



News Letter



Dates for Your

DIARY

April

- 17th– Start of Summer 1 term
- 20th– Bikeability Year 4

May

- 1st– Bank holiday
- 4th– Polling day– school remains open for all children.
- 5th– Whole school picnic (King Charles Coronation)
- 8th—Bank holiday
- 9th-12th -Year 6 SATs
- 19th—Parent workshops-more details to follow.
- 26th Break up for half term

June

- 5th– Start of Summer 2
- 12th & 13th –Year 6 kayaking
- 14th & 15th—Year 6 Bikeability

A Message from the principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a fantastic Spring term with lots of exciting developments here at NWPA. Many of you will have seen on Dojo the facelift that our Foyer has experienced thanks to the creative genius that is Miss Williams. This is now part of an ongoing project where we will be celebrating the excellent work that our children produce as part of their home learning projects. I welcome any parent and carer who would like to come and view this.

I hope that you have enjoyed seeing the trips that our NWPA Fairy has gone on this term. The Fairy is our weekly celebration of a particular member of staff who has done something above and beyond their usual call of duty and is deserving of recognition. We will be continuing to share this through Dojo moving into the Summer term as I want to share these moments of success with our wider community.

We have no staff leaving or joining us at the end of this term, however, we have had several new children join us throughout the Spring term and I would like to take this opportunity to formally welcome them to our NWPA community.

We have had another round of highly successful trips and experiences for all children this term at NWPA. From Year 3 having their resident artist visit to take part in a street art workshop, through to Year 2s trip to Warwick castle.

Looking ahead to the summer term we have even more trips and experiences coming up. In addition to the usual termly class trips, we have Year 6 attending their residential trip to Whitemoor Lakes, and the whole-school Seaside trip. We appreciate that contributions for these can be challenging for parents and carers to manage, so Mrs Smith will be working hard to ensure that as much notice as possible is given for these trips and payments can be made on time.

We also have a very busy term coming up in terms of SATs for our Year 2 and Year 6 classes. Staff will be liaising directly with parents and carers in those two-year groups, but should you have any queries, I encourage you to contact us directly.

Over the Easter break, I am sure that you and your families will make the most of the shared time together. We look forward to welcoming children back into school on 17th April. I encourage all staff at NWPA to also take a well-deserved break with their families. In the meantime, should you require any urgent support over the break, please ensure that you message me directly on Dojo. I will ensure that I get back to you in a reasonable time frame.

Enjoy the Easter break with your families!

Kind regards,
Mr Bradnick-Thompson



Class Celebrations

Nursery

We had a great day out at Statfold Gauge Railway. We made a basket for our teddies, met Toby the huge dog and went for a ride on the train.



Reception

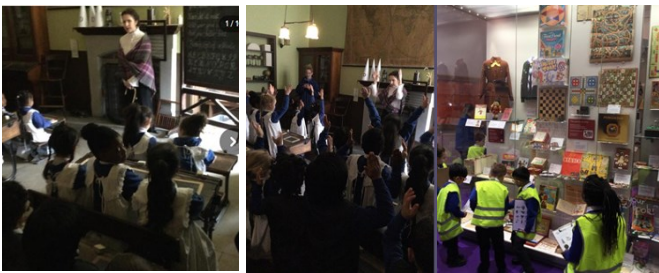
At the beginning of half term we went to visit Enginuity in Ironbridge and had a fantastic day with a very strong focus on machines and STEM learning.

Reception had a very successful first Waterstones and Walsall Library trip for World Book Day and had a great day full of book activities.



Year 1

Year 1 had a great time on their trip to Sudbury hall .



Year 2

Year 2 enjoyed a fantastic day at Warwick Castle where we got lost in a maze, went into a spooky dungeon and even saw Henry VIII! We had lots of fun learning about castles and monarchs as part of our topic.



Year 3

We had a fantastic visit from a professional graffiti artist and the children created some exceptional art work. For comic relief we raised £368.76, so a huge thanks to everyone for their support, here are some photos



Year 4

Year 4 have had a busy term looking at the Anglo Saxons and Vikings in Topic sessions. During our Science sessions we have looked at States of Matter and enjoyed a superb trip to the Think Tank in Birmingham. We had great fun exploring some of the exhibits and loved being able to make slime in the laboratory. Our favourite part of the day was watching 'Matt the Scientist' blow stuff up in a special show just for us.



Year 5

We have had a very busy term this half term. We have travelled to Liverpool to learn about a very famous painting, linking this learning to our Ancient Greek topic. The children have also collaborated with Year Two for British Science Week. In Art, we have used clay to create our own Greek Vases that tell different Myths and Legends!



Year 6P

The children completed some Maths games in the morning to celebrate World Maths Day. We then read and learnt about Pythagoras and this theorem. We even decorated the windows









Year 6 D

6D has worked extremely hard this half term and have achieved fantastic results-We are all so proud of you! Our focus this half term for writing is a character description and Maths has been area and perimeter. In Science we have carried out an investigation into the digestive system, and completed our CREST award for the half term...Who can build the strongest bridge?



Club Timetable for Summer 2

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<p><u>Flute</u> <u>Miss Sims & Forest Arts</u></p> 	<p><u>KS2- Choir</u> <u>Miss Sims</u></p> 	<p><u>Rec, Yr 1 & 2- Mini Music</u> <u>Miss Sims & Miss Smith</u></p> 
<p><u>Football Club</u> <u>Football Coaches</u></p> 	<p><u>Year 3 & 4- Badminton</u> <u>Mr Lissemore & Miss Smith</u></p> 	<p><u>Lego therapy</u> <u>Mrs Winwood</u></p> 

Mobile phones

Reminder to all parents that **mobile phones** are not to be used once you are on school site.

This is to safeguard all our children, parents and staff.



After school clubs

After school clubs run from 3:15– 4:15pm

Please continue to collect your child from the office.

There are still spaces in some of our After School Clubs.

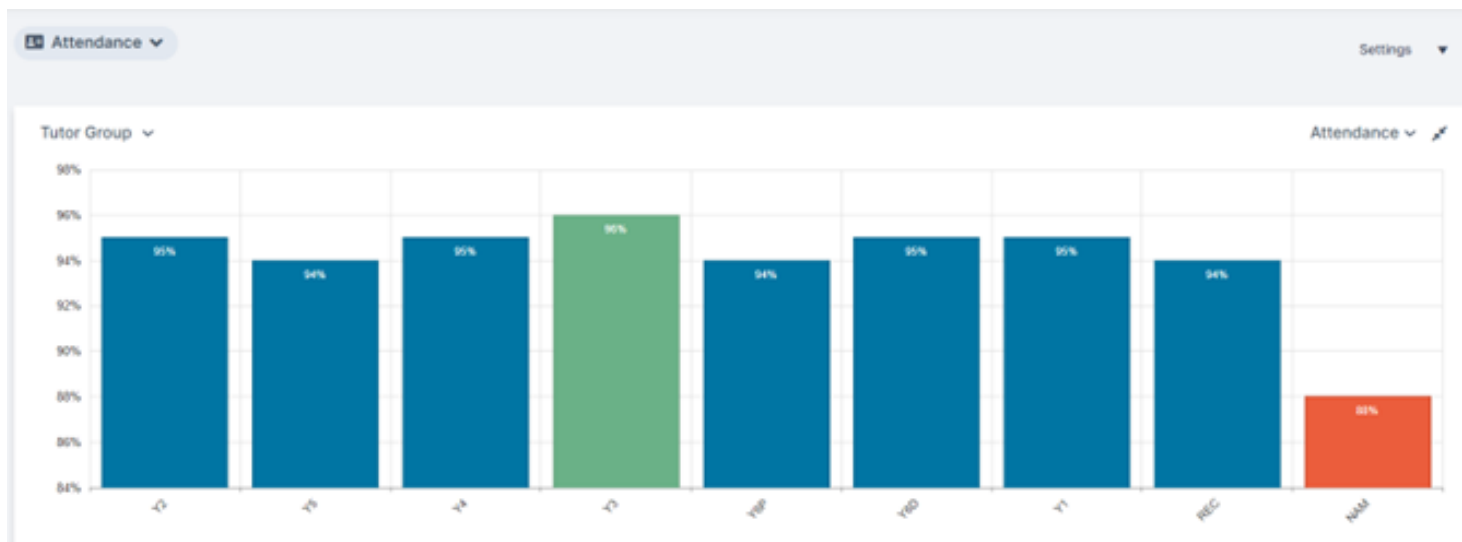
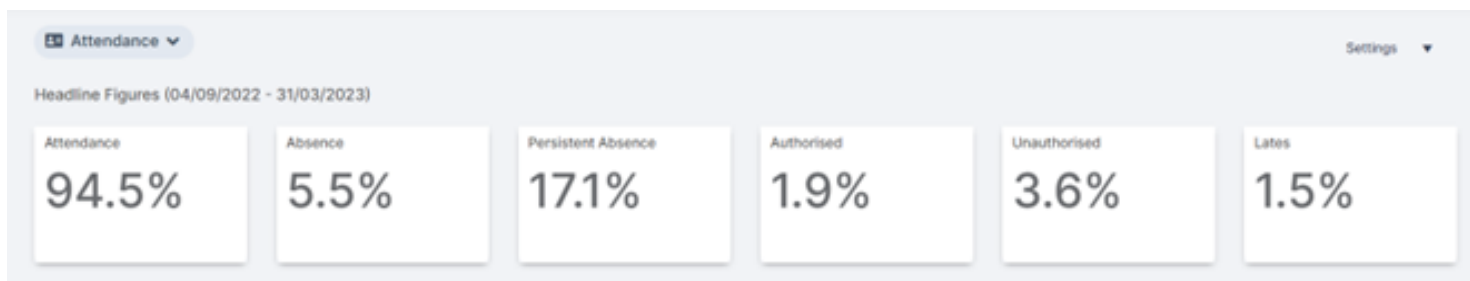
Please ask for a
consent form from the School Office.

OUTSTANDING MONEY

There is still a considerable amount of dinner money outstanding..

Can all accounts be settled up to date by the start of the Summer term 17/04/2023.

If you are experiencing any problems please speak to the school office.



CHILDREN ARRIVING LATE FOR SCHOOL:

There seems to be a lot of children arriving late for school every day. May we remind you that the gates close at 8.45am, all children should arrive by this time. Being late for school every day not only means your child is missing out on valuable learning time, but it disrupts the other children who have arrived in time for School. Being late also means your child misses out on 100% attendance rewards and class attendance.

OVERALL ATTENDANCE:

A massive well done to Year 3 for still having the highest attendance! This is fantastic. Our target for attendance is 96% and above as you can see, we are well below this which is very disappointing I hope next term we can continue to work together and achieve 96% by the end of the term.

PERSISTENT ABSENTEES:

Pupils with attendance of 90% and below are called Persistent Absentees and are subject to rigorous monitoring. We will not routinely authorise absence for these pupils. If their attendance does not improve by working with school, they will be referred to the Education Welfare Services and legal action will be taken.

Please take a look at our website on attendance just to remind yourselves of what is authorised and unauthorised as you can see, we have a lot unauthorised absence this is not good and needs to improve.