



Newton Farm Primary School

September 2026 Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

This month has been a time for celebrating the success of several members of our staff. Mrs Cowie has been successful in securing a secondment to work in the Inclusion department of Education Resources. She will be in her new post until June, working with schools across SLC. In her absence, Miss Macfarlane will be Acting ASN DHT and we wish them both well in their new roles. We also have two members of staff who have been successful in securing acting Principal Teacher posts. Miss McIver will be Acting PT here in Newton Farm and Mrs Campbell will be going to another school to be Acting PT until December. We hope they both enjoy their new posts and the new opportunities they will bring. While Mrs Campbell is away, Miss Dick will be returning to us as one of our teachers; you may have met her when she worked with us last year. We also have another new member of staff joining our team, Miss Harris will be working with pupils across the school so pupils may mention her to you. It is lovely to see the talents of our staff being recognised. As you will see from the rest of this month's news it has been a busy time in the school and we look forward to seeing many of you today for Parents' Night. I hope you enjoy this latest update.

Kind regards *Mrs C Meechan*



School Updates



Homework

Homework will be up and running over the next week or so. Primary 1 and Primary 2 pupils will use Parents' Portal for homework updates. Pupils from Primary 3 to Primary 7 can access their homework via Google Classroom, which is available through your child's Glow account at <https://glow.rmunify.com/>. You can also download the Google Classroom app on mobile devices.

We are unable to send passwords home, due to GDPR guidelines, however all pupils have been practising accessing their Glow accounts at school. If your child is having issues accessing at home, then please make sure they are not signed into a personal Google account by mistake. Do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions or need assistance.

JRSO

We are delighted to announce that Ruaridh and Caelan in P6 are our new Junior Road Safety Officers.

As newly appointed JRSOs they recently attended an event at Chatelheraut Country Park. There were lots of activities for them to explore, including speaking to a police officer and fire and rescue officer about road safety. They were also given activity ideas to help raise awareness of road safety in school. Both boys are looking forward to working alongside our P7 JRSOs Ava and Olivia, to help improve the streets around our school.

Well done to all 4 JRSOs for working hard during our first 6 weeks at school...it's been a busy time!

House Captains

Earlier this month our voting for our new House Captains and Vice Captains took place. We can reveal the results below:

AIR	EARTH	FIRE	WATER
Captains: Sophie Harley Vice Captains: Zara Poppy	Captains: TJ Harley Vice Captains: David Hannah	Captains: Emily Lewis Vice Captains: Maxie Lia	Vice Captains: Ava Jaxson Vice Captains: Brodie Cara

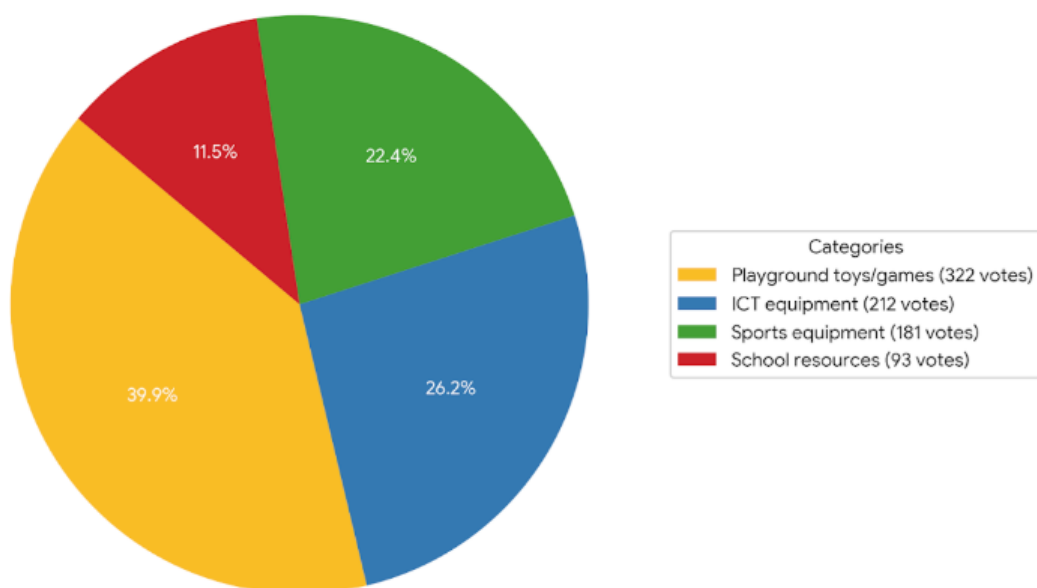
We wish all our captains and vice-captains and very successful year!

Participatory Budget Survey Results

As part of the Pupil Equity Fund (PEF), 10% of the budget is spent to support the wellbeing of all pupils at our school. Over the last few weeks, we invited pupils, staff, parents and carers to take part in a survey to help decide what we should spend it on.

Below you will find out our overall result:

Overall PB Results



Parent Council Halloween Disco

Tickets will soon be available to buy online at <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/newtonfarm>. The cost is **£4 per child**.

The discos will take place on:

- **Monday 26th October** for P1 (6pm-7pm) and P4/5 (7.15pm-8.15pm)
- **Tuesday 27th October** for P2/3 (6pm-7pm) and P6/7 (7.15pm-8.15pm)



Lost Property

We encourage all parents and carers to check our lost property at their earliest convenience. The items are located at the front of the school and currently include jackets, jumpers, water bottles, packed lunch boxes, and bags.



Bikes and Scooters on School Grounds

We kindly ask that all children dismount from their bikes and scooters as soon as they enter the school grounds. This helps to keep everyone safe and prevents any accidental bumps or injuries.



As the message recently sent to all parents explained, no e-scooters or electric bikes are permitted in school grounds or in any SLC property. The local community police have been patrolling the area and will remove any electric scooters or bike left by young people. For the safety of drivers, pedestrians, Nursery pupils and parents and especially the children themselves, please ensure you child does not bring any of these devices to the school campus.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe environment for all.

Community Police input

We have invited one of our community police officers in to speak to our senior pupils on Wednesday 7th October. He will speak to pupils about staying safe while out in the community, including road safety and personal safety. He will also talk to them about how they can be a good citizen and avoid being involved in any anti-social behaviour in the area.



Well done



One of our P7 pupils, Rory, has been fundraising by completing a bike ride across Scotland. He had a brilliant cycle on Saturday and cycled 57.75km from Bowling on the Clyde to the Kelpies in the east. It took him 3 hours and 50 minutes. He's managed to raise a whopping £934.70 for the Rainforest Trust. Rory is particularly keen to save rainforest for the Orangutans. Well done Rory for all your efforts.

Diary – October/November/December	
Thursday 1 st October	Parents' Evening
Wednesday 7 th October	Parent Council Meeting
Friday 10 th October	School closes for October Holiday @ 3pm
Monday 19 th October	School reopens
Friday 30 th October	School Halloween parties / dress down day
Wednesday 4 th November	Parent Council Meeting
Monday 9 th November	Inservice day – school closed to pupils
Thursday 12 th November	Rooms 20, 21, 23, 24 Learning Showcase 1.40pm – 2.40pm
Thursday 19 th November	Rooms 18,19 26 Learning Showcase 1.40pm – 2.40pm
Wednesday 2 nd December	Parent Council Meeting
Wednesday 2 nd – Friday 4 th December	P7 Residential
Thursday 3 rd & Friday 4 th December	P1 Nativity
Wednesday 9 th December	Christmas Concerts (Rooms 5-11, 25 & 10)
Thursday 10 th December	Christmas Concerts (Rms 12 – 17, 26 & 27)
Friday 11 th December	Christmas Concerts (Rms 18-24)
Tuesday 15 th December	Christmas Parties (Rms 18-24)
Wednesday 16 th December	Christmas Parties Nursery
Thursday 17 th December	Christmas Parties Rms 13 – 17, 26 & 27
Friday 18 th December	Christmas Parties (Rms 5 – 11 & 12)
Tuesday 22 nd December	School Closes @2.30pm

All other dates for the year can be found on our school blog in the Parent Year planner ☺

Communication – Parents and carers can contact us at any time, we are always pleased to hear your views. Contact us on **0141 642 0333** or email gw17newtonfarmoffice@glow.sch.uk and your query will be dealt with by the relevant member of staff.