



FRIDAY NEWCHURCH

8th February 2019

PRIMARY ARTS NETWORK

From Friday 15th February until Thursday 14th March, artwork from over 40 Warrington Primary Schools, including ours, will be exhibited in The Pyramid, The Gateway and Warrington Library. I am sure that this will be as spectacular as ever so please do try and visit after school or during half term.

This year there is chance to win a family ticket (for up to 5) to see 'Elmer the Patchwork Elephant' at The Parr Hall on Sunday 31st March. To enter the competition simply visit the exhibition and tweet a photograph of you, or something that you have seen at the exhibition, and include @warringtonPAN in your tweet. We will select a tweet at random to win the tickets. We look forward to seeing your tweets!

THERAPY DOG

Miss Ingham and her dog Holly have been undergoing extensive training to become our school PAT dog. This has been a fantastic and exciting journey for both Miss Ingham and Holly to work alongside each other and have a positive and influential impact in our school. On Tuesday, Holly took her Pets As Therapy (PAT) exams and she passed with flying colours. Following all of their training, Miss Ingham and Holly can't wait to start working closely within our Newchurch family focusing on reading with our children. We are very lucky to have gorgeous Holly and fabulous Miss Ingham as part of our team. If you would like some further information on PAT dogs, please access <https://petsastherapy.org/>

Y3 KEYBOARD

Since Year Three's keyboard concert in December, the children have been working extremely hard to learn and master a range of new skills. In this week's lesson, Year Three have been learning to play a four part canon, which is a very tricky skill to master. Miss Brinksman and Miss Ingham are very impressed with how hard the children

are working. Keep up the good work Year Three!

Beth: We have been learning about how to move our fingers to play different keys. It can be tricky but I really enjoy it.

Will: We have been practicing chord exercises, they are really fun.

Y5 GUITARS

Y5 are really enjoying guitar lessons. Some children even asked Father Christmas for a new guitar as a result of their lessons in school.

This week, the children completed their learning of 'Happy Birthday.'

PERIPATETIC MUSIC LESSONS

Beth: I learn a lot in my music lessons and I am starting to read music.

Phoebe: I like all the different songs. My favourite one is Bolero.

Thomas: I really like it because you can learn different tunes that you could play if you wanted to be in a band.

Alex: I have been learning to play the music without playing the vowels.

MAKING MUSIC VISUAL PROJECT

Yesterday, Year Five worked with Nina Jolly (a professor of the Arts from Liverpool Hope) and Tom Elliot (a member of the Northern Chamber Orchestra) to begin their 'Making Music Visual' project. As a school, we are very lucky to have been one of the three primary schools across Warrington and Halton to be selected for this project.

The project involves the children using an art package on the iPads to respond to Appalachian Spring by Copland in the style of Wassily Kandinsky.

In collaboration with Culcheth High School, two other primary schools and the Northern Chamber Orchestra, the children's work will be part of a performance at the Parr Hall in July. Their creations will be projected large scale onto dancers and the stage during the playing of music. What a great opportunity for our children!

Mrs Wilkinson-Gamble: We had the pleasure of welcoming Nina and Tom from 'Art Through Music' to Y5 on Thursday morning. The children wowed us all with their artistic abilities and produced some spectacular pieces of music inspired artwork. Well done Y5!

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Please contact school**

Nathan: It was fun, we got to create music inspired art.

Oliver: Nina and Tom were really inspirational. I found it really relaxing.

SAFEGUARDING

Earlier this half term, the Local Authority Educational Safeguarding Team conducted a safeguarding audit of the school. Stephen Gillham, a member of the safeguarding team, was very impressed with the strength of the safeguarding team at Newchurch, the procedures in place at the school, its response to our families' needs and how the children's voice is captured.

"The Safeguarding Governor takes an active role in school and regularly meets with the DSL. She challenges policy and procedure and participates in pupil conferencing around safeguarding themes." (Safeguarding Audit, Jan 2019)

READING LADDER w/e 8th February 2019

	Y5 92%	=
	Y1 91%	+
	Y4 91%	-
	REC 87%	+
	Y6 81%	-
	Y2 79%	-
	Y3 75%	+



20th MARCH

JOIN THE ANNUAL 'COLOURS FOR PEACE' DAY OF ACTION BY DONATING JUST £1 AND DRESSING IN THE FOUNDATION'S COLOURS

wearing **green, white or blue**

The Tin Parry, Johnathan Ball Peace Foundation invites you to come together and show your commitment to peace.

Raise money for this incredibly important cause, which builds peace in schools and communities and supports victims of terror.

Every penny raised enables the foundation to continue its vital work.

supporting victims of terrorism and young people and communities living in conflict.

Spread the word and share your support for Colours for Peace and encourage others to get involved!

Register your support for 'Colours for Peace' and find out how you can get involved today.

please call 01925 581231, or email fundraising@peace-foundation.org.uk



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SCHOOL DIARY DATES

11.2.19	Young Voices
4.3.19	Book Week
7.3.19	Dress up Day
11.3.19	PAN performance
12.3.19	Class photographs plus Y6 individual photos.
20.3.19	Non uniform – Colours for Peace – DONATION VIA PARENT PAY
28.3.19	PTA meeting 7pm school
29.3.19	Thankyou service
5.4.19	Dress down day for Easter eggs
8.4.19	Easter Bingo
13.5.- 16.5.19	KS2 SATS WEEK
23.5.19	Summer Disco
28.6.19	PTA BBQ
4.7.19	Y6 Play CHS
12.7.19	Y6 Prom (arranged by parents)

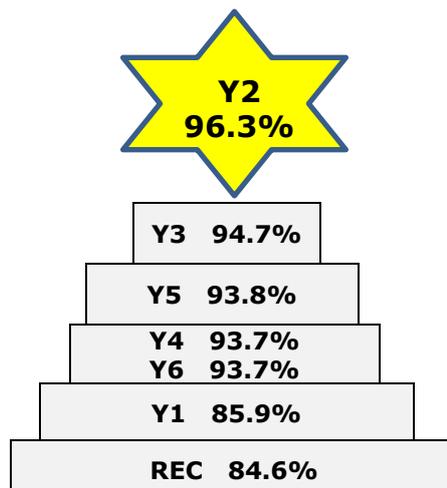
To help with family financial planning, please be aware, pupils in Year 5 will be going to Kingswood in October and Y4 will be going to Beeston in July.

On Tuesday 12th February 2019, Friends of Culcheth Library are organizing an after school LEGO CLUB. Primary School children with their parents/carers and younger brothers and sisters are warmly invited.

Tuesday 12th February, Culcheth Library 3.30 to 4.30pm.

We also have a large collection of "Create the World" Lego cards, "lovingly" sorted into numerical order to help children complete their books.

Attendance w/e 1st February 2019
Our whole target is 97.5%



Please remember to telephone school if your child is unwell so that such absences can be recorded as unauthorised. If permission is not given for a holiday or we are not informed of the reason for an absence, it will have to be recorded as unauthorised. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend.
Mrs Lawrenson