

FAMILY NEWS

WEEKLY UPDATE

WEEK 4



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Academy**



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NewsLetter

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION!

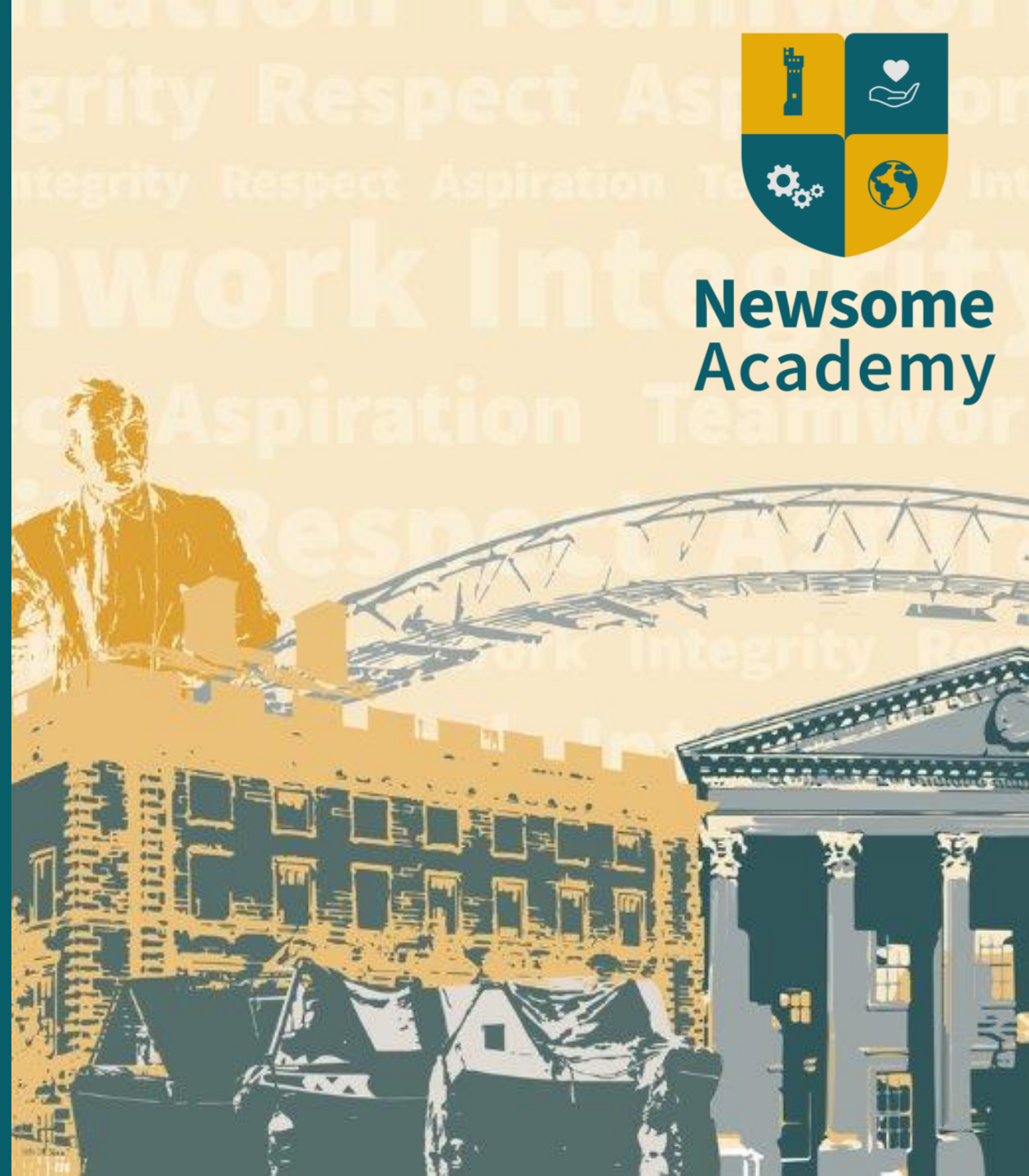
- The Headteacher personally sends (email, text & X Post) a weekly update on what's happening in school to support our families. All these are located in the Half-Term drop-down boxes on our website.
- This Newsletter is discussed every Monday in our whole-school Seminar & displayed around the school on screens – because communication is everything!

Please also see the following links to take you to some useful areas:

- [Letters Home](#)
- [Home Study Pack \(current being updated but still useful\)](#)
- [Student Knowledge Organisers \(to be used in school & home learning\)](#)
- Families are responsible for informing us if their details have changed or if they notice they are not receiving our (very) regular communication home.



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CALENDAR

5 WEEKS

**UNTIL NEXT
BREAK**

2024				2025						
September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
1 Su	1 Tu	1 Fr	1 Su	1 We <small>New Year's Day</small>	1 Sa	1 Sa	1 Tu	1 Th	1 Su	1 Tu
2 Mo	2 We	2 Sa	2 Mo	2 Th	2 Su	2 Su	2 We	2 Fr	2 Mo	2 We
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18 We	18 Fr	18 Mo	18 We	18 Sa	18 Tu	18 Tu	18 Fr <small>Good Friday</small>	18 Su	18 We	18 Fr
19 Th	19 Sa	19 Tu	19 Th	19 Su	19 We	19 We	19 Sa	19 Mo	19 Th	19 Sa
20 Fr	20 Su	20 We	20 Fr	20 Mo	20 Th	20 Th	20 Su	20 Tu	20 Fr	20 Su
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**WE
ARE
HERE**



ATTENDANCE
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BEST YEAR GROUP

Year 7 97.3%

Year 7 - JHA 98.8%

Year 8 - KLY 99.3%

Year 9 - SJO 96.9%

Year 10 - LMA 97.5%

Year 11 - BWE 97.9%



Attendance Matters		
100%	0 DAYS	0 LESSONS MISSED
99%	1 DAY	5 LESSONS MISSED
98%	3 DAYS	15 LESSONS MISSED
97%	1 WEEK	25 LESSONS MISSED
96%	1.5 WEEKS	35 LESSONS MISSED
94%	2 WEEKS	50 LESSONS MISSED
93%	2.5 WEEKS	65 LESSONS MISSED
92%	3 WEEKS	75 LESSONS MISSED
90%	3.5 WEEKS	90 LESSONS MISSED

MAXIMISE YOUR POTENTIAL.
ATTEND SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

KEEP PUSHING FOR EXCEPTIONAL!

SOCIAL X MEDIA MOMENTS



The Oscar's! These two decided today was the day to start 'giving something back'. Both boys volunteered to do some litter picking during lunch 🍌🍌🍌🍌🍌🍌🍌🍌🍌



Y7 DT students got off to a flying start today. A run through of Health & Safety, followed by a test on the Scroll Saws! 📺📺📺



WEEK AT A GLANCE

HIGH ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Make sure you know your Class Charts and Attendance 'profile' ready for successful College applications.

HOME COMMUNICATION

Know and use the best staff to support you in your studies. Info to the right about home discussion.

MONDAY



Whole-School Seminar: Study Guidance
Gagan Visiting
European Day of Languages – Bake Off

TUESDAY

- Open Evening for Year 5 & Year 6 families

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

- European Day of Languages

FRIDAY

- Y11 R2E Leg 1 – Rewards Seminar and lunch
- Afternoon Tea in aid of Macmillan – 3.30pm



Speak about how you are doing in all of your lessons.



Y11 Families are to discuss who their Mentor is and what this is.



Ask about the neatness in workbooks and our PRIDE Policy. This is going to be officially checked in the coming weeks.



WE OFFER A RANGE OF CLUBS FOR FUN AND LEARNING THAT STUDENTS CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF...



**EXTRA
CURRICULAR
CLUBS
AUTUMN
3PM-4PM**

Day	Club	Location	Staff Lead
MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Netball Y7 – Y10 Homework Club – All years Cooking Club Table Tennis Algebra Level 3 – Invitation only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports Hall/ Astro 608 602 Gym 407 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HR/MHO DF GC GEA/JDA MAS
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wheelchair Basketball Club (invitation only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports Hall 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCU
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Homework Club Girls Football Choir Football YR 9/10 BSL club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 608 Astro 402 Field 803 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DTU External EC GEA/JDA DCR
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LETTERS HOME



**Newsome
Academy**
Everyone Exceptional Everyday

OPEN EVENING STUDENT PRESENTATIONS HEADTEACHER INTRO ACADEMY TOURS

TUESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER - 4:30-6:30



COME & SEE OUR AWESOME ACADEMY TO
GET A FEEL FOR WHAT IT IS LIKE TO BE
PART OF A 'CARING, CLOSENIT FAMILY.'

We have invested in the online reading development programme, Reading Plus, which develops reading skills at every level. Reading skills are essential life skills which will support your child in achieving their potential at GCSE and beyond in their chosen career path. Did you know the average GCSE paper is written for a reading age of 15 years and 7 months? To access every question your child needs to be reading at or above their chronological age.

What is Reading Plus?

Reading Plus is designed to improve children's reading. It does this by developing silent reading fluency (reading speed) and then introducing more complex stories (for comprehension) and advanced vocabulary (for knowledge). Children have access to 1,100+ high-quality online texts that are both engaging and inspirational and match students reading levels. Teachers can monitor precisely what and how children read, meaning they can offer the proper support when needed.

- **Step 1: Go to login.readingplus.com.**
- **Step 2: Press the Student Login button.**
- **Step 3: Enter Site Code: rpnewsomea**
- **Step 4: Type Username: [username]**
- **Step 5: Type Password: Newsome123**



Our Families ▾ Contact Us

Admissions & Transitions

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School Uniform

School Lunches

School Day

Families should regularly
visit our website on the
link above.



Independent learning will be set as per the timetable below for each year group to ensure it is spread out across the week. Failure to complete homework to an acceptable standard will be recorded on ClassCharts.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7*	7NEW MFL	English	Science	Maths	7SOM MFL
Year 8*	8NEW MFL	8SOM MFL	Maths	English	Science
Year 9*	MFL	Science	English		Maths
Year 10	English Option C	Maths	MFL Option D	Science	Hums
Year 11	Maths	MFL Option D	English	Hums Option C	Science

- Due to A/B Week timetables, classes in Years 7-9 will receive Hums and VTC homework at different times each week.



HOMEWORK CALENDAR






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Here is a reminder of the resources that are on offer to you whilst learning at home. Students are lucky enough to get above and beyond that of most schools and it's important these are taken advantage of for success.

KEY STAGE 3 (YEARS 7,8,9)

KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

This is broken down per each half term and contain content and questions to work from home on.

HOMEWORK SCHEDULE

This supports time management at home and a guide for Teachers so work issuing is not given all in one go.

KEY STAGE 4 (YEARS 10& 11)

EXAM BOARD LIST

The list on the previous page offers guidance of the vast range of online resources such as past papers etc. This should be used as a guide.

REVISION GUIDES

ALL students have/will been given **FREE** guides which they should have at home. There's no excuses for loss


WIDER SUPPORT

ADDITIONAL SOFTWARE LINKS | WELLBEING APPS | INDEPENDANT STUDY GUIDES



HOME LEARNING





Each subject area uses additional software to support learning – this provides learning outside the classroom...

Subject-Specific Software Packages to Support Study

ENGLISH Mr Bruff's Video Guides (KS4) Spark Notes	MATHS Corbett Maths Sparx Maths	SCIENCE Educake
GEOGRAPHY GCSEPod	HISTORY GCSEPod	RE Seneca Learning GCSE Bitesize GCSEPod
LANGUAGES Active Learn Active Hub	MUSIC Music - BBC Bitesize BandLab: Make Music Online	VTC BFI iAchieve

GENERAL
[Oak National Academy](#)
[GCSEPod](#)
[BBC Bitesize](#)
[Reading Plus](#)



SUBJECT WEBSITES





ACADEMY CHOIR

PLEASE SPEAK TO MS
COLE IN THE VTC
DEPARTMENT.



Everybody
Welcome



ADDITIONAL
ENRICHMENT
OPPORTUNITIES





THE

VANGUARD





Mobile Phone

Expectations & Reminders

NOTHING NEW

KEY STUDENT REMINDERS

- Mobile phones should be **switched off and out of sight in school.**
- While on school premises, **mobile phones are not to be seen or used** by students, unless instructed by an adult.
- Unless express permission is granted, mobile phones should not be used to make calls, send SMS messages, surf the internet, take photos or use any other application during the school day or while on school premises.
- **If using a mobile phone in absolute emergencies, a staff member should be present and it should be in a non public area.**
- The Bluetooth function of a mobile phone must be switched off at all times and **not be used to send images or files to other mobile phones.**
- Using mobile phones to bully and threaten other students is unacceptable. **Cyber bullying will not be tolerated.**
- Mobile phones are not to be used or taken into changing rooms or toilets or used in any situation that may cause embarrassment or discomfort to their fellow students, staff or visitors to the school.
- **It is unacceptable to take a picture of a member of staff without their permission.** In the event that this happens the student will be asked and expected to delete those images.
- Mobile phones will be confiscated if seen.
- Students must adhere to the guidelines and protocol set out by the school when using their devices. If this is not adhered to a suitable sanction will be put in place. **Mobile phones and other electronic devices are only to be used in school when instructed by a member of staff and to complete work/research tasks in an allocated period of time.**



Mobile Phone
Expectations
& Reminders

NOTHING
NEW

Regardless of situation, mobile phones are not to be used by children in school

- If an issue arises in school, staff are in place to do their job.
- Sometimes it makes situations worse if a student contacts home instead of informing staff.
- This causes unnecessary stress to family and doesn't allow school to support the student as/when needed and even heightening the situation.
- Support the us in supporting your child by instilling our rules. We have amazing staff on hand - please allow them to do their job whilst supporting children to respect rules.

Thank You
FOR YOUR
SUPP♥️RT



PASTORAL



	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11
 MS CARTER PASTORAL LEAD	 MS CROSSLAND HEAD OF YEAR 7 ENGLISH TEAM LEADERS	 MS PARSONAGE HEAD OF YEAR 8 MATHS TEAM LEADERS	 MS FLETCHER HEAD OF YEAR 9 HUMANITIES TEAM LEADERS	 MS SYKES HEAD OF YEAR 10 VTC TEAM LEADERS	 MS HALLWORTH HEAD OF YEAR 11 SCIENCE TEAM LEADERS



MR HOLMES



MS GAYE



MS CARR



MS HILL

PASTORAL SUPPORT OFFICERS

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 TEAM IF YOU NEED ANY
 SUPPORT.
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SAFEGUARDING



MS HALL
DSL



MS WOOD
DEPUTY DSL
COUNSELLOR



MS LEROY
DEPUTY DSL



MS BROOK
WELLBEING
LEAD

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**WE HAVE A
DEDICATED TEAM
TO HELP YOU IN
TIMES OF NEED!**



EVERYONE SAFE EVERYDAY



THIS WEEK'S SEMINAR



CELEBRATING SUCCESS & CULTURE



- [Click here](#) to see the video about Gagan...



- What is Eton & How did you get there?
- How different is the uniform at Eton to ours?
- Tell us about the different types of lingo and language that's used.
- What's a typical day like at Eton including extra-curricular?
- Tell us about the Halls?
- How did you feel when you moved?

- Why is learning another language important to you?
- How many other languages do you speak?
- Do people see you differently if you speak other languages?
- Why are European languages important? - what's the point?



Queen Elizabeth II's cousins Prince Richard, Duke of Gloucester, and Prince Edward, Duke of Kent, and Prince Michael of Kent all attended Eton, as did Princess Diana's father, John, 8th Earl Spencer, and her brother, Charles Spencer.

The royals have had an elite education and have attended some of the best and most prestigious schools and universities across the UK, including St Andrews and Cambridge. The Prince of Wales and the Duke of Sussex both began their education at London-based nurseries but later boarded at Eton College.





Famous writers including Ian Fleming, George Orwell, Horace Walpole, and Aldous Huxley are all alumni. Most impressively, 20 British prime ministers have attended Eton, including Robert Walpole, William Gladstone, David Cameron, and Boris Johnson.





- Gagan was a student and left for Eton 2 years ago. Newsome supported him in getting a scholarship at Eton College. He's just completed his A-Levels there and is heading to Imperial College London.





ETON
COLLEGE



The Orwell Award is a Sixth Form scholarship programme that offers fully funded places to talented boys whose life opportunities have been limited.





Can You 'Speak' Eton?

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- Eton is known for the quirks and traditions that have accumulated over its history. One of these are the particular vocabulary that Etonians use on an everyday basis. Whilst at first these terms are difficult to grapple with, you quickly begin to use them without thinking in everyday life. Through time many historic 'Eton' words have fallen from use, but the most commonly used words remain, and are regularly uttered by pupils walking around the school. If you visit, keep an ear out for the ones we will discuss below, 'halves', 'messing', 'beaks' and 'chambers'.
- A school term in Eton is commonly referred to as a 'half'. This word is potentially confusing as there are three 'halves' in school year! The earliest records of Eton life are from the mid-16th Century and show that originally, there were only two three-week holidays in the year. One was at Christmas, when boys were not allowed to return home, and another in the Summer. Despite the school changing to three term years in the 18th Century, this word has survived and is used to this day, so we have the Michaelmas, Lent and Summer Halves.
- 'Messing' refers to a period in the afternoon when pupils are able to access a small kitchen in their boarding houses and make themselves something to eat. This word derives from the phrase 'Officer's mess', which in the army is a place where officers would eat or take recreation. Eton adopted this phrase so the kitchens where afternoon snacking takes place is called a 'messing kitchen'.
- 'Beak' is a term that is not used by Eton alone, in fact other schools such as Harrow and Charterhouse use it as well. It refers to teachers, and there are a couple of competing views about its origin. Some claim it derives from the mortar board that teachers wore up until around the Twentieth Century, whereas others suggest it comes from an old Dutch word for someone in authority.
- Finally, 'chambers' is a period between lessons in the morning where pupils have a break and are often given something to eat. This term originates from a room used by the Headmaster (called the Schoolmaster at this stage) for meetings, which took place as pupils had a break. This room in the 1608/9 accounts was called 'Mr Scholemaster's [Schoolmaster] lower chamber'. The word 'chambers' is therefore a reference to this meeting and the break that pupils enjoyed, although now it is only the pupils who have a guaranteed break at that time of the day, as it is also time for the morning meeting for all beaks!



Eton College gives a range of extra-curricular opportunities for students. [Click here](#) to find out what.

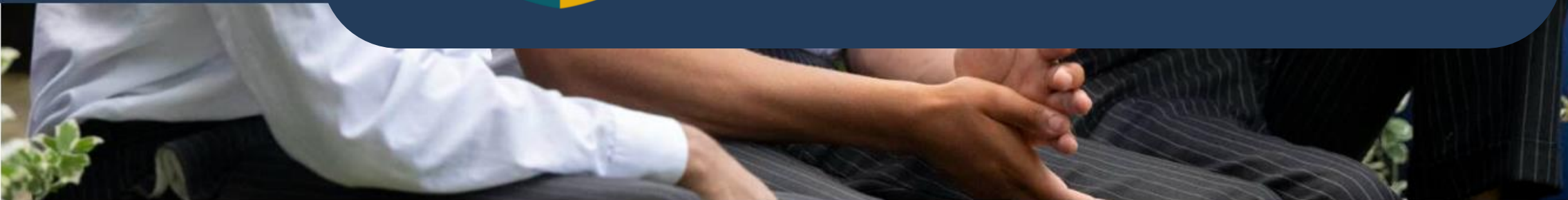




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Who will be our next Scholar at Eton?



European Day of Languages 2024





European Day of Languages 26 September



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LES LANGUES VIVANTES

COUNCIL OF EUROPE

CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE

RESPECT | INTEGRITY | TEAMWORK | ASPIRATION



Newsome *presents*

International **BAKE OFF**



In celebration of the
European Day of Languages



Entries to Mrs Fox in 204
Prizes today for:

- Exceptional Flavour
- Exceptional Decoration
- Exceptional link to the theme

Winners will be announced
in Year group seminars

**BAKE SALE TODAY AT
BREAK AND LUNCH
IN AID OF MACMILLAN**



**European
Day of
Languages
2024:**

**Languages
for Peace.**

TUESDAY

- FIND THE 40 WORDS FOR PEACE WORN BY STAFF IN SCHOOL
- IDENTIFY THE LANGUAGE
- FILL IN THE QUIZ
- ENTRIES TO MRS FOX - 204

