



Newquay Primary Academy

NEWS BULLETIN

HIGHLIGHTS



A Fantastic Start to Our Festive Season

What an amazing first week of December we've had at Newquay Primary Academy! We began the week by welcoming our beautiful Christmas tree at Monday's *Welcome the Christmas Tree* event, where it looked truly wonderful adorned with decorations handmade by our learners. It was lovely to see so many families join us for this special moment.

The festive fun continued with our Santa Dash—a joyful fun run that all the children took part in with great enthusiasm, even when the hail decided to join in!

Later in the week, our school choir shone at St Michael's Church, performing alongside other Newquay schools in a fantastic community carol concert. We are incredibly proud of them.

To top it all off, two of our lucky classes enjoyed a magical trip to meet Father Christmas on a steam train—an unforgettable experience for everyone involved.

It's certainly been a festive week to remember, and we're excited for all the special events still to come!



A message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the final stretch of the autumn term, this is a lovely moment to pause and begin reflecting on everything the children have achieved over the past few months. Their enthusiasm for learning, the friendships they have built, and the confidence they continue to show have made this a truly rewarding term so far.

There have been many highlights, both big and small, that remind us what a vibrant and caring school community we have.



I would also like to take this opportunity to express my thanks for your continued support. Our staff and pupils benefit enormously from the partnership we share with our families, whether that's through attending events, supporting learning at home or simply encouraging your children to bring their best selves to school each day. Your involvement helps shape the warm and positive atmosphere we are so proud of.

We are very much looking forward to the final two weeks of term, filled with nativities, marble treats and our Christmas Fair.

Warm regards,
Miss Hildyard

A Warm Welcome to Mrs Oatley



Following on from the letter we sent out yesterday, we're delighted to confirm that Mrs Oatley will be joining our team as an HLTA.

Mrs Oatley is already familiar to many of you, having worked at the academy previously on supply. We're thrilled to welcome her back and look forward to her officially starting with us on Monday.

Please join us in giving her a warm welcome!

Foodbank Donations



Help Us Support Newquay Foodbank. 1 in 8 will use Newquay Foodbank this Christmas therefore we're collecting non-perishable food items to help local families in need this festive season. Every donation makes a big difference!

 Please bring your donations to the school office or drop at the classroom.

 **14** Deadline: Monday 15th December

Thank you for your kindness and generosity – together we can make Christmas brighter for everyone!

Reminders for Next Week



Another busy week for the academy coming up next week! Here's the highlights of things to remember:

Monday: Non uniform day in exchange for a bottle for the Christmas Tombola

Tuesday: Tamar & Severn's Nativity at The Wave Church – 1.30pm

Joshua Nativity at NPA – 5.15pm (children to be dropped at 5pm)

Wednesday: Christmas Dinner Day (please speak to the office if you need to book a dinner)

Tamar & Severn Nativity at The Wave Church – 5.15pm

Thursday: Christmas Jumper Day (see below for more information)

Trent & Shannon Christmas Concert at NPA – 2.15pm

Friday: Christmas Fair – 3.15pm

Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday 11th December



We will be taking part in Save the Children's annual Christmas jumper day on Thursday 11th December.

We would love everyone to come to the academy in their favourite Christmas jumper on this day. If you'd like to make a small donation towards the charity, please visit the link below.

[Click here to donate to Save the Children](#)

New NPA Website



We are excited to share that our brand-new Newquay Primary Academy website is now live! The updated site has been designed to be more user-friendly, easier to navigate, and packed with helpful information for our families.

We hope you find it a useful place to keep up to date with news, events, and everything happening across the academy. Please do take a moment to have a look—we'd love to hear what you think!

[Newquay Primary Academy - Home](#)

Santa Dash – Thank you!



What an amazing time we had at our Santa Dash on Tuesday! The children had so much fun taking part and spreading festive cheer all around the academy.

We're thrilled to share that together we raised over £160 — thank you so much to everyone who donated and supported us!

occasion. Thank you for your support, and we can't wait for a fantastic festive fundraiser!

Christmas Performances



YOU ARE INVITED TO

TAMAR & SEVERN'S Christmas Nativity

Tuesday 9th December at 1.30pm
At The Wave House, Seymore Avenue TR7 1BL

Wednesday 10th December at 5.15pm
At The Wave House, Seymore Avenue TR7 1BL

Children to be dropped off at 5pm in costume for the Wednesday performance.

4 x adult guests per pupil, per performance
(siblings welcome too)



JOSHUA'S CLASS NATIVITY

Tuesday 9th December
At Newquay Primary Academy

Children to be dropped off at 5pm in costume
Show start time: 5.15pm
2 x adult guests per pupil (siblings welcome too)





Important dates to remember

Date	Event	Class
Mon 8 th December	PTA Non-Uniform Day – Bottle donation	All classes
Tue 9 th December	Joshua Nativity – Hayes Hall 5.15pm	Joshua Class
Tue 9 th December	Tamar & Severn Class – The Wave Project 1.30pm	Tamar & Severn
Wed 10 th December	Tamar & Severn Class – The Wave Project 5.15pm	Tamar & Severn
Thu 11 th December	Trent & Shannon Carol Concert – Hayes Hall 2.15pm	Trent & Shannon
Thu 11 th December	Christmas Jumper Day	All classes
Fri 12 th December	Christmas Fair 3.15pm	All classes
Wed 17 th December	Rocksteady Christmas Concert	Rocksteady club
Friday 19th December: Last day of term		
Monday 5th January: Start of Spring Term		

Coming up over the next few weeks...

**JOSHUA
CLASS**

Joshua Class will be learning about 'Why we give gifts at Christmas'. They will be turning Joshua Class into Santa's Workshop, making surprises for all our families!

**TAMAR
CLASS**

Tamar Class will be continuing their English text 'The Polar Express' and writing about their real-life Steam Train experience. They will be practicing and performing their KS1 nativity, "A Miracle in town".
Enjoying lots of Christmas themed activities and fun in their final week as we count down to Christmas.

**SEVERN
CLASS**

Next week Severn class are looking forward to sharing their Nativity with their NPA friends and family and decorate their salt dough decorations ready for our Christmas fayre. The children are going to use their drawing skills in art to create Cornish landscape artwork using John Dyers artwork as inspiration.

**TRENT
CLASS**

Trent Class are looking forward to getting into the festive spirit as they continue rehearsing their Christmas songs for this year's concert, alongside Shannon Class. They're also excited to dive into all the Christmas activities we have coming up over the next few weeks.
In class, the children will be finishing their learning on mountains and the Cradles of Civilisation, rounding off a fantastic term of discovery.

**SHANNON
CLASS**

Shannon's classroom is going to be wonderfully festive and full of fun and learning! In reading, they'll be diving into fascinating texts about the Iron Age Celts and Egyptian Pharaohs, in Spanish the children will be practising their numbers while enjoying some Christmas themed vocabulary. Our English lessons will take them on a magical trip into *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, and to help bring Narnia to life, we'd love any spare fluffy coats you can send in by Monday to create our very own wardrobe adventure. We'll also be baking delicious Christmas cookies, filling the room with festive smells and smiles. In Music, we'll continue exploring Roman musical motifs while also practising for our Christmas concert lots of singing, sparkle, and excitement!

Attendance

Attendance for Newquay Primary Academy

	Joshua Class: 98.3% Tamar Class: 98.3% Severn Class: 97.9% Trent: 97.5%		Shannon Class: 98.7% Tamar Class: 97.6% Severn Class: 97.2%
	Shannon: 95.7%		Trent Class: 95% Joshua Class: 95.7%
			

Week of 24th November

Week of 1st December

The academy works closely with the Education Welfare Officer to support families who have low attendance figures. When a child's attendance drops below 90% it is identified as 'persistence absence' and the EWO will contact the family to offer support. Please ensure that your child is in school on time. Arrivals after 8.50am are marked as late in the register. Please contact the academy office if any support is required – we are here to help.

If your child is absent from school without authorisation, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may submit a request to Cornwall Council for a Penalty Notice to be issued, in accordance with Sections 444A and 444B of the said Act. Penalty Notices are issued per liable parent, per child and each carry a fine of £80 if paid within 21 days or £160 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice may result in legal action. Absence not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates' Court under Section 444(1) or Section 444(1A) of the Education Act 1996, leading to a fine of up to £2,500 and/or a custodial sentence. Cornwall Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to Court. Please see our website for more information on our attendance policy:

[Newquay Primary Academy - Attendance](#)

Office Opening Hours

The academy office opening hours are 8.00am until 3.30pm Monday to Friday. If you need to speak to Mrs Payne or Mrs Townley in the office, please contact between these hours.

Our teachers are available at the start and end of the academy day at your child's classroom door, please do not hesitate to talk to them if you have a query.

ACADEMY LUNCH BOOKINGS



This is a gentle reminder that lunches need to be booked on ParentPay by Sunday for the following week.

We must submit the numbers to Caterlink on Monday, so timely bookings are essential. Thank you for your cooperation.






Community News

The IMAGINE OUTDOORS HoHoHoHolibob clubs

23rd December 29th December 2nd January
09:30-15:30

Dear Parents ,
Your 5-11 year olds are cordially invited
to some outdoor christmas fun

Cost £35

Bookings Available via : www.imagineoutdoors.co.uk

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MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST

Please join us for our 5 week online **Parenting Intervention**

- * Each session will take place online, weekly, beginning **Monday 5 January 2026** (10am or 6pm) with MHST practitioners.
- * The sessions are designed to give parents and carers a greater insight into their child's needs and how they can support them
- * Please sign up via the online form here: <https://forms.office.com/e/nHpNgkGbhH> or scan the QR code

Sign up closes 29/12/2025 at 5pm

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MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM - MHST

Please join us for our 5 week online **Parent Led CBT Intervention**

- * Each session will take place online, weekly, beginning **Monday 5 January 2026** (10am or 6pm) with MHST practitioners.
- * Parent-led cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT) is a brief psychological intervention in which parents and carers are supported in applying CBT principles in their child's day-to-day life.
- * Please sign up via the online form here: <https://forms.office.com/e/qWsPTfwXC3> or scan the QR code

Sign up closes 29/12/2025 at 5pm