

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to share the latest happenings at Newall Green Primary School. Each day brings new opportunities for growth and discovery, and it's a joy to see our children embracing these experiences with such enthusiasm. We're incredibly proud of their achievements and the positive energy they bring to our school. Thank you for your continued support in making Newall Green Primary a wonderful place for learning and development.

The Hive

Last week, the children in the Hive celebrated Chinese New Year by making their own Dragon heads. We had lots of fun painting boxes and pretending to be dragons. We also looked at the different animals in the Chinese calendar. This year is the year of the Snake!!



Manchester united tournament:



A group of enthusiastic Year 5 and 6 girls recently competed in an exciting football tournament at Manchester United's training ground. Despite their best efforts, they finished 4th in the table, just missing out on the top spots. However, their teamwork, determination, and sportsmanship were evident throughout the event. Well done girls!

Basketball Excel competition:

The Year 5 and 6 basketball team has shown incredible determination and skill, making their way to the city-wide finals. They are more determined than ever to bring their best game and represent their school with pride



Year 2 Trip to Aerozone

Our Year 2 classes had a fantastic time visiting AeroZone at Manchester Airport. AeroZone is an interactive learning space to inspire the next generation. From firefighters to shopkeepers, security officers to engineers and everything in between. By exploring the world beyond the classroom and immersing themselves into hands-on, realistic work zones, our Year 2 classes had the opportunity to explore a variety of careers on offer, which are designed to get pupils thinking about their aspirations for the future and empower them to plan their route.





Children's Mental Health Week



We are proud to be taking part in Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week again in 2025

This year, Place2Be have teamed up with the characters from Inside Out 2 to explore the importance of expressing our emotions.

Together, we will discover how getting to know who we are and what makes us tick can help us build resilience, grow and develop.

The theme this year is 'Know yourself, grow yourself' and the school council have voted to have a 'Pens down' day on **Thursday 6th February**. Each class will vote on the activities that they would like to do with their class linked to improving our mental health and around this year's theme. Some of the activities may be practical, so we are asking children to come to school in their PE kits on this day and wear suitable footwear.

NSPCC World Number Day

To celebrate the NSPCC World Number Day on **Friday 7th February** we will be having a 'MATHS ROCKS' day in school. On this day, children and staff can dress up as Rockstars (linked to the Times Tables Rockstars app which we use to practise times tables), or as something number related. This could be something simple like pinning a number to their top, having Monopoly money stuck to their clothes, or coming as their favourite shape. Dress up is optional. The day will run as a normal school day but with an extra focus on maths activities. Year 2-6 will be having times tables competitions this half term and the finals will be held on this day too which proved to be very exciting and engaging for our children last year. I hope you can support us and help make this a memorable day for the children to show that Maths Rocks!!



Year 6 Residential

By now, you would have received a slip advising of the amount left to pay for your child's residential. Please note, all payments must be made in full by **28th February**, at the latest. If you haven't already completed the medical consent form on School Spider, please do so as soon as possible.

Attendance

Our whole school attendance this week is 91.1% which is some way off our whole school target of 96%. Please try to ensure your child is in school as much as possible to give them the best chance at an excellent education. To assist parents / carers in getting children back to school and who have been struggling trying to get a GP appointment for minor illness check out the **Think Pharmacy First** information **nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst**. Detailed information about this this service has been emailed out to parents / carers or is available in the News section of our website.

Well done to our weekly class winners:

1RB – 94.4%

4DC – 96.5%

5MP - 96.2%

House Points

Congratulations to **House Frank** who won this week's House Points with a staggering 2,155. The overall House Points are still very close for this half term!

February Holiday Club

		If your child is OVER 5 , please scan the QR Code and book through MCR Active.
ICT All weather sports Indoor Sports Crafts Outdoor learning activities Snacks & Lunch will be provided for your child. You will need to provide a water bottle and appropriate weather dependent clothing each day. There are 2 options available to book, both of which are for the same holiday club run by members of staff from school. Please see the below:		DATE PRICE
 HAE holiday club for children aged 5 and above <u>DNLY</u> Free to attend 9.00am–2.00pm Head to the MCR Active website to register your child and to book spaces. Find your activity and provider Search for Newall Green Primary School View your result and select your preferred days 	Holiday club for children under 5 • £20.00 per day • 9.00am-2.00pm each day • Booked on School Spider (Instructions overleaf)	If you click on the above, you can select your required days and proceed to checkout. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Siobhan in the School office.

And finally, can we once again kindly remind you that if you have any concerns or need to discuss your child's progress, please contact the school office to schedule a meeting. This will help ensure that our staff members can provide you with their full attention and support, without interrupting their start time or their important duties during the school day.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Rudd Executive Headteacher



Date	Event		
January			
W/C 3 rd February 2025	Children's Mental Health Week		
4 th February 2025	Year 1 to Weaver Hall		
6 th February 2025	Pen's Down Day – Come to School in PE Kit (As per the uniform		
	policy)		
6 th February 2025	2RB Class Assembly		
7 th February 2025	World Number Day – All Children (and staff) are invited to dress up		
	as Rockstars or as something number related		
7 th February 2025	2AC Class Assembly		
13th February 2025	3KH Class Assembly		
13 th February 2025	Years 3 & 4 Valentines Disco 3.30pm		
14 th February 2025	3KS Class Assembly		
14 th February 2025	SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM		
24 th February 2025	SCHOOL RE-OPENS		