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Dear Parents/Carers

This year has flown by, and what another fantastic year! On behalf of everyone at Newton Tony Primary School, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support. Together, we experienced an amazing OFSTED inspection, and we are so proud of our two outstanding judgements. This week, our Year R children have completed their first year of school and today we have said goodbye and good luck to our Year 6 Leavers. We have welcomed many new children this year, who have settled in so quickly, and we are delighted to have them join our school family. We also have staff and children who will be re-locating and we wish them well in their new adventures.

Schools Awards

This term we were awarded 'The Healthy Schools Award' and our Gold School Games Mark. These awards acknowledge that we make a positive and meaningful difference to the lives of children through promoting emotional well-being, health and physical activity. We will continue to participate in sporting events and competitions next year, and celebrate our sporting values alongside our wins!

<https://www.wiltshirehealthyschools.org/> <https://www.yourschoolgames.com/about/school-games-mark/>



Fundraising

Together we have made a real difference to children and families this year. We continue to raise money for our supported charities and have taken food donations to the Salisbury Foodbank. Thank you for all your contributions on our JustGiving pages.

Parent Questionnaire

In September, we will be emailing you a questionnaire FORMS link, this is an opportunity for us to work in partnership to make changes/celebrate success.

Golden Leaves and Wow Moments

We continue to celebrate talent in all areas of children's lives. Please remember that if your child achieves something outside of school we would love to share this at Well Done Worship on Friday mornings. Children are welcome to bring in eg. awards, certificates. You can also nominate your child for a Golden Leaf, acknowledging acts of Courage/ Love/Hope or Forgiveness. Every class will also be displaying a 'wow' moments board in the classroom, more information will follow in September.

Positive Social Media Use

In September, all children in Squirrels and Badgers classes will bring home information about positive social media use. We ask that you encourage your children to 'Speak Out' if they experience/hear about something

online that they know is inappropriate. Please remind your children about the age recommendations for different apps and games. There are posters on our website in the letter section.

Enrichment opportunities

Across the year all of our children have experienced amazing enrichment opportunities. I wanted to say a huge thank you to your children because wherever they go, members of the public praise their outstanding behaviour.



Well done to the Badgers class who won the whole school best attendance cup this term.

Our whole school attendance is 97% and we thank you for ensuring your children attend school regularly.

FONTS PTA

Thank you to Laura Gowen (Chair) and our FONTS PTA team Mrs Jack, Mrs Cameron, Mrs Kelway-Cocks, Mrs Warren and Mrs Wilkinson who continue to fundraise so that our children can experience enrichment opportunities.

Without such a dedicated team our children would not have these funded opportunities. Look out for the PTA newsletter which has been emailed to all parents/carers today.



Governors

Every school needs a governing body to support decision making at a strategic level. Thank you to Mr Brinkworth (Chair of Governors), Rev Ostli-East, Mr Cameron and Mr Warburton, who are part of our governing body. If you are interested in becoming a governor and would like more information please contact Miss Priestley head@newtontony.wilts.sch.uk. We currently have governor vacancies.

Food Safety

Please ensure that if you send grapes and cherry tomatoes to school in lunch boxes or for parties that they are cut up correctly to avoid choking. See the NHS advice and guidance.

[https://www.nhs.uk/start-for-life/baby/weaning/safe-weaning/preparing-food-safely/#:~:text=Cut%20small%20round%20fruits%20like,quarters%20\(4%20small%20pieces\).](https://www.nhs.uk/start-for-life/baby/weaning/safe-weaning/preparing-food-safely/#:~:text=Cut%20small%20round%20fruits%20like,quarters%20(4%20small%20pieces).)

Water Safety

Please be aware of safety around water safety code if you visit lakes, rivers and seas.

<https://www.rlss.org.uk/listing/category/the-water-safety-code>

First week back in September 2025

Only our staff return to school on Monday 1st September for our annual Wiltshire LA Safeguarding training. Y1-Y6 children return to school on Tuesday 2nd September. Reception Year join us on Wednesday 3rd September at 9.00am (for the first week only then they join us at 8.30am). We are delighted to have fourteen new children joining us in Hedgehog class and know you will make our new families feel welcome. Our Breakfast Club and After School Clubs will continue to be available, using online booking system. Please make sure your child is in school for 8.25am, our drop off is available from 8.15am.

Class curriculum meetings

Please attend the class curriculum meetings to gain a deeper understanding of your child's expectations for behaviour and learning:

- **Foxes meeting is on Thursday 11th September at 15:30 hrs**
- **Squirrels meeting is on Monday 8th September at 15:00 hrs**
- **Badgers meeting is on Tuesday 9th September at 15:30 hrs**

I hope you have a wonderful Summer holidays, spending time with your children, and not having to manage the school run! I appreciate childcare over the holidays can be expensive so if you look on the school website in the 'letters' section there are lots of ideas for entertaining children over the Summer. We look forward to seeing you all again in September and we will continue to do all we can to ensure your children are provided with the best nurture and learning experiences.

Kind regards

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Miss Priestley

Head Teacher

Love One Another As I Have Loved You' John 15:12

