



Newlaithes Newsletter



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Parents Evening

We had a fantastic turnout to Parents Evening once again. It is a shame if you were not able to attend, however our teachers will do their best to contact you. Of course this is never as good as a face to face meeting but we feel it is of real importance to you and your child. If you haven't had a meeting or call please get in touch with the school office who will pass this on to the class teacher.

Year 3 Easter Performance



This term, our talented Year 3 pupils took to the stage to perform *The Three Trees*, a touching Easter story about hope, faith, and purpose. Through wonderful acting, expressive storytelling, and beautiful singing, the children shared the journey of three trees, each with their own dreams, and how they became part of the Easter story in ways they never imagined.

The performance was a fantastic showcase of the children's hard work, confidence, and teamwork. From learning lines to perfecting their songs, they showed great dedication, and their enthusiasm shone through on the day. A huge well done to all our Year 3 performers, and a big thank you to the staff and families who supported them. It was a truly special way to reflect on the meaning of Easter, and we are so proud of everyone involved!

Dear Parents,

As we reach the end of the Spring term there is no slowing down here at Newlaithes! Plays, trips, swimming, parent's evenings and competitions have all played a big part this term, oh and a fair amount of learning.

The new shelter has been a great addition to our school yard. For years the midday supervisors and children have been asking for some kind of shelter from the sun and the rain. Well we have finally got something which I hope you all agree looks brilliant. I hope you all have a fantastic Easter, remember it is **1:20pm finish** here at Newlaithes.



Wraparound Care

Wraparound Care is causing some issues with our school budget. The mornings are going really well and are well subscribed. The evenings not so well with only one or two children attending most nights. This unfortunately will not be sustainable long term. We will continue to provide the provision for the Summer Term with a view of re-evaluating at the end of the school year. Perhaps just the mornings is what is needed at Newlaithes.

Waterstones visit



I thoroughly enjoyed getting out of school to visit Waterstones with the bookmark winners.. I think the children did too! Another great PTFA idea. A regular visit I think from now on.

Year 5's Exciting Trip to Glasgow Science Centre!

This week, our Year 5 pupils had an unforgettable day at Glasgow Science Centre, where curiosity and learning came to life! The children experienced a planetarium show that brought the wonders of space right before their eyes.

The Glasgow IMAX The New Frontier was an exciting opportunity to explore space and learn about the future of space exploration. This visit helped us see how amazing space is and inspired us to think about what the future might hold for space exploration!

This fantastic trip was a brilliant opportunity for our young scientists to see classroom learning in action and inspire their enthusiasm for science, technology, and discovery. A huge thank you to our staff for making it such a successful day!





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A Sweet Success

We had a fantastic evening at our Chocolate Bingo fundraiser, and we're thrilled to share that it was a huge success! Families, friends, and staff came together for a night of fun, laughter, and of course—lots of chocolate! The excitement in the room was contagious as lucky winners took home delicious prizes, all while helping to raise valuable funds for our school.

A huge thank you to our PTFA, everyone who attended, donated prizes, and supported the event. Your generosity and enthusiasm help make a real difference for our school community. We can't wait for the next one!



Swimming



Congratulations to our wonderful children who were selected to represent the school at the swimming gala this week! They faced strong competition from experienced swimmers, and we are incredibly proud of their efforts in both individual races and relays. A special shout-out to Ollie for winning a bronze medal in the 50m freestyle! Swimming is a great sport so why not get involved with one of the local clubs, I'm sure you could get more information at the Sands Centre.

New Shelter



The new shelter is getting well used already and it is great to see the new addition on the yard. Not everyone wants to run around and having an area to go and talk etc. is a real bonus. Part of the funding came from our PTFA and we are really lucky to have been able to tap into their funds. We need to keep the PTFA going and members do fluctuate so if you can give something back by joining and supporting. It would really help.

Best dressed

School uniform is an important part of being a member of the Newlaithes Junior community. Just as we wear uniform for jobs, the forces or sports teams it brings us together and binds us as a team. Today some of our most consistently well dressed children received a small treat to say well done. Remember we wear grey **not black** trousers, shorts and skirts, tights not leggings, black shoes, collared shirts and ties during the winter months. After Easter we move to polo shirts and summer dresses for those who want to.

Netball

A massive well done to our year 5/6 netballers that attended the tournament last week. They all played exceptionally well and displayed fantastic teamwork and sportsmanship. A huge shout out to Nellie for scoring a hat trick!

