



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted, as I am sure you are, that we are able to welcome everyone back to school on Monday 8th March. The system for staggered starts and finishes will apply as in Term 1. We ask that you still continue to wear a face covering for drop off/pick up and that you adhere to social distancing rules. Class emails will still remain in place for communication with class teachers. Please see the table below for a reminder of times/gates:

Class	Start time	Finish time	Drop off and collection gate
Nursery	9:15	12:15 or 3:15 (30 hours)	East Street
Reception	8:45	3:00	East Street
Year 1 A and Year 1 B	9:00	3:15	East Street
Year 2	8:45	3:00	Fourth Avenue
Year 3 and Year 4	9:00	3:20	Fourth Avenue
Year 5 and Year 6	9:10	3:30	Fourth Avenue

We are pleased to welcome back Miss Harvatt this week. Miss Harvatt will be working alongside Mrs Neal and Miss Fletcher in EYFS this half term.

Next week, on Thursday 4th March it is World Book Day. We will be celebrating WBD in school and there are lots of ways in which you could celebrate this event at home. Whilst it is incredibly important to read throughout the year World Book Day gives us the opportunity to find out about a whole variety of different books we may not have experienced before. Here are some links to different activities you could do at home:

You could listen to audiobooks that have been read by different actors and authors.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/world-of-stories/>

In this link, a range of authors have shared some great ideas and activities to try at home.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/online-masterclasses/>

Keep working hard at home everyone, just one more week of Zooming and remote learning!

Kind regards,

Mrs Wheatley

Congratulations to Stars of the Week (SOTW)

Nursery – Scarlett
 Reception A – Moses
 Reception B – Zak
 Year 1A – Asia-Mai
 Year 1B – Sarah
 Year 2 – Amela
 Year 3 – Adam
 Year 4 – Logan
 Year 5 – Olaf
 Year 6 – Asem

Headteacher's Award

Emily, Willow (Y1)
 Aoife (Y2)
 Layla (Y3)
 Grayson (Y4)



Our 5 Golden Rules

At Newton Hill Community School, everyone follows our 5 Golden Rules.

We want everyone to be the best they can be and to 'Reach for the Stars'.

- ❖ We will always keep everyone included.
- ❖ We will always keep everyone safe.
- ❖ We will always keep everyone learning.
- ❖ We will always try our best.
- ❖ We are always honest.

Bubble Closures & NHCS Remote Learning Plan

If a class bubble needs to close due to positive COVID test result, we will contact you via Parent Hub in order for you to collect your child/children or advise you to keep your child at home if we are notified during the evening. If a bubble closed, children would need to remain at home for 10 days. We understand that this will be a difficult time for everyone.

During the closure we will continue to provide remote learning. On the day of closure children can start to use the resource pack which has been sent home, further activities may be posted on Parent Hub. From day 3 of the closure, further remote learning activities will be set. These will be sent out via Parent Hub/email and also be linked to our school website under the 'Pupil Zone' tab. The website pages will be made available once it has been confirmed that a bubble will need to close. Work will be set daily and it will be an expectation that you return work to school so that it can be marked by class teachers – this can be done via the class email system. Teachers will provide clear explanations for the learning to be completed at home and links to a variety of resources. There will be links to pre-recorded videos however there will not be any scheduled live learning sessions. We will keep you updated through parent hub and may also contact you by telephone as required.

Covid-19: Actions you can take to help

Please do not send your child to school if they are showing symptoms OR someone in their household is showing symptoms. Please let school know if your child is not attending. The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal
- Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

[Arrange a test](#) if you or your child develops symptoms. Inform school of the results. If the test is positive, follow [guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#), and engage with the NHS Test and Trace process. If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), get a test as soon as possible. Stay at home until you get the result. Please contact school if you need any help.

Keeping Everyone Safe

If you have any safeguarding concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school - our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are: Mrs Wheatley, Mr Duce, Mrs Luck, Mr Paine, Mrs Dundas, Mrs Myton and Miss Land.

School Attendance Matters

We are very keen to ensure that all children attend school regularly, as this is important for your child's academic progress. We need your help to improve our attendance figure. You can help by making sure your child is at school on time every day.

Unplanned School Closures

In the unlikely event of a school closure, for reasons out of our control, we will contact you via parent hub. We will also display messages and updates on our school website

www.newtonhill.wakefield.sch.uk

We will always do our best to stay open, but if for any reason we have to close **during the day** we will contact you by text, parent hub and information will be displayed on our website. A member of the Senior Leadership Team/Senior Teacher will always stay on site until all children have been collected.

Adverse Weather – Newts Information/Update

During adverse weather conditions, various considerations need to be assessed to see if school can open safely – for example the number of staff members who can get to work safely, site safety and access. If there are any occasions of adverse weather (snow) conditions in the future, Newts provision will not be open for breakfast club. This is to allow sufficient time for school to assess if school can open safely and if there are enough members of staff able to travel to school safely. Messages will be sent to all parents as reminders should this be the case and we will always give advance notice if weather warnings are issued. We will always try to stay open during adverse weather conditions and school may offer a later opening time rather than a full closure depending on the circumstances.



Dates for your diary:

The full school calendar for 2020/2021 is included at the end of the newsletter for your information.

Dates

INSET DAYS

Monday 7th September

Monday 4th January

Thursday 6th May

Monday 7th June

Monday 26th July

Contact Details

Please ensure we have your up to date contact details (emergency contact details/updates of addresses).

We require at least 2 emergency contacts for your child/children in school.

Please contact school either on 01924 303680 or at admin@newton-hill.org.uk if you need to update your details.

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	= Bank Holidays
	= School Holidays

Number of pupil days:	195
Less INSET days to be fixed:	5
Total number of pupil days:	190

Class Emails	Class Teacher
nursery@newton-hill.org.uk	Mrs Luck and Mrs Greaux
receptiona@newton-hill.org.uk	Mrs Neal
receptionb@newton-hill.org.uk	Miss Fletcher
year1a@newton-hill.org.uk	Miss Cannon
year1b@newton-hill.org.uk	Miss Spence
year2@newton-hill.org.uk	Miss Brook
year3@newton-hill.org.uk	Mr Paine
year4@newton-hill.org.uk	Mrs Wrench
year5@newton-hill.org.uk	Mr Duce
year6@newton-hill.org.uk	Mr Sharp