



Newland St John's

CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

Living Together, Learning Together and Shining Together in the Love of God.

'...Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.' **Matthew 5:16**

Newsletter - July 2025

A message from Mrs Brett

As the school closes for summer, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude on behalf of myself and the rest of the staff for all your support over the last academic year. It has been a joy to see how the children in every year group have grown and matured since September. A special mention, however, needs to go to our children in Year 6. Although we will miss them, we are extremely proud of all they have become and we know that they will continue to shine in the next stage of their journey- wherever their destination may be. For those families who are leaving us for the final time, we want to thank you in particular for the years that you have worked with us and want you to know that as you leave you do so with our prayers and best wishes.

July Highlights

Year 6 Production



It was fabulous to see our talented Year 6 children perform in the hair-raisingly hilarious, musical mystery adventure '**The Wong Way Round**' The children can sing, they can act and they can dance! We are incredibly proud of all of them and particularly of the way that they worked as a team to put on the show. We extend our thanks to Miss Rack for the huge amount of work that she put in to ensure that the show was a success and to Miss Jones who helped teach the singing and dancing.

NSJ Theatre Club: The Countdown

Our Year 5 theatre club performed their very own production at Hull Truck Theatre this month in front of a paying audience. The show entitled 'The Countdown' was written and produced by the children themselves and was a culmination of 10 weeks of hard work. It showcased what a highly creative group of children we have and it was wonderful to see the joy on the children's faces as they performed.



Spirituality Day

During transition week, we took the opportunity to pause and, during a time of change, reflect on ourselves, others, the world and beyond.

Summer Music Concert

It was an absolute joy to hear the children perform at the summer concert. Thank you so much for supporting your children and encouraging them to practice!

Free School Meals

The Department for Education has permanently extended free school meal eligibility to children in all households. This includes households with No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF)*, subject to maximum income thresholds. To do so register on the My School Portal and complete the online form. You can apply using the portal: [Free school meals | Hull](#)

If you are interested in applying or are just not sure about how the system works, please do not hesitate to call the school in confidence and speak to Wendy Palmer, who is based in the school office, and she will be able to support you through the application process.

Safeguarding



What to do if you have a concern about a child:

During School Hours:

- Contact the school and speak to either Mrs Brett or another member of the safeguarding team, via the main office on 01482 305740.
- Contact the Access and Assessment team for Hull on 01482 448879

Out of school hours and during school holidays:

If your concern is urgent and there is an immediate risk of harm, then contact the police via 999

If your concern is less urgent but you are worried about the welfare of the child then contact the Early Help and Safeguarding Hub on 01482 448879 or the Emergency Duty Team 01482 300304 (After 5pm and weekends)

For more information, click on the link: [Worried about a child | Hull](#) Please remember that if a child discloses anything that is worrying them, we may need to speak to parents and carers. This is part of our duty of care.

SENDCo Spotlight - Miss Jones

Provision Map - Updated Learning Plans

SEN Learning Plans – Parent Access to Provision Map

All children currently on our SEN register have had their learning plans reviewed, with new targets set ready for September. Parents should have received a printed copy containing a link to register for *Provision Map*, our secure online platform where you can view your child's support plan and targets.

If you haven't received this printout or are having difficulty registering, please contact the school office and we'll be happy to assist.

SEND Register Update

As part of our ongoing commitment to supporting all learners, the SEND register has recently been reviewed and updated. The SEND register is a fluid document, meaning pupils may be added or removed over time depending on their individual needs and progress. This ensures that support remains appropriate and responsive to each child's current situation.

Parents and carers will have received a letter outlining their child's current status on the SEND register. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please don't hesitate to contact Miss Jones.

We want to hear from you!

As we fast approach the end of another academic year, we would really appreciate parents' feedback on any SEN support your child has received this year.

Your feedback is vital in helping us provide the best support for your child.

Please take a few minutes to complete our online feedback form and share your thoughts on how we can enhance our SEND offer. [Parent/Carer SEND Voice](#).

Your opinions matter and your input will help shape a more inclusive and supportive environment for all our students.

Thank you for your time and support!

Where can I get SEND advice?

- **Hull Local Offer** [The Hull Local Offer website](#) is where parents, carers, children and young people up to 25 with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) can find information, advice and guidance about support, services and activities that are available to those living in Hull.
- **SENDIASS (Special Educational needs Independent Advice Service)**
Telephone: [01482 467 541](tel:01482467541) Email: hullsendiass@kids.org.uk



If you have any queries regarding this update, or would like to speak to the SENCo about anything to do with your child, please do not hesitate to email hello@nsj.hslt.academy for an appointment.

Help for Families

Help for Families - a reminder the cost of living crisis is having an impact on all families in our community. We would like to signpost some sources of support that may help.

Food Banks:

[Hull Foodbank](#)

[Hull Vineyard Church](#)



Attendance

We would like to thank you for all you do to ensure that your children have the very best attendance possible. We know it makes a huge difference to their education and every day that a child is not in school, we miss them.

Please find a link from our website to next year's term dates so that you can plan holidays and appointments around the dates:

<https://www.nsj.hlt.academy/academy-life/term-dates>

Key Dates - Autumn Term 2025

Date	Event
Monday 1st September	Training Day- school is not open to children.
Tuesday 2nd September	School opens to the children.
Friday 12th September	First full day for children in Dormice
Thursday 2nd October	Children's Photographs (individual/ siblings)
Friday 24th October	School closes for autumn half term

Meet the Governor

Bethan Jones



Hi everyone! My name is Bethan and I've been a governor at Newland St John's for about 7 years. I first encountered NSJ back in 2014 when I was looking for a primary school for my son. I was struck by the warm, welcoming atmosphere and knew immediately that this was the right place for him. I was invited to become a parent governor, then continued as a co-opted governor when my son moved on to St Mary's College.. I have always taken great pleasure in attending meetings, helping with decision-making and working with a fantastic staff team.

I am employed at Hull University as a Lecturer in English Literature. I have always loved reading and really enjoy lively discussions about novels, plays and poems with my students! In addition, I participate in research: this involves writing articles, chapters and books but also working with community groups. Recently, I was engaged in an exciting project with the local charity Sight Support, providing lots of activities for visually impaired children across our region. These activities included multisports, music, drama, art, nature rambles and many other excursions. This project was particularly appropriate as I am partially sighted myself.

I have always enjoyed a wide range of hobbies, mainly in the areas of music and sport. I have played clarinet in many orchestras and alto sax in jazz groups and bands. As a teenager I was obsessed with horse-riding, then learned karate while studying at university. In 2021 I was lucky enough to meet an amazing local athlete called Roy Turnham who plays blind football for England! Through him, I became involved in a number of visually impaired sports and fitness activities including sound

tennis, football and guided running. Last summer, I had the opportunity to play tennis on the indoor courts at Wimbledon, which was a fantastic experience.

I would really like to get to know more pupils and parents at the school so please come and say 'Hi' if you see me around. Meanwhile, I hope you all have a great summer!

Reflection

A blessing for all who work in our school, especially those who are leaving:

May the road rise to meet you

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face.

May the rain fall softly upon your fields.

Until we meet again.

May God hold you in the hollow of his hand.

Amen.