

Newbold Church of England Primary School

At Newbold we aim to support each other to live, learn and excel together as a Christian community.

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up," 1 Thessalonians 5:11

We aim for excellence - building self-confidence and independence so that children are happy and well-motivated; keen to question; inspire and embrace change. Through the Christian ethos of the school, we value difference, diversity, and grow together as a community of lifelong learners.

Living out our vision as a Church of England School

Summer 2024

Collective Worship

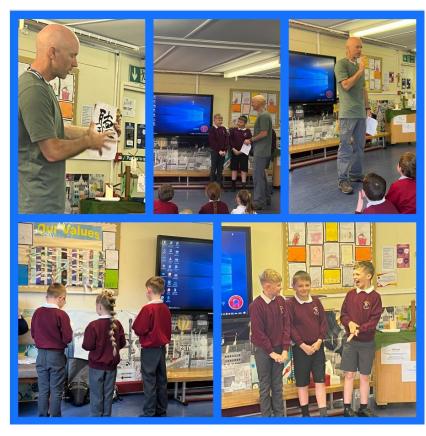
During summer one the collective worship was based on the value of service. We also heard lots of stories about Jesus from the gospels, about his friends the disciples and the stories he told called parables.

In summer two we focused on the value of truthfulness and learnt about some characters from the old testament, Jonah, Joshua, David and Ruth.

We also continued to have visits from YFC and Open the Book to tell us some stories from the bible.







Awards



We were very excited to discover that one of our year 6 children had won 2nd place in the Queen Mother's Handwriting Award. Great Work!

We also continued with the reading challenge and the children received lots of different prizes including some children won a trip to play on the park together. Keep up the good reading.





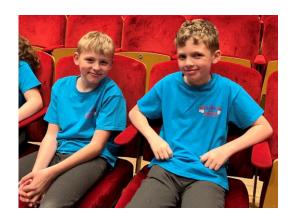
De Montfort Choral Spectacular

On Thursday 25th April KS2 performed in the massed choir at the Choral Spectacular in De Montfort Hall. They performed the songs

All is found
Beyond the Sea
Let the River Run
The Lighthouse
Under the Sea
We knew the way

We were very proud of them for working so hard in their preparations for the concert and performing so well.





Maypole Competition

On Friday 3rd May the year 2,3 & 4 performed two dances, 'The single plait' and 'The Twister' as part of a competition with 5 schools. Sheepy Magna Team won the competition and the beautiful Maypole Trophy.



Only three of the children had experience of Maypole dancing before and they all had to work very hard as a team to perform their dances well. On the day the children showed that they could work together well and performed beautifully.



Anti-Bullying Video

One of our parent governors has been coming into school to lead a series of lessons to enable the children to make a video to give an antibullying message. On each visit she has worked with the children to build up the plan for a story and to record the sound effects for the video.











Robins

Year 1&2 enjoyed finding out about London in the first half of the term. They used the story of The Queen's Hat to write their own story about King Charles' Umbrella. After learning about the landmarks of London they were able to write a letter advising Marley the Meercat on his visit to London from Malaysia. We spent a lot of finding out about the great fire of London and the impact it had on the rebuilding of the city.

In science we explored the properties of different materials and about John McAdam's work on improving roads. We worked really hard on learning how to draw portraits and how artists include items in their paintings to say something about the subject.

In the second half of the term we moved onto the theme of coastlines and explored the geography and history of Whitby. We used maps of Whitby to learn about using keys and giving directions using the points of the compass. Investigating erosion using sand, rocks and water in a box and making waves was great fun and showed the damage that the waves do to the cliffs and beach. In art we explored texture to make a painting of the sea and then used it for our Father's Day card. Also, in DT we found out to make things more rigid and worked on designing and making for our beach huts which everyone was very proud of.

We particularly enjoyed reading the book 'The puffin Keeper' by Michael Morpurgo.



We continued to learn about the synagogue after our visit and also Muslim and Jewish places of worship. After half term we learnt about the gospel's good news of peace, friendship and forgiveness.

Reception spent the first half term learning stories associated with castles, Jack and the Beanstalk, Paddington at the Palace and St George and the Dragon. We all enjoyed our visit to Ashby castle and completing our activities as we explored.

We have been busy making things from junk, a castle and then a lighthouse. This half term we have enjoyed many different stories about the beach and enjoyed making artwork out of shells.







What a busy term for KS2!

At the beginning of the term, the Year 6's coped amazingly with the Y6 SATs. They have all worked extremely hard in all subjects and we are excited to see their results. Well done Year 6, you did yourselves proud. The Friday of SATs week concluded with a French Art day. The children were introduced to French food and conversation and then designed a piece of artwork inspired by France and the Olympics.



This term saw the return of the Newbold Science Fair. What a fabulous atmosphere it was that afternoon. We welcomed many visitors into school and the children confidently talked "science" all afternoon! The winners, Katy and Darcey with "What happens to bread over time?" and Kohan and Zachary with "Great inventors over time" were unanimous winners, who enjoyed a fabulous day at Ashby School for their primary school science fair. Well done everyone for making the event such a great success.











KS2 – Summer 2

We had a member of staff from Leicester City Football Club in the Community running forest school sessions for KS2. The children have had a wonderful and adventurous five weeks participating in Forest Schools. They have hunted for bugs, made shelters, lit fires, made dragonflies, wands and wooden hangers. They have learnt a range of survival skills and worked hard together as a team. The final week proved a particular favourite, with creating improvised tyre slides and eating smores around the campfire.



The summer term brought a few sporting fixtures for us.

Swimming gala – A small group of Year 6 children represented our school at the Unity Swimming Gala at Whitwick and Coalville Leisure Centre. There were many schools and the children enjoyed competing. They especially enjoyed the relay race at the end. We were proud that Molly was awarded a bronze medal for girl's backstroke which was awarded at the Unity presentation evening where the football team received their runners up medal and Madi was awarded her medal for coming third in the Unity Art Competition. All children and parents had a great evening watching the performances of other schools and then performing two songs of their own.

Netball – The children took part in the Unity Netball tournament, we didn't make it to the play offs but learnt lots of new tactics.



Cricket – The children worked hard to learn the rules of kwik cricket and under the expert guidance of our team captains, Archie and Corey, were set to compete against Woodstone, Sheepy Magna, Griffydam and Snarestone. Unfortunately, rain stopped play. Thank you to the parents for providing shuttle runs to get everyone back to school. Play has been postponed to September.

The rest of the term has been heavily focused on the KS2 production of Let Loose. It has been absolutely fantastic for the staff to get their teeth back into school productions. Watching the children grow and realise their inner performer has been a treat to see. We must express our thanks to the parents for helping the children learn their parts and to the staff – without whom we couldn't have put on the production. Special thanks go to Nola for stepping in and to Archie for adding an additional role to his repartee at the last moment. There were some surprising stars – we watch this space for future am. dram. stars!









School Clubs

After school clubs have continued on four nights a week. The children have had opportunities to experience many different skills lead by different specialists.

The art club submitted so more pictures to hopefully be published in a book.





Netball Competition

Swimming

During this summer term KS2 have travelled to Hood Park Leisure centre for weekly swimming lessons. The children have enjoyed having the opportunity to build up their skills.

Staff Wellbeing

During one of our INSET days the staff had an opportunity to try out some wreath making. All the staff worked hard to complete their wreath. At the end of the morning all the wreaths looked very different from each other but were all ready to hang on their doors.







Reception Visit to Ashby Castle

On Thursday, 9th May reception went into Ashby de la Zouch on the bus to visit Ashby Castle. The children went dressed as knights and enjoyed the different activities around the castle. As well as going in the stocks, walking through the underground tunnel and climbing the tower, the children performed their jokes in the dining room and completed tasks in the kitchen.









We enjoyed having some animal visitors this term. The chicks visited the different classes and a member of Robins class explained to each class all about them and how they were cared for. Mrs Kendrick also brought in some lambs and told us all about them.





Many thanks to Mrs Kendrick who bought in Salty and Caramel to meet the children. The hand reared lambs were a great hit and lead to lots of questions about sustainable farming in our local community.



Whole School Trip to Calke Abbey

On Monday, 20th May the whole school visited Calke Abbey. KS1 went on a scavenger hunt in the grounds and then went in search of old toys inside the house. KS2 visited the house and gardens.













Whole School French/ Art Day

On Friday, 17th May the whole school entered an art competition. Everyone was asked to design a poster to advertise the 2024 Olympics in Paris. Five posters where then submitted to the competition.











Sports Day

Well done to all the teams on a great sports day. All the teams worked hard to complete the challenges. Well done to the Year 6 for helping to organise the team games so well.



Science Fayre

On Wednesday 19th June the children brought in science experiments they had worked on at home based on time. They presented them to our parent and carers throughout the afternoon. Everyone who visited voted and two experiments were chosen to represent the school at the Ashby School Science Fayre on 27th June. Those who went had a chance to join in lots of activities there.





Leavers Service

The Year 6 read some poems and shared some memories, said a prayer and each received a bible, book and card from St Matthews Church.

We also said goodbye to Mrs Haywood and wished her well in her retirement.













End of Term Achievement Assembly

The lunchtime champions and stars for the term were given a book token as a reward.

We enjoyed performances by Owls and also those who take music lessons.

















We finished the year by giving the cup for the person who had made great progress over the year.

Trip to Warwick Castle

On Monday 8th July all the school went on an amazing visit to Warwick Castle. There was so much to see and find out about.













