


**Newton**

International School D-Ring Road



## WHAT A TERM



As we approach the end of Term One, it's a wonderful opportunity to pause, reflect, and appreciate all that we've accomplished together. It has been a busy and productive term, and none of it would have been possible without the unwavering support of our parent community. From meetings and workshops to open days and assemblies, your involvement plays a vital role in making these events successful. Thank you for your continued partnership and commitment!

This month, we celebrated Anti-Bullying Week, where both staff and children engaged in meaningful discussions about different types of bullying and strategies to address them. These conversations reinforced our commitment to fostering a safe and supportive school environment for all.

World Philosophy Day and World Children's Day were highlights of the month, as our students delved into thought-provoking philosophical dialogues around equality in education. These activities showcased the depth of their thinking and their growing ability to engage in meaningful discussions.

### Important Dates

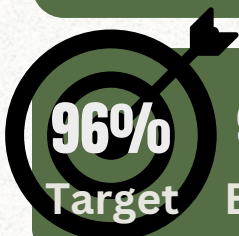
**2 Dec - 9 Dec** Term 1 Exams  
**12 Dec** Reports to parents  
**12 Dec** End of Term 1  
**6 Jan** Start of Term 2

Our focus on linking classroom learning with real-world experiences has been evident through exciting school trips. Year 1 students explored our neighboring doctor's office, gaining insights into the healthcare profession, while Year 6 embarked on a shopping adventure to Lulu, where they purchased ingredients for their Smoothie Challenge project. These trips not only enriched their learning but also helped them connect theory to practice.

As we move into the holiday season, we can all take pride in the accomplishments of this term. Thank you once again for your ongoing support—it truly makes all the difference!

## Attendance

ON TIME, ALL DAY, EVERYDAY


**96%**

Target

**92%**

EYFS

**93%**

KS1

**93%**

KS2

**94%**

KS3

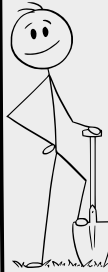
**School Play Watch this space!**





# SCHOOL GARDEN

The students have been very busy planting carrots, tomatoes, peppers, spinach and a variety of other vegetables; transforming their garden into a hub of growth and excitement. The germination process has begun, and the children are thrilled to see the first signs of sprouting, marking the success of their efforts. They've taken great pride in caring for the garden, eagerly tending to it during break times and ensuring the plants receive the water and attention they need. This hands-on experience has not only taught them about the wonders of nature but has also fostered responsibility, patience, and teamwork.



# ANYTHING BUT A BACK PACK DAY

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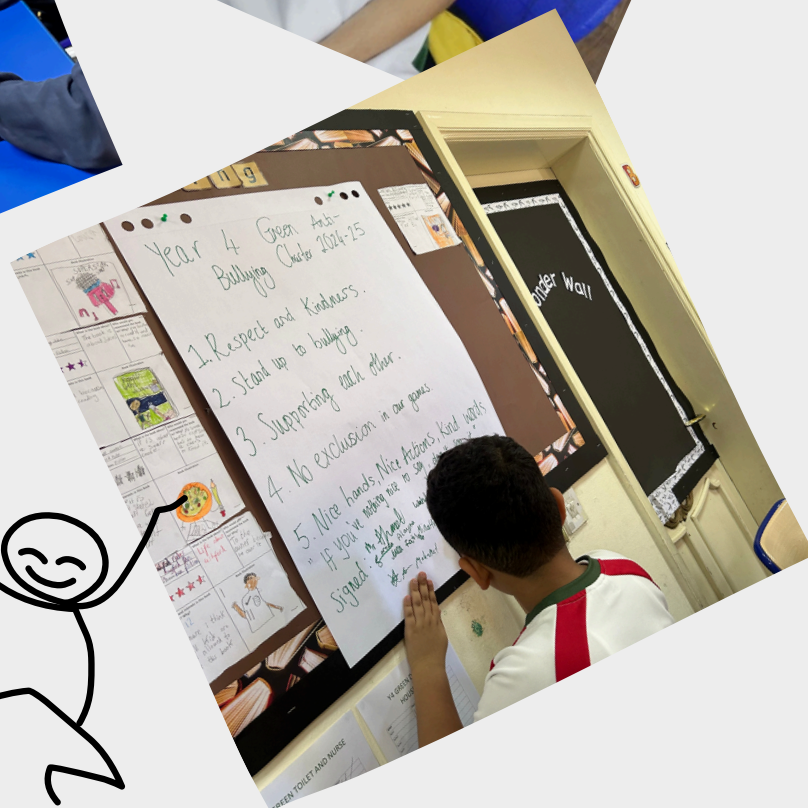
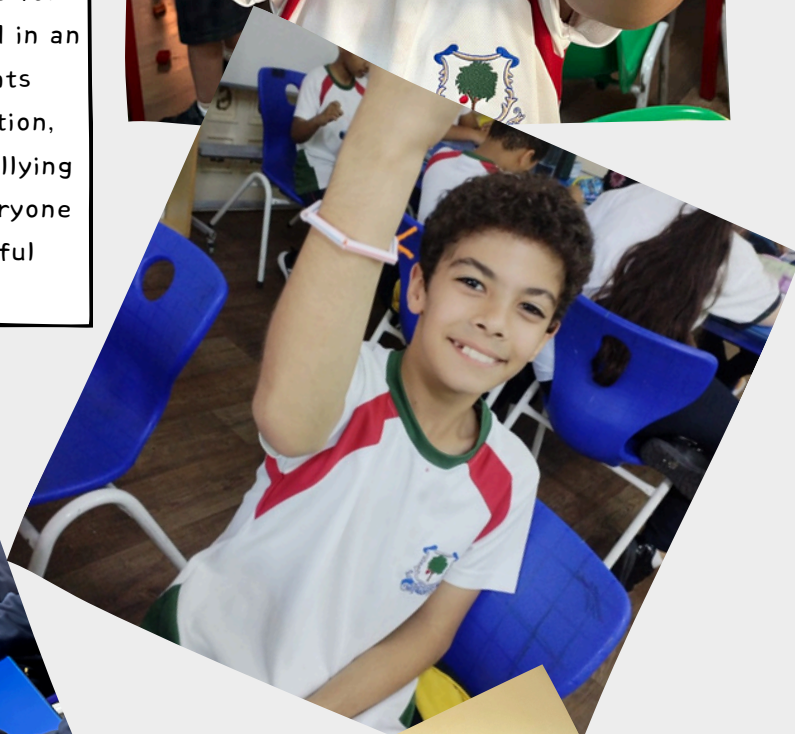




# ANTI BULLYING WEEK

Newton International School D-Ring Road Campus celebrated Anti-Bullying Week with a variety of activities aimed at fostering kindness, inclusion, and safety within our school community. Students pledged their commitment to a supportive environment, created and wore anti-bullying bracelets as a symbol of unity, and embraced individuality through Odd Socks Day.

Throughout the week, secret acts of kindness encouraged thoughtful gestures among peers, while the introduction of the Buddy Bench provided a space for inclusivity during break times. Parents participated in an informative online safety workshop, and students showcased their creativity in the poster competition, with winning entries set to feature on our Anti-Bullying Display for the rest of the year. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making this week a meaningful success!.





# EYFS

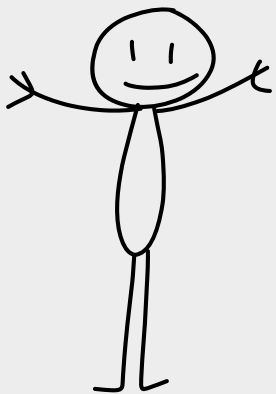
November has been an exciting month for our EYFS children. The F2 children have been exploring Space as part of their topic and had a special visit from an astronaut, which sparked lots of curiosity and excitement. They also enjoyed a fantastic school trip to MIA Park, where they had fun taking part in outdoor activities. Meanwhile, the F1 children have been learning about Animals and had a special visit from Build-a-Bear, where they joined in with fun games and choose their own teddy bears to take home. EYFS also took part in the fun 'Anything But a Backpack Day,' bringing their belongings to school in creative and imaginative ways. We celebrated Anti-Bullying Week by wearing odd socks to show our support for kindness and inclusivity. It's been a month full of learning, laughter and happy memories!





## YEAR 2

We are thrilled to share the success of our recent Parent Assembly, where students took us on an incredible journey through space to celebrate the historic moon landing of Neil Armstrong. The children did an outstanding job presenting fascinating facts about space exploration and the achievements of NASA, bringing history to life in a fun and engaging way. With creativity and enthusiasm, they guided us through Armstrong's monumental first steps on the moon, making the event both educational and inspiring. Congratulations to all the students for their hard work and dedication – you truly made this assembly a memorable experience for everyone!





# YEAR 3

This November, Year 3 celebrated Anti-Bullying Day with activities promoting kindness and inclusivity. The children crafted bracelets symbolising unity and carried out thoughtful acts for a 'secret buddy,' fostering positivity and respect.

Year 3 have also been practising Thinking Moves as part of P4C. On Anything but a Backpack Day, their creative choices sparked curiosity and led to thoughtful philosophical questions, showcasing their growing critical thinking skills.





# YEAR 4

Year 4 have been very busy in school during the month of November.

Firstly, we had our first school trip of the year to the Singing Sand Dunes with Jose from DEAP. The children had fun making sure our desert was nice and clean before sliding down the sand dunes to create some music.

Year 4 also celebrated anti-bullying week this month. We made anti bullying bracelets, made an anti-bullying pledge and even wore odd socks to raise awareness of it.

We're also had "Anything but a Backpack' Day. This was to highlight or spark philosophical conversations between the students about how lucky we are to have backpacks and how some people and children aren't so lucky. We look forward to the next month and our Viking Parent assembly!





# YEAR 5

November has been an exciting and meaningful month for our Year 5 students! The highlight was their field trip to Al Thuraya Planetarium, where they explored the wonders of space and deepened their curiosity about the universe. In our P4C lessons, they engaged in thoughtful discussions about equality in education and children's rights, showcasing the school's core values of caring, critical thinking, creativity, and collaboration. Their creativity shone through during "Anything But a Backpack Day," with imaginative and fun designs that brought smiles to everyone. Despite all the excitement, the students have been working diligently to prepare for their upcoming exams. We wish them the best of luck—you've got this!





# YEAR 6

Year 6 have had a busy month!

We've particularly loved science where our studies of the human digestive system led us to complete messy experiments and a trip to Lulu to shop for ingredients that we then cut up and blended into smoothies.

In English we have been writing story openings and showcasing our creativity and advanced SPAG knowledge.

In Maths, we are becoming masters of fractions by applying our knowledge of multiplication and division to complex problems.

We have developed as researchers in Humanities through our exploration of Mountains.

Throughout the curriculum, we have engaged in metacognition and reflected on how we communicate effectively with others - thinking about thinking.

