Newcomen Newsflash

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Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

What a lovely week we have had! Family Bingo on Wednesday was just brilliant… it was great fun and so lovely to see you all! Thank you to our wonderful staff for their time behind the scenes ensuring the smooth running of the event and to Mr Jones and Mr Pajak for being our brilliant bingo afficionados ☺

Our Year 1 children attended Preston Park this week to support their history topic and enhance their understanding of the past, looking at toys and shops.

Thank you to all the families who attended the Y4 Multiplication Check meeting this week and thank you to Mrs Asquith and Mrs Hague for their time at organising this. All Y4 parents/carers will receive a useful information leaflet via ParentMail today, which will give tips on how to support your child in the build up to the tables check in June 2027. For those who couldn't make it to the meeting, it will be held again in the Spring.

Reminders for next week:
Monday, 9th November: Year 5 Ancient Greece Durham University Outreach Workshop in school;
Tuesday, 10th November: Year 4 Mrs Asquith & Mrs King's class and Mrs Hague's class to visit Teesmouth Field Centre for their Rivers topic;
Tuesday, 10th November: Reception classes 1 & 2 and Morning Nursery, Early Years Annual Tea Dance, Main Hall 9:30 – 10:30am;
Tuesday, 10th November: Afternoon Nursery, Early Years Annual Tea Dance 2:00 – 3:00pm in Nursery;
Wednesday, 11th November: Armistice Day Whole School Assembly of Remembrance.
Friday, 13th November: Children in Need Non School Uniform Day. Please wear spots if you can. All donations gratefully accepted for Children in Need.

This week's Online Safety Focus**: 10 Top tips on Encouraging children to choose respect.**

To make our Christmas Fair a success, we are kindly asking for your amazing support! We should be extremely grateful if you could provide us with some items for the following stalls:
- **Raffle/Tombola**
- **Bottle Stall**

Thank you also for your books and toys (in good condition and with all pieces intact please.)
Many thanks: we couldn't do what we do without your continued kindness and generosity.

Our birthday children for this week are:
Leo Graham, Muhammad Bilal, Agnes Phoenix, Phoebe Watson, Reava Batty, Lily Kostarelou, Alfie Macdonald, Luna Parker, Denny Jefferson, Yaran Hassan and Evelyn Kelly.
A very happy birthday also to Mr Hatch – a very dear friend of Newcomen Primary School.

Our Head Teacher's Award for this week for being a: Vocabulary Champion
Scarlett-Anne Farmer, Isaac O'Brien, Davina Oladeinde, Miley Preston, Kit Rawlings, Rae Campbell-Jarvis, Libby Blenkin, Willow Guyer, Ruby Murrell, Preston Feetham, Agnes Phoenix, Alfie MacDonald, Mason Feetham and Max Gamble-Thomspon.

Key Stage 1: Congratulations to Mrs Cook's and Mr Beckett's classes for receiving a visit from Leonardo this week. 100% of the children scored 100% in their spelling test. Well done Classes 5 & 6!

Key Stage 2: Congratulations to Mrs Tickle's and Mrs Young's classes for receiving a visit from Leonardo this week. 95% of the children scored 100% in their spelling test. Well done classes 3 & 7!

Read, Enjoy and Discover Award (Reading for Pleasure):
Willow Guyer, Vinnie Lawton, Orla Fewster, Jasper Jones, Jessie Oxendale-Hunter, Isla Campbell, Akaran Vinothan, Harry Borrell, Lennon McFaull, Isla Jackson, Charlotte Hunter, Roxy-Rose Smee, Cohen Gray, Robyn Marshall, Piper McCormick and Leo Graham.

Out of School Achievements:
Jessica Lucas-Barker: Swim England Learn to Swim stage 8, Rainbow Distance 400 metres, Silver Challenge Award, also Cleveland Wheelers League 2000 Cycling Girl's under 10's winner and under 10's achievement award.
Dotty Magowan: Erin Cavanagh School of Dance1st place troupe 'Wonka' dance, 2nd place troupe 'Polar Express' dance, 2nd place song, 2nd place tap and 3rd place Acro;
Brodie Rudd: Judo well done trophy;
Adelyn Todd: British Ice-Skating Skate UK level 1 Discovering Phase;
Ruby Phoenix: Swim England Learn to Swim stage 2 and Duckling Award stages 3 & 4;
Olivia Hunter: Swim England Learn to Swim stage 4 and Rainbow Distance 20 metres;
Charlotte Hunter: Swim England Learn to Swim stage 4 and Rainbow Distance 20 metres;
Nancy Chisholm: Redcar Gymnastics Progression Award level 8;
Edie Daniell: Swim England Learn to Swim stage 4 and Rainbow Distance 20 metres;
Roxy Rose Smee: Swim England Learn to Swim stage 5 and Rainbow Distance 25 metres;
Penny Duke: Swim England Learn to Swim stage 3 and Rainbow Distance 10 metres;
Esther Emmett: Brownie Promise certificate from 8th Redcar Brownies.

A huge well done to Freddie French for climbing Mount Snowdon - the highest mountain in Wales standing at an elevation of 1,085 metres high. Completing this amazing achievement, Freddie raised over £700 for the Great North Air Ambulance. How fabulous!

Class attendance this week goes to Mrs Whitehead's class with 99.1%. Well done Class 2!
In 2nd place Mrs Young's class with 99.0% and in 3rd place Mrs Hague's class with 98.4%. Well done to you all!

This week 233 children from our school achieved 100% attendance. 👏 Fabulous!

Have a lovely weekend everyone and take care
Miss Pusztai, Staff and Governors of Newcomen Primary School 💜

There will be a Remembrance Day service at The Garden of Remembrance on Sunday, 8th November 2026. The parade will form up on Pierson Street (behind the Coatham Road Social Club) and march off at approximately 10:45am along Lobster Road turning onto Coatham Road for the service at the Cenotaph and wreath laying ceremony at 10:50am. If you would like to attend, everyone is most welcome and it would be lovely to see you there.

Armistice Day is also known as Veterans' Day; it is commemorated every year on the 11th day of the 11th month at 11am. Armistice Day marks the armistice (a peace treaty signed by two opposing sides) signed at 5:45am for the fighting to stop at 11am. We shall be showing our respect and hold our two minutes of silence in next Wednesday's assembly at school.

Thank you so very much for your generosity and supporting the Royal British Legion with your donations. We shall let you know next week the total amount raised. Thank you very much.

For the Fallen (fourth stanza)
They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.

Laurence Binyon 1914

Lest we forget

