

Newton Bluecoat CE News 16

‘Shine from the inside out’ Matthew 5:16

Wednesday 24th June 2026

Attendance

W/B 15/06/26 This school year

Rec — **93.3%** **95.6%**

Year 1 — **96.6%** **97.2%**

Year 2 — **93.6%** **96.4%**

Year 3 — **99.3%** **96.3%**

Year 4 — **98.1%** **97.0%**

Year 5 — **99.2%** **96.6%**

Year 6 — **90.4%** **96.1%**

Well done to Year 3 and 5 in particular!

Spellathon

Thank you to everyone for taking part in our school ‘Spellathon’. We were delighted with the effort children had made to learn their spellings. Sponsor money is still being collected. Once again, thank you for your support.

Sports Day

Our Sports Day was a fantastic success, with the sun shining down on us throughout the event! Children showed incredible enthusiasm, determination and sportsmanship as they took part in a range of races and field events. Every team performed brilliantly, giving their all and cheering each other on from the sidelines. It was wonderful to see so many children demonstrating resilience, teamwork and a positive attitude, whether they were competing on the track or supporting their friends. A huge well done to everyone!



Worship Focus:

Living out God’s Big Story

DfE ‘Beat the heat’ advice for schools

As temperatures remain high this week, we’re taking sensible steps so children stay safe and learning. Please send your child with a named water bottle, sun hat and light, breathable clothing (school PE kit/ sundress). PE and energetic play will be moved to cooler parts of the day; staff will monitor children for any signs of heat stress and act promptly if needed. The school day has been adapted in order for children to remain cooler.

A reminder on attendance: school remains open (unless directed by the local authority or DfE) and children should attend unless they are unwell. If your child is absent, please ring the office as usual on the first day. If you have particular concerns about your child’s health in the heat, contact us so we can put extra support in place.

Goodbye to Mrs King

On Friday 10th July, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs King, our temporary Nursery teacher. We want to thank her for her dedication to our Nursery children and families and we wish her all the very best for the future.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 9th July—Year 6 Play 5pm

Monday 13th July—Miss Turner returns to school as Nursery Teacher

Tuesday 14th July—Class 'moving up' morning

Tuesday 14th July—Year 6 Leavers Service in Church 6pm

Wednesday 15th July—Talent Show!

Friday 17th July—Inclusivity Day (Shine!)

Friday 17th July—School closes at 1:30pm (Please join us to cheer our Year 6 Leaver's as they walk down the path)

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Wednesday 2nd September—School re-opens at 8:45am

Smartphone Free Childhood

Building a Smartphone-Free Childhood Together

There continues to be growing momentum locally and nationally around supporting children to enjoy a healthier, more balanced childhood away from the pressures of smartphones and social media.

New Department for Education guidance

Last week, the Department for Education made its smartphone guidance for schools statutory. This means schools are now legally required to have regard to guidance which strongly supports schools being smartphone-free during the school day. This is an important step forward. It gives schools and families stronger backing to create calmer, safer and more focused learning environments for children.

Why this matters

Schools across the country are seeing the positive impact of reducing smartphone use during the school day, including improvements in:

Behaviour and concentration

Wellbeing and mental health

Friendships and social interaction

Safeguarding and online safety

How parents can help

One of the simplest and most powerful ways to support this movement is by signing the Smartphone Free Childhood Parent Pact. Smartphone Free Childhood highlights the importance of the 25% tipping point: research shows that when around a quarter of a community adopts a behaviour, it can trigger a wider cultural shift, with the majority beginning to follow.

The pact is a voluntary agreement between parents to delay giving children smartphones until at least the end of Year 9, helping families feel supported rather than isolated in making this decision.

Sign the Parent Pact We would encourage all families to consider signing the Parent Pact and helping us continue this positive momentum, using the link: [Parent Pact link](#) and [SFC related resources](#). Together, we can create a healthier, happier and more connected childhood for our children.

Signposts



A vibrant signpost for a Summer Holiday Camp. The top features a yellow banner with 'FUN • PLAY • LEARN • GROW' and a large, colorful 'SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMP' title. Below the title is a red banner with 'ACTIVE DAYS. HAPPY KIDS. LASTING MEMORIES!'. The center displays five icons representing activities: Golf, Dodgeball, Fun Games, New Friends, and Build Confidence. To the right, a white box lists four weeks of dates. At the bottom, a yellow box contains booking information, including a QR code and a website link. The background shows children playing on a grassy field.

FUN • PLAY • LEARN • GROW

SUMMER HOLIDAY CAMP

ACTIVE DAYS. HAPPY KIDS. LASTING MEMORIES!

GOLF DODGEBALL & MORE!

BOOK NOW! LIMITED PLACES!

DATES (CHOOSE ANY WEEK!)

- WEEK 1: 27th Jul – 31st Jul
- WEEK 2: 3rd Aug – 7th Aug
- WEEK 3: 10th Aug – 14th Aug
- WEEK 4: 17th Aug – 21st Aug

MULTIPLE DATES THROUGHOUT SUMMER!

SAFE ★ FRIENDLY ★ ACTIVE ★ UNFORGETTABLE

Level 2 coach DBS, 1st Aid packed lunch required

10am-3pm
early drop off
9am for £5
extra per day

Book before July 10th
£15 PER DAY
USE CODE **EBDAY**
£65 FOR 5 DAY WEEK
USE CODE **EBFULLWEEK**

Book after July 10th
£20 PER DAY
£85 FOR 5 DAY WEEK
early drop off £5 extra per day

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