



RAAC

When I spoke in last week's newsletter about challenges, frustrations, up and downs, I didn't think we would be tested before the school year even started.

You can see above an image of our school roof taken in the Summer term, which shows that it is not 'crumbling', and that the way the children and staff have returned this week shows no sign of education being 'damaged'. These were words used in the media last weekend, and I am sure they made any anxiety you may have had that little bit worse.

The proposal moving forward at the present time, is that a second ceiling or 'deck' will be constructed around the steel framework already in the hall, which would stop any RAAC panels falling into the space, as well as allowing free use of the hall again without props all over the floor.

I will keep you all updated, and I would hope that by the Christmas holidays we will be back using the hall again. Although, there are a few hurdles to get over first.

Thank you again for your support and cooperation over the past 7 days.



It has been wonderful to see the children return in such smart school uniform, and for so many of the children wearing our new P.E. kit uniform.

The children look smart and safe when doing P.E. and it is good

to know that the pressure has been taken off buying expensive and the 'right' clothing.

There are still a small number of children coming dressed for P.E. with items printed with logos, slogans and images, and I would ask that over the next week families remember that P.E. clothing must be plain. Please check our website for details.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

NEWS AND UPDATES

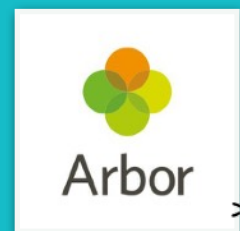


What is RAAC?

Newsround's guide to RAAC, and why some school buildings have been closed.

REMINDER !

Please remember to sign into the Arbor Parent Portal if you have not already done so. This is very important for keeping our records correct.



Parent Portal

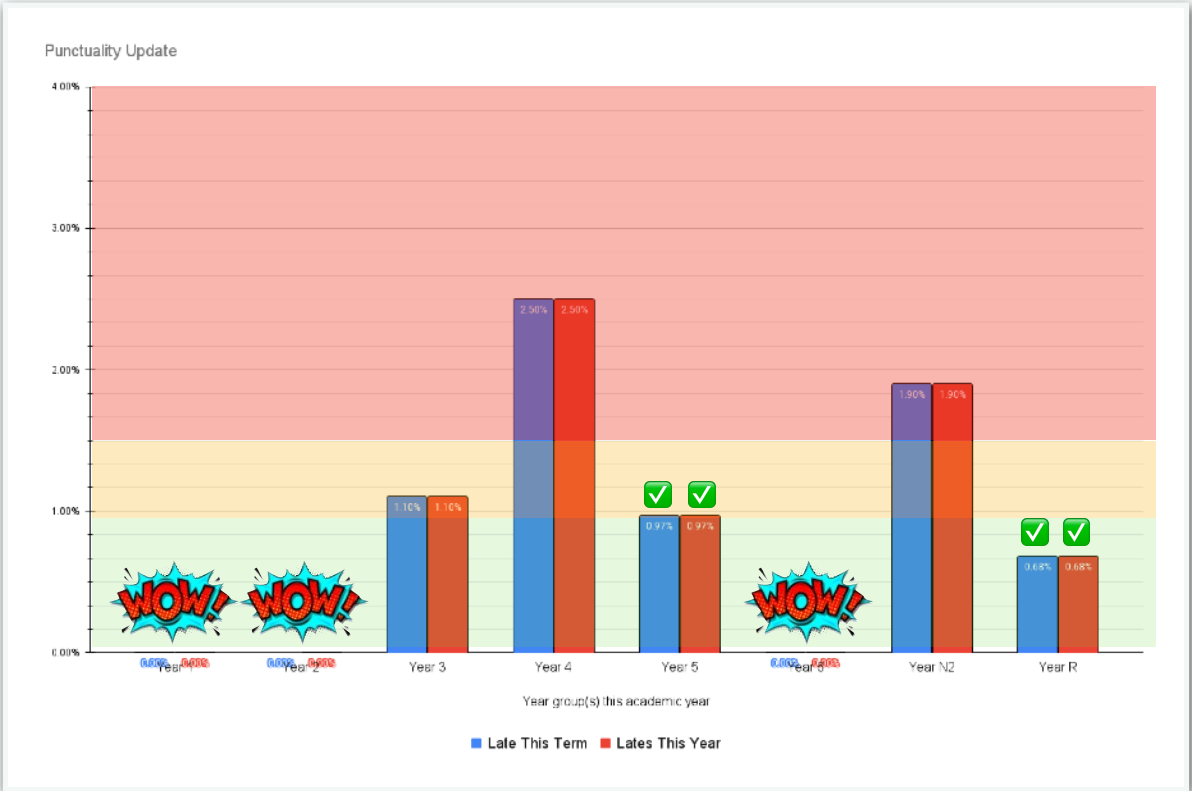
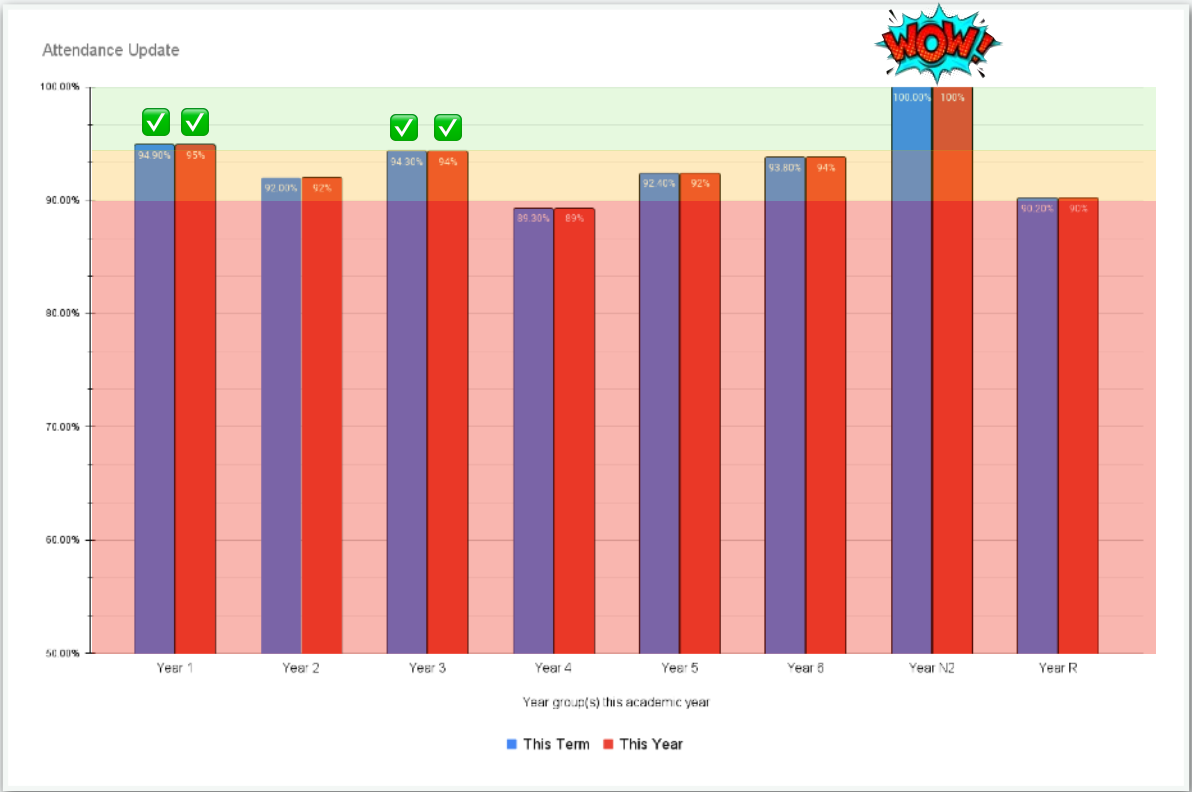
Use this for updating contact details, child medical information, permissions, payments and seeing your child's reports.



The Governing Body have approved the following P.E. Kit Uniform policy from **1st September 2023**, which includes a number of suggestions received within the recent survey of parents/carers:

- Pupils are to continue coming in to school wearing P.E. kit on the days in which they have P.E. lessons.
- They must wear:
 - **Plain** white or blue t-shirt
 - **Plain** black, dark grey or blue shorts (in warmer weather)
 - **Plain** black, dark grey or blue joggers or leggings (in colder weather)
 - **Plain** blue jumper, cardigan or tracksuit top - school jumper/cardigan is more than fine
 - Trainers - preferably black (pumps would only be suitable for indoor use, and not to be worn to school)
 - No part of the uniform needs to include the school badge, and can be bought from any shop or supplier.
 - **Football kits and fashion items (including patterns, names and slogans) are not part of the P.E. kit uniform.**
 - P.E. kit items will be included in the school's Uniform Swap Shop.





Good Attendance Draw!!

Don't forget, for every week that your child has an attendance of 96%+, they are allocated a digital ticket for a draw that will take place every half term. The more weeks with an attendance of 96%+, the more chances to win!



WELCOME BACK



Youth and Play clubs re-open at the
Stirling Centre on
Thursday 14th September 2023

Juniors (6-11 year olds) 4-6pm

Seniors (11-16 year olds) 6.30-8.30pm

You must be registered to attend and numbers of attendees
are limited at each session.

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Funded by Manchester City Council Youth and Play fund via the East Manchester Youth and Play Partnership



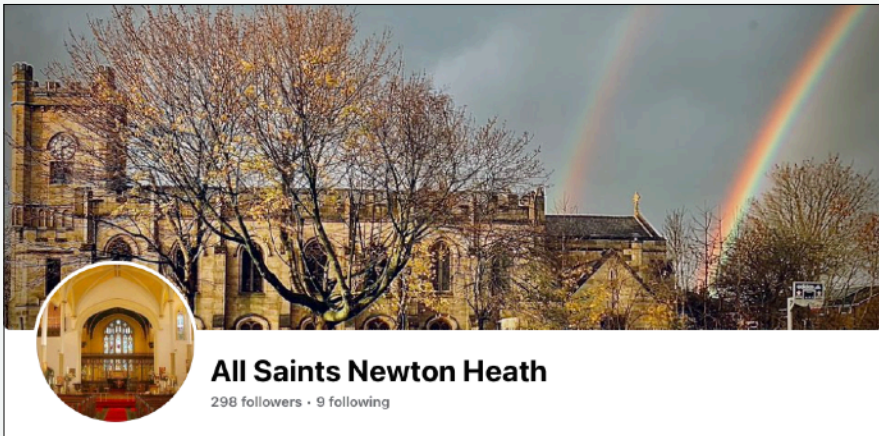
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More information from Father Andrew can be found here:

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/15869/>



Messy Church

It typically includes a **welcome**, a long **creative time** to explore the **biblical theme** through getting messy; a short **celebration time** involving story, prayer, song, games and similar; and a **sit-down meal** together at tables.



Services and Events

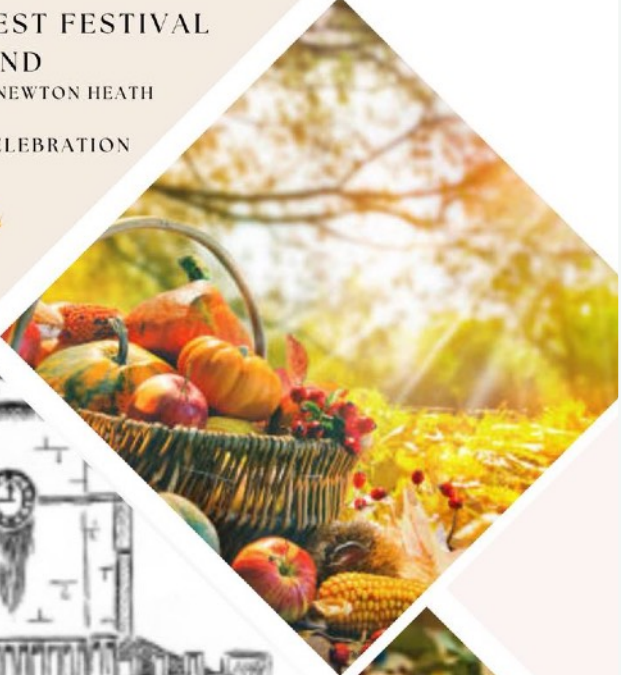
Parish Sung Eucharist Sundays 10am - 11am
Sermon, music and Holy Communion

Place of Welcome Thursdays 10am - 12pm
Time for a brew and a chat



Find out more about upcoming events

**HERITAGE HARVEST FESTIVAL
WEEKEND**
ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWTON HEATH
A COMMUNITY CELEBRATION



heritage open days

ADDRESS
ALL SAINTS' ST MANCHESTER M40 1JB

SATURDAY 16TH OF SEPTEMBER

10.00 AM -
HERITAGE OPEN DAY EXHIBITION
CHURCH AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING

2.00 PM -
GET CREATIVE
- ARTS & CRAFTS FOR ALL AGES
FROM PAINTING TO CARD MAKING



SUNDAY 17TH OF SEPTEMBER

10.00 AM - HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE
11.00 AM - CHURCH AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING

3.00 PM - HARVEST HERITAGE SING SONG
AND CONCERT



REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED
CHILDREN PLAYING CORNER WITH ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE
WHEELCHAIR FRIENDLY
NO BOOKING REQUIRED - FREE





ALL SAINTS COFFEE MORNING



ALL SAINTS CHURCH, NEWTON HEATH

EVERY THURSDAY

10AM -12PM



POP IN FOR A FREE BREW AND A CHAT

EVERYONE WELCOME



**PLACES OF
WELCOME**



Summer Reading Challenge 2023

READY, SET, READ!

Presented by The Reading Agency.
Delivered in partnership with libraries.

JOIN READY, SET, READ THIS SUMMER!

3 July–16 September

You're invited to join our free Summer Reading Challenge: Ready, Set, Read! Join at your local library to receive your joining pack and start reading books to earn your medal and certificate. All you have to do is to **read six books**.

Libraries have lots of free activities for you to enjoy during the summer holidays too. Check out what's on offer on Loads to Do loadstodo.co.uk

Mini-challenge

Children under four years can also join and take part in the fun with their very own joining card. Ask at your local library or next time you're at Storytime.



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BBC Culture have picked out their 100 greatest children's books. How many of them have you read? Which books do you think should have been included?

Sharing stories and books with children of any age is so important, as well as being fun and for spending quality family time together.

Here are the top ten:

1. Where the Wild Things Are (Maurice Sendak, 1963)
2. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland (Lewis Carroll, 1865)
3. Pippi Longstocking (Astrid Lindgren, 1945)
4. The Little Prince (Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, 1943)
5. The Hobbit (JRR Tolkien, 1937)
6. Northern Lights (Philip Pullman, 1995)
7. The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe (CS Lewis, 1950)
8. Winnie-the-Pooh (AA Milne and EH Shepard, 1926)
9. Charlotte's Web (EB White and Garth Williams, 1952)
10. Matilda (Roald Dahl and Quentin Blake, 1988)

See the whole list [here](#).



The first week of the year is always busy, but with the changes we have had to make in a very short period of time, the information to take in

and share, requests from newspapers and tv, a support visit from a fire safety officer, visits from engineers and many meetings...it has been even busier.

What has been absolutely fantastic is the way the children, including those who are new to the school, have settled in and enjoyed the first few days in their new class. The staff have adapted wonderfully to the changes, the very warm weather this week, and ensured that the same calm, caring and positive environment we strive for has been in place from the first minute.

Our first special event takes place next Tuesday, with the children taking part in samba drumming workshops, which I think might be taking place in the room next to my office, so I will certainly be entertained all day.

I hope you all enjoy the weekend. Thank you.

Mr. Sharp
Head Teacher

Rights Respecting School

Article 2 - Governments should ensure that all children and young people have the rights set out in the UNCRC, and individual children and young people shouldn't be discriminated against when these rights are realised.



This covers both direct and indirect discrimination.