



مدرسة نيوتن العالمية
NEWTON INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

Parents as Partners 2023-2024

All members of the Newton International School, West Bay community: staff, parents and children will commit to working together to achieve the following mission.

To provide the highest quality of education possible for students of all abilities. In doing so, we aim to positively encourage each student to achieve academic excellence, enjoy creative diversity, develop critical thinking skills and become lifelong learners and responsible citizens.

To achieve this, we will provide a diverse education in a safe, supportive environment that promotes self-discipline and motivation. We will provide and maintain a calm, trusting and caring atmosphere where teaching and learning are meaningful and developed. We will work in partnership with our staff, students, parents and wider community to achieve our vision.

This policy aims to provide all the information needed to understand the ways in which parents can support our school.

Our Parent Council is made up of volunteer parents who form our Parents as Partners group (PAP) and also our Parent Voice forum.

The PAP

The NIS West Bay Primary School PAP is made up of volunteer parents and teachers who work hard fundraising to support the education of our children, by providing and assisting in the provision of facilities at the school.

Our PAP has two main objectives;

to enhance relationships between the staff, parents and others associated with the school.

to engage in activities which raise funds to support the school and our children.

What does your PAP do?

To achieve the aims set out above we organise a variety of events throughout the school year where we invite parents to participate.

Examples of past events are

Sport Days

School Fair

Book Week

Assemblies

End of Year Graduation and Price Giving

Parent Meetings

Parent Workshops

Why get involved?

Maybe you are looking for a way to be more involved with our school, or maybe you have skills and hobbies you would enjoy volunteering to support your child's school life. There is, in our opinion, no better way to get involved in such a direct, hands on way than joining the PAP!

Membership of our PAP is open, and indeed automatic. All parents of children at the school, staff, representatives of the school and its associated bodies are welcome to become active members

Meetings held two or three times per term and all are welcome to attend.

2021-22 Academic year:

Chair -

Vice chair -

Treasurer –

The Parent Voice

“Empowering parents to help drive excellence”

Our Parent Voice was set up in 2018 following an initial survey which considered methods of increasing communication between parents and our school. It is designed to be parent-friendly and is a great opportunity to become more involved in, and more informed about, the decisions which affect your child’s school.

Our Parent Voice aims to:

Work in partnership with the school to be a platform of open feedback to support school policy and decision making.

Support a school which is welcoming, inclusive and supportive of all parents.

Be positive and empowering in our approach to Parent Voice discussions.

Represent the view of all parents in our respective year groups.

Our Parent Voice is not –

A complaints forum. Official channels for complaints exist outside of this forum.

Being part of the Parent Voice

All parents of children at NIS West Bay Primary School are automatically members of the Parent Voice, and are entitled to have a say in what happens at the school.

To be an effective forum the Parent Voice aims to have at least one representative per year group. We always welcome new members who wish to support the continuing improvement of learning experiences and opportunities for our children.

How do we aim to represent all parents’ views?

Parents will be notified of topics for discussion at the next meeting via the school newsletter and website. Each class representative is available for any parent to share ideas/opinions and suggestions which will then be fed into the forum.

Minutes from the meeting, outlining the outcome of discussions, are available on the school website or from the school office.

Reviewed by:

Principal’s Signature	Head of Primary’s Signature	EYFS Coordinator
		