



Newlands Primary News & Information 2nd November 2023



Dates for Your diary

Tuesday 14th November – Parental consultations 5.30pm – 8pm

Wednesday 15th November - Parental consultations 3.30pm – 6.00pm

Monday 27th November – St Andrews Day – School closed

Wednesday 13th December - Christmas Lunch

SCHOOL UNIFORM

It is wonderful to see the children looking smart and ready to learn in their school uniform. This should be worn daily and if you require any additional uniform items, please check with the school office before purchasing as we have excess in school.

Poppies are available in school, they will be taken round the classrooms next week



Water Bottles

Please remember to bring in a water bottle!

We would prefer children filled water bottles with water and not juice. Fizzy drinks are not allowed in school.

Box of Tissues – We welcome donations as it gets colder in the next few months. Many thanks!



PE - Don't forget your Kit!

Tuesday & Friday
No Juice in PE hall please! We have

Please check your child's school bag daily

Homework! **Forms!**
Permission Slips!

Despite the weather we were able to get to the woods on Wednesday.

We are focussing on using a simple object as a stimulus for a story.

In teams of 5 we explored magical adventures by using keys to unlock imaginary doors to a new kingdom, a wand to explore magic, hieroglyphics as a special transporter and a magic stone to find lost friends.



Great imagination shown by P1/2.



We made a scene from 'Room on the Broom.' We needed the wood to balance on the box to make the broom. We had to work as a team and talk to each other to get it to work. Oliver



Pumpkin carving in preparation for Halloween.

We have been developing our iPad skills by learning to edit a photograph. We took photos of each other and designed a Halloween outfit for them.

In writing, we have been learning about note taking. We researched different types of trees and identified key words.





P567 had their second visit from Ben at the Tweed Foundation. This week we learned about electro fishing and went down to the River Lyne to watch how it is done. Then we looked at samples of salmon, brown trout and minnow which live in the water.



Allergies – Please do not send your child to school with nut related products – We have a few children who are allergic to nuts. Thank you for your continued support.

Nivea sun products now contain nuts and is no longer a suitable brand of sun cream to be used in school

Special Dietary requests – If your child has any special dietary requests please email: specialdietarequests@scotborders.gov.uk

Reminder That School Enrolment Week Is Taking Place 20th - 24th November 2023

Primary School Enrolment If your child is five years of age before the end of February 2025, they are eligible to attend primary school from August 2024. Please visit www.scotborders.gov.uk/schoolenrolment during or after enrolment week and upload a copy of your child's birth certificate and proof of your address. Secondary School Enrolment If your child is moving from primary to secondary school in August 2024 you will receive details of the local catchment school from their current primary school. Placement requests If you want to send your child to a school that is out with your catchment area this is called a placement request. If you choose to make a placement request you must also make contact with your catchment school and complete an on-line enrolment form so that they can reserve a place for your child in the event that your placement request is refused. You should then contact your preferred school and complete an on-line placement request form. More information and to find out more you can: Visit us online www.scotborders.gov.uk/schoolenrolment Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) Enrolments – 3 & 4 year olds Children born between 1st March 2020 and 28 February 2022 will be eligible for up to 1140 hours of funded ELC from August 2024, these hours are allocated on a pro-rata basis depending on when children start throughout the year. Funded ELC is free to families and is paid for by the Scottish Government and local authorities. It can be provided at school nurseries, private and voluntary managed nurseries and playgroups and some childminders who have a contract with Scottish Borders Council to provide funded places. Parents are asked to make contact with the ELC setting of their choice to discuss options for their child prior to making an application during enrolment week. Further information www.scotborders.gov.uk/elc Deferred Entry Applications New legislation means that children who turn 5 years of age between 15th August 2024 and 28th February 2025 are able to defer their entry to P1 and receive another year of funded ELC Further information www.scotborders.gov.uk/elc CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES Council Headquarters Tel: 0300 100 1800 www.scotborders.gov.uk Scottish Borders – the place to live and work

School term dates for 2023-24

Autumn term

- Monday 14 August 2023 - staff resume, in service day
- Tuesday 15 August 2023 - in service day
- Wednesday 16 August 2023 - pupils resume
- Friday 6 October 2023 - Casual holiday Tweeddale
- Monday 16 October 2023 In service day
- Tuesday 17 October 2023 All resume
- Monday 27 November 2023 - St Andrew's Day, schools closed
- Tuesday 28 November 2023 - Pupils resume
- Thursday 21 December 2023 - last day of term for pupils and staff

Winter term

- Monday 8 January 2024 - all resume
- Friday 9 February 2024 - last day of term for pupils, February holiday
- Monday 12 February 2024 - Casual holiday Tweeddale)
- Monday 19 February 2024 In service day
- Tuesday 20 February 2024 - all resume
- Thursday 28 March 2024 - last day of term for pupils and staff

Summer term

- Monday 15 April 2024 - all resume
- Monday 6 May 2024 - May Day holiday, school closed
- Tuesday 7 May 2024 - staff resume, in service day
- Wednesday 8 May 2024 - pupils resume
- Friday 28 June 2024 – last
- day of term for pupils and staff

Casual holidays

Each [learning community](#) allocates two casual holidays for pupils and staff which are usually aligned to their local festivals.

Some casual holidays for 2023-24 are still to be confirmed.

Tweeddale

- Friday 6 October 2023
- Monday 12 February 2024
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After School Club

Newlands Activity Centre

What do we offer?

- Fun activities, crafts, baking
- Forest school activities
- Growing and cultivating plants, fruit and vegetables
- Group team building games
- Themed weeks
- Healthy snacks
- Homework support
- Much much more

Days and times

Mon - Thurs,
3:00 - 6:00pm

Friday
12:15 - 4:15pm

For more info contact Gill Ross,
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