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Dear Parents/ Carers

It has been another lovely week and we were all very excited to be greeted by some snow this week! The children came to school with a wonderful attitude and had lots of fun at playtimes and lunchtimes playing in the snow. Please do remember if we need to close school due to weather, we will advise you as soon as we are able. A reminder that you can also click on <http://essential.southglos.gov.uk/schoolstatus/> which shows school closures. We have to check our staffing levels and the safety at the building/surrounding area in order to make a decision.

The next NEU Strike Day is scheduled for the 15th and 16th March. As you know, teachers do not need to advise us in advance of whether or not they are striking. When we are in a position to share any information, we will of course do so as we have done to date.

Learning meetings will be going live from 6pm today so please do book a meeting in with your child's class teacher. These will take place on the 29th and 30th March and Newton LB will take place on the 28th March. This is a great opportunity to come into school and share all of the wonderful things your child has been doing in their learning. If you would rather have a meeting on teams, please book in and let the class teacher know and they'll send a link to you. Just a reminder that if you do have any concerns or worries, please don't wait for learning meetings but speak to us prior to this or arrange a meeting with your child's class teacher. Mrs Jones, in her role as SENCO, will attend as many of the SEN meetings as she is able to but is also running the EYFS meetings so time is more challenging for her than we would like. We can always arrange for them to be at a separate time if need be though. We really look forward to meeting with you.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Capel

Class Attendance

Seacole CD – 95.2%
Armstrong SD –95.3 %
Armstrong MN –93.4%
Newton RF – 93.7%
Newton JB – 94.1%
Newton LB –94%
King IJ – 94.5%
King AB – 96.5%

Attendance



Dates for the Diary

Term 4 Dates

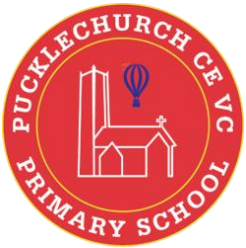
14th March – World Math's day
17th March – Red nose day
21st March – Newton Performance to parents 13.30
22nd March – Newton Performance to parents 9.15
22nd/23rd/24th Book Fair
27th March – Learning meeting week
31st March – Easter service at the church
31st March – End of term

26th May 2023
21st July 2023



Book Fair

Our book fair will be open afterschool on Wednesday 22nd, Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th March. Children are invited to come and chose a book and use their £1 World Book Day token towards the price. We are very excited for the arrival of the books and being able to share this with you.



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Seacole CD –60 %
Armstrong SD - 61%
Armstrong MN –71%
Newton RF –65%
Newton JB – 52%
Newton LB – 68%
King IJ – 80%
King AB – 90%

Well done to King AB with a score of 90%. Can any other year groups meet our target of 90% next week? Do not forget that reading regularly is part of our homework expectations.

Numbots



KS1 have been working hard at

improving their maths skills using Numbots.

Most practice this week:

1. Isaac – Armstrong SD
2. Noah M – Armstrong SD
3. Oliver – Armstrong SD



Times Tables Rockstars!

Well done to our Pucklechurch Top Rockers this week!

These 3 students have accessed TT Rockstars the most out of everyone in the whole school this week

1. Archie – King IJ
2. Ava-Skye – King IJ
3. William – King IJ



Red Nose Day

On Friday the 17th of March, Red Nose Day returns to Pucklechurch. On the day children will be encouraged to wear something red (non-uniform) or a colour they find more comfortable. This can be as small as a pair of socks. During the day the children will take part in a whole school dance-a-thon to mirror Gethin Jones' efforts, in his 24hr fundraising effort. The afternoon will consist of some Red Nose Day themed activities in outdoor learning.

We are asking for £1 donations towards fundraising for Red Nose Day.



PTA

The PTA are looking for someone to take over as Chair.

The role of chair will include being a trustee of the Charity and responsible for the bank account jointly with the treasurer. Currently the role includes organising meetings, planning events, running the website, social media posts, delegating tasks to others.

Please do think about stepping forward so that the PTA can continue with their important work.



Gardening Club

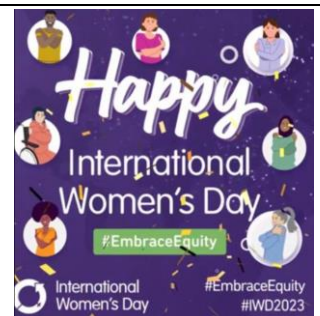
We are looking for volunteers to help us do some gardening around the school grounds on Saturday Mornings around 8am twice a month, with our caretaker Phil.

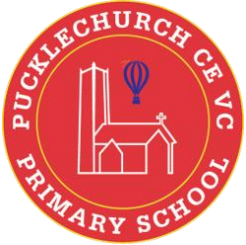
Unfortunatly, Phil had to do it by last weekend and could really do with some volunteers.

Please let the office know if you are interested.

International Women's Day

It was international women's day this week and in collective worship we talked about the women who have inspired us and achieved extraordinary things from Emmeline Pankhurst to Greta Thunberg and Sarah Al-Amira! It was wonderful seeing all of the children's wonderful thoughts in our discussion.





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Relationships, Health and Sex Education (PSHE)

On 15th May 2023 at 5.15pm we will be holding an RSHE information session for those of you who are new to the school or if you were not able to attend the previous sessions and would like to hear more about the Jigsaw programme and our approach to Relationship, Sex and Health education. This will take place in school at 5.15-5.45. If you would like to attend this session please book in at the office.

From September 2020, Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) became statutory in all Primary Schools.

As many of you are aware, we use the programme 'Jigsaw' across our school to deliver the statutory requirements of the PSHE curriculum. The lessons continue to build on the children's emotional literacy, self-esteem and knowledge of who they are and how they relate to each other and the world in a positive and healthy way.

Jigsaw is a whole school approach, with every child exploring the same theme each term in an age appropriate way. The themes are as follows:

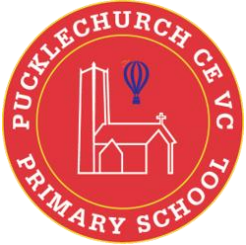
- Being Me in My World – Term 1
- Celebrating Difference – Term 2
- Dreams and Goals – Term 3
- Healthy Me – Term 4
- Relationships – Term 5
- Changing Me – Term 6

The Changing Me Puzzle includes, in every year group, two or three lessons to help children understand the changes puberty brings and how human reproduction happens. There is a very serious safeguarding aspect to this work; obviously, the younger year groups are not looking at these issues directly and explicitly, but rather learning correct terminology for body parts and doing the foundation work for learning that will follow in later year groups. The Years 5 and 6 lessons look more fully at puberty and reproduction.

In 2019, we held an open consultation where parents were given a transparent and comprehensive picture of what we teach in each year group and to view the Jigsaw and RSHE materials. For more information and feedback from this process please see the PSHE page on our school website. We have continued to deliver information sessions each year to ensure that parents have the opportunity to ask questions and view the materials from Jigsaw.

We hope you, like us, will see the materials in Jigsaw as educationally sound and beneficial to the children, and will look forward to sharing them with you and answering any questions you may have.

We hope you will agree with us that this work is vitally important for children, that it needs to be done age-appropriately and that the Jigsaw Programme gives us a secure framework in which to do this.



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Autism Acceptance Week

Equities Crew would like to tell everyone about 'Autism Acceptance Week' which is from 27th March -31st March. We would like to invite everyone to wear their most colourful outfit (or whatever you feel the most comfortable in) on Friday 31st March.

We also have a competition! Our competition is to create the most colourful piece of art (painting/drawing/collage/photography) and hand it in to your class teacher by Tuesday 28th March. Winners for each Key Stage will be announced on Friday 31st March.

We can't wait to see everyone's colourful art and outfits!

Thank you.

From Equities Crew

Pucklechurch PTA
Presents
SCHOOL DISCO
WITH
DJ
Bridgie's
Entertainments
DISCO - BOUNCY CASTLES - GARDEN GAMES - LED LIGHTS

£4 Per child
Includes drink, snack & Sweet bag

On Thursday 23rd March
Reception & KS1 315-415
KS2-430-530
Tickets on sale now

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Tickets are now on sale for the PTA disco. Please click on the following link.

www.pta-events.com/pucklechurch