have taken one or two holidays this year, please remember the fines will increase.

Second offence: A second fine issued within any three-year rolling period remains fixed at £160 per parent, per child (with no early payment reduction).

Third offence: A third offence within three years bypasses the fine stage. Your case will be escalated directly to the Magistrates' Court, where you could face prosecution and a fine of up to £2,500.

Please do not book a third holiday and risk this huge fine. School is unable to support in any way as fines are issued by the local authority and we have to adhere to these regulations.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming events in school in our final weeks.

Mrs Castledine

Dates for your diary. These can also be found on our school website:



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Diary Dates

Summer Term 2026



Date	Event
Week beginning: 15.06.2026	
15.06.2026	Y5 Safety Awareness Event at Vicars Water - more details to follow
17.06.2026	12pm Picnic followed at 1pm by Sports Day - more details to follow
Week beginning: 22.06.2026	
24.06.2026	Y6 visit to Galleries of Justice - more details to follow
25.06.2026	Y5 visit to the church
25.06.2026	2:30pm Rocksteady Concert for parents/carers of children taking part in Rocksteady – more details to follow
Week beginning: 29.06.2026	
29.06.2026 – 03.07.2026	Y5 Bikeability - more details to follow
30.06.2026	Y4 visit to the church
30.06.2026	Y6 Moving on Workshop with Mr Darlington
01.07.2026	1:30pm Summer Fair - more details to follow
Week beginning: 06.07.2026	
06.07.2026 – 09.07.2026	Y5 Bikeability - more details to follow
06.07.2026 – 08.07.2026	Y6 Transition days to Garibaldi School – any child not going to Garibaldi in September will come to school as usual.
06.07.2026	Y4 (20 children) sing WW2 songs at Clipstone Hall Lodge
07.07.2026	Whole school transition morning, John T children stay all day at Newlands.
07.07.2026	2:30pm New parents meeting for Y2 children who will be in Y3 in September
07.07.2026	Y2/3 Potted Sports pm
07.07.2026	KS2 SATs results out
08.07.2026	Y4/5 Potted Sports am
Week beginning: 13.07.2026	
13.07.2026	Y5 visit to Perlethorpe - more details to follow
13.07.2026	9:30am Y6 Play dress rehearsal to Y3, Y4 & Y2s from JTR
14.07.2026	1:45pm Y6 play performance for parents/carers (Y3 children support) - more details to follow
15.07.2026	1:45pm Y6 play performance for parents/carers (Y4 children support) - more details to follow 6pm Y6 play performance for parents/carers (Y5 children return to school to support Y6) - more details to follow
15.07.2026	Y3 visit to Pleasley pit - more details to follow
16.07.2026	Y3 visit to Pleasley pit - more details to follow
17.07.2026	2:15pm Celebration and Superstars Assembly for parents/carers - more details to follow Reports sent home today including reviewed support plans.
Week beginning: 20.07.2026	
20.07.2026	Y4 Evacuee Day in the afternoon - more details to follow
21.07.2026	Y3 last swimming session.
21.07.2026	Y6 Leavers Disco 3-5pm
22.07.2026	Y4 visit to Veolia Recycling - more details to follow
24.07.2026	9am Y6 Leaver's Assembly - more details to follow 2:30pm Y6 Water fight against staff - more details to follow CHILDREN BREAK UP FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS TODAY
Week beginning: 27.07.2026	

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INSET DAY

Monday 31st August – BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday 1st September – INSET DAY

Children return to school on Wednesday 2nd September 2026

INSET DAYS FOR THE REST OF THIS ACADEMIC YEAR ARE:

Monday 27th July 2026

Please follow link for next academic year's holidays
remember our INSET days are not on this Notts County Council list:
<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-holidays-and-closures/school-holiday-and-term-dates>

PE days for the Summer Term 2026 are:

Year 3 Tuesday and Friday

Year 4 Tuesday and Thursday

Year 5 Wednesday and Thursday

Year 6 Wednesday & Friday