

Summer  
2009

# Newfield Express



## Message from the Head teacher

Hi Everyone!

The end of another successful academic year with so many achievements and highlights over the year! The 'Celebration of Achievement' Assembly gave us the opportunity to look back and reflect on all the wonderful achievements of our children, not only those who had specific mention but the whole school. Highlights for me were the Tree dedication Ceremony and of course the assembly I have just mentioned.

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अभिन्दन

I am, as ever, very grateful to all those who have supported us over the year and made it particularly successful. It has been good to see how the partnership between school and home is increasing and lovely to see so many parents visiting the school and sharing our success.

Have a good holiday!

Geoff Fitzpatrick

Look at our  
fantastic new  
entrance & sign!

Beach Party  
Enrichment weeks  
Summer trips BBQ  
National School Sports Week  
St. George's Day  
Celebration of Achievement  
Cinema Event Ice cream van

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## Goodbye and Good Luck to all our leavers!

It's the time of year when our oldest students leave Newfield for pastures new. During this term the leavers held a beach party and a Barbeque Buffet party to celebrate their time here at Newfield and say good bye to their friends. It's always sad to see our oldest students leave, but we have shared lots of good times together and will not forget them.

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# Creative Curriculum - Enrichment weeks

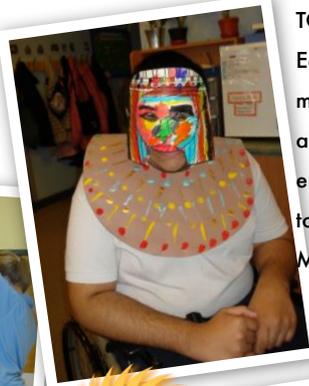
سپر لرننگ ویک - سیکھنے کا عظیم الشان ہفتہ۔

To celebrate the work that we do in our Creative Curriculum, at the end of each half term we have an enrichment week. This is a time to have special events, show what we have learnt and share with others all of the things that we have done or made. Below you can see a selection of the exciting things that we have been doing this term in our new, improved and very creative curriculum!

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Class 9 loved dancing with the girls and staff from Darwen Vale High School  
Mrs Booth



TG1 have been working on Egypt and the Ancient Egyptians in creative curriculum. We had an Egyptian multi sensory session, the pupils wore Egyptian masks and collars that they had produced (as in photo), and enjoyed desert music and lights sequence, fruit tasting, toes in sand etc.

Mrs Gebbe



Class 7 organised and held a badge making day for the whole school - everyone looked lovely with their shiny new badges!



Class 6 had great fun learning about healthy eating, making milkshakes with strawberries and peeling eggs to make egg mayonnaise.

Mrs Gorman



During the summer term Class 8 have had the opportunity to learn how to play the 'Dholak drum' with Tom Southerton from Blackburn with Darwen Music & Art Service. We have all really enjoyed this experience but didn't realise quite how strenuous an activity drumming was. We were invited to play the drums at the Phase 2-13 assembly and the pupils performed superbly, bringing the house down. Well done everyone!

Mrs Walsh



## Improvements for our school

I am completing a Travel Plan for School, which looks at how pupils, parents, visitors and staff get into school and the issues that we come across in making our journeys to and from school.

Once this has been completed an action plan will be formulated to review any travel issues we may have. These could be better street lighting around school, review of the roundabout at the top of Old Bank Lane, more frequent buses along Shadsworth Road, etc.

Once complete we will be awarded a grant of approx £5,000.

Some items that the grant could be used for are:

- Improved lighting in school grounds
- CCTV
- Cycle Storage
- New Signing



I will keep you up to date with any developments and hopefully any improvements that we decide to make will happen before too long.

Jill Kettle – Pupil Services Manager



## Ice Cream Van visits our school

On a hot and sunny afternoon in June, an ice cream van came to school and all the children and staff enjoyed queueing in the sunshine to get a cooling treat - it was great! Thanks Geoff!



## Celebrating St. George's Day



On Thursday 23rd April we celebrated all things English on St. George's Day. We had a concert in the afternoon, where we sang, looked at famous English things and played a game with the letters making up the words 'St. George's Day' which was fun. The highlight was Mel Uttley, TA3, playing her trumpet for us. Afterwards everyone enjoyed a cream tea with scones and jam and cream which was delicious!



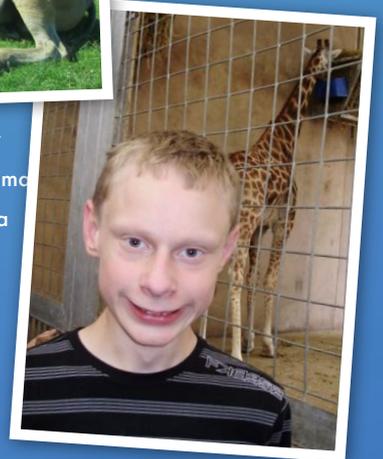
Class 7 went to the seaside at Lytham. They had their buckets and spades all ready on the bus journey there and had a fantastic time playing in the sand on the beach on a lovely sunny day.  
Sheila Peers



Class 4 went to Lytham St. Annes. We had a lovely day, walked on the beach, played on some amusements, tried to fly a kite, had some chips, and we managed to avoid the rain.  
Jason Greenwood



TG3 had a wild day out at Knowsley Safari park. They saw lots of wild animals, had a nice picnic and everyone had a wonderful time.  
Hayley Parker



# SUMMER TERM



Class 6 had a fantastic day in Lytham St. Annes and all enjoyed ice creams!  
Ann Gorman

TG1 enjoyed a trip to Moss Bank park. We all had a great time and the sun did finally come out. We saw and visited the small animals and then went in into the butterfly house. We finished off the day eating ice lollies.

Julianna Jones



TG2 visited Smithills Open Farm in Bolton where they handled rabbits, chicks, owls, a snake, a baby donkey, cows & pigs and fed baby goats & sheep!

Jenny Riley



Class 3 also had a lovely day at Moss Bank Park, where they enjoyed seeing the animals and going on the swings.

Helen Thomas



# TRIPS 2009



*Celebration of  
Achievement Assembly  
Thursday 16th July 2009*



At the very end of the Summer term we held our special assembly to celebrate the hard work of all of our young people. We had a guest speaker who gave out the awards called Terry Powell, who is a former captain of the GB paralympic judo squad and who is himself blind.

All of our leavers received their portfolios at our assembly, while all of the younger students at the end of a key stage were given their profiles. Some children received awards for outstanding achievements and effort.

It was a wonderful occasion as always and a great way to end the school year. Well done everybody!



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## Dancing at King George's Hall

On the 9th June a group of students from our school went to perform at King George's Hall in an evening of dance. There were many schools from Blackburn with Darwen performing. All of the schools were given the topic of 'Nature'. We took the theme of insects and each student was dressed in a handmade costume representing different insects. We danced to 3 songs, including 'Ugly Bug Ball' and everybody had a ball!



## Buddies News

Debbie Riley, Outreach HLTA, has continued her work with the buddy system in school, partnering students from 14-19 phase with pupils from 2-13 phase. They meet on Wednesday lunchtimes and have lunch together now as well as meeting at other times when possible. The supportive buddies chat regularly and have been able to enjoy the good weather together this summer term, as you can see in the photograph. Thanks again Debbie!

## 14-19 Beach Party & BBQ

Students in phase 14-19 celebrated summer in style and had a wonderful time, as you can see from the photos.

We had different kinds of food to eat - burgers, hot dogs, salad and ice creams. We had music on in the background and some of us sat under a gazebo, although we had a lot of trouble putting it up!

Hurray for summer!



Canoeing and visits to the Burrs Outdoor activity centre in Bury



## National School Sports Week

Monday the 29th June was the start of National Schools Sports Week. To launch this event all of the Newfield pupils and staff took part in a mass "Wake Up and Shake Up" session. The session was led by senior pupils Rebecca Harrison, Melissa Reddin, Lee Spiers and staff member Melanie Uttley. They had spent many hours practising and did a superb job. Everyone participated fully, dancing with enthusiasm and gusto. Despite the very warm conditions we all had a brilliant time. Students took part in canoeing, being very brave in the boats and also enjoyed visiting the Burrs outdoor activity centre in Bury. During this week some students also represented Newfield at the Lancashire Disability Youth Games in Blackpool. They were a credit to our school, had a fantastic time and did really well, coming 3rd and 4th in different events. Well done to everyone!



## Important Dates:

Summer Holiday

School Closes:  
Friday 17th July 2009

School re-opens:  
Monday 7th September 2009

Autumn Half Term Holiday

School Closes:  
Friday 23rd October 2009

School re-opens:  
Monday 2nd November 2009



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