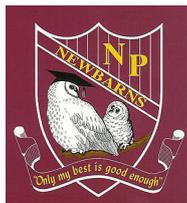


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Value of the month —

SEPTEMBER—RESPECT

OCTOBER—HONESTY



AUTUMN (1) 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

WELCOME!

We hope you all enjoyed a lovely summer holiday. It was great to see everyone in our first assembly of the year.

We would like to give a warm welcome to our new starters in Nursery and Reception and the other families who have joined us as well. As always, please do not hesitate to let us know of any concerns you may have, suggestions for improvements and anything you think we are doing well!

Staff are available to talk about any comments/concerns you may have, especially at the end of the school day, and either Ms Wilson or I are present in the playgrounds every morning. School also sends messages via this half-termly newsletter, text messages, the school website and on Twitter. Follow @newbarns1 for the most up-to-date news and celebrations of children's achievements.

Mr Birkett

DATES

Mon/Tue 16th & 17th October—Parents' Consultations

Fri 20th October—non-uniform day in aid of Breast Cancer Now

School closes on **Friday 20th October** for half-term and re-opens on **Monday 30th October**

Tuesday 31st October—photographer in school for children's individual and family group photos.

All holiday dates are available at -
www.newbarns.cumbria.sch.uk

VACANCY

There is a Midday Supervisor's job opportunity available—contact the school office for more details or see our website. If you or anyone you know would like to be considered for relief work—please pass contact details to the office.

UNIFORM/WATER BOTTLES

Thank you for sending your children to school looking so smart. Can we ask that all clothing is labelled and only dark coloured shoes are worn (not brightly coloured trainers.) School ties are available to purchase for £2 from the school office but these are entirely optional.

The school water bottles are the preferred one for your child to have as they can use these to refill at our filtered, cold water fountains in school. These are £2 from the office—just send the money into school in an envelope and they will be named and given to your child.

PARKING

Thanks to everyone who already takes the safety of our children seriously, but I need to ask again—please park responsibly around school—especially for special events. I have made several visits and phone calls to personally apologise for parents who have parked blocking driveways or the delivery access for Harrel Lane Co-op.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please find attached the vast array of after school clubs we have on offer this term. (also published on our website.) If there is nothing available for your child this term, look out for changes next term. We will also publicise other out-of-school activities as well. Your children will be informed about each relevant club and we will give them a letter if they express an interest. Some clubs will start after half term, but details will all be included in separate letters given to all children who express an interest.

ATTENDANCE/PUNCTUALITY

It is important that your child is in class for the start of every lesson. If your child is 5 minutes late every day, they will miss three days of learning each year!

Make every minute count!

Remember - The world is run by those who turn up!

LUNCHES, MONEY ETC.

Infant children continue to be entitled to free school meals and the cost for junior children remains at £11 per week which is very good value considering the meals are all cooked on-site and include the choice of a hot option, jacket potato or baguette—with fruit, bread, yoghurt, water etc, also freely available. It is preferable for meals to be ordered and paid for via ParentPay and children must stay for school meals or have a packed lunch for the full week. (This is to ensure the kitchen orders the correct amount of stock.) Any money sent into school should be in a clearly labelled envelope. Please help us by paying promptly for school lunches (on Monday each week.) We realise anyone can forget to pay occasionally but many admin hours are spent contacting parents for arrears that mount up.