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**Litter Pick Week – 5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> October**

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Newtown Church of England Primary School, we believe that our Christian values should be lived out not only within our school, but also in the wider community.

As part of this, we are excited to launch 'Litter Pick Week', taking place from Monday 5th to Friday 9th October.

Throughout the week, we are encouraging children and their families to help care for our local community by picking up a little litter on their way to school. It might be one piece of rubbish, a handful of litter or whatever you happen to spot along your journey. We want our children to see that small acts of kindness and service can make a big difference.

We will have bin bags available at the school gates each morning. Children can bring along any litter they have collected and safely deposit it in the bags before coming into school.

We ask that children are always accompanied by an adult when collecting litter and that families only pick up litter that is safe to handle. Please do not pick up anything sharp, broken, hazardous or that could pose a risk. Gloves or litter pickers are recommended where possible, and children will be asked to wash their hands thoroughly after taking part.

There is no expectation for families to collect large amounts – one piece of litter is enough!

This is a wonderful opportunity for us to put our Christian values into action:

- ♥ **Love** – showing love and care for the community and the environment around us.
- ✊ **Courage** – taking responsibility and being brave enough to make a positive difference.
- 🤝 **Friendship** – working together as a school community to make the place we live a little better for everyone.

We hope that, by the end of the week, our children will see that when lots of people each do something small, the impact can be huge. Together, we can make a change.

**One piece of litter. One small act of service. One big difference.**

Thank you for helping us to encourage our children to care for the world around them and to live out our school vision.

Many thanks,

Newtown CE Primary School