



Book recommendation of the week.

Miss Warren's favourite childhood book

We're Going on a Bear Hunt – Michael Rosen

For brave explorers and fearless bear-hunters, enjoy this chant-along children's classic!

We're going on a bear hunt. We're going to catch a big one. Will you come too? For a quarter of a century, readers have been swishy-swashying and splash-splashing through this award-winning favourite.

Newnham Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Date: 2nd November 2018

Headteacher's Message

Hello All,

We all had a wonderful day exploring the festival of Diwali on Wednesday. The children learned about the story of Rama and Sita with Miss Warren, made Indian smoothies and rangoli patterns with Mrs Fahy, found out about some of the Hindu gods with Mr Mead and learned about the significance of Light in the festival of Diwali, with everyone making a lantern.

Firstly, these days allow us to deepen our understand of other cultures both in our own country and around the world (the children were all amazed that not everyone in the world celebrates Christmas!) Secondly, it is lovely that the classes are able to move around the school and work with each teacher- revisiting their old classrooms and spending time in their future ones. It is a wonderful thing about small schools that during one day, you can teach all the children in the school.

During the week, the children have also thought about remembrance, with both songs and a remembrance assembly, and we will be having a two minutes silence on Monday at 11 o'clock.

Finally, our overall attendance is good so far this year, but we are still looking to improve this further- particularly on Mondays when we set out the learning for the new week and Fridays when we celebrate what we have achieved.

As ever, thank you for all of your support,
Mrs Gaffney

Awards and Achievements

Weekly House points

Birch:	125
Chestnut:	119
Oak:	125
Sycamore:	133

Star Writer Certificates:

Jacob W, Jack S, Callum, Sam W

Star Mathematician Certificates:

Ben T, Lily Co, Lewis S, Theo, Liam,
William WR, Olivia D, Lewis J

Headteacher's Award:

Martha, Amelie T, Kairon, Max, Olivia J

Star Artiste Award:

Isaac, Cara, Jacob R, Rosie-Ann, Dylan, Ben S

Attendance

Our attendance target is 97%.

For Week Ending 2nd November 2018

Ladybirds	97.83%
Foxes	100%
Hares	100%
Otters	95.38%
Whole School	98.74%

For whole school year to date

Whole School	97.19%
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Curriculum news

Ladybirds Class

This week in the Ladybirds we have been thinking more about our designing alien planet (Planet Fundai) and the creatures who may live on this. In maths, children in reception have been focusing on addition whilst year ones have been recapping their number bonds, focusing on the relationship between addition and subtraction. They enjoyed making Diva Lamps as part of our Diwali day and created some wonderful cave paintings in their art lesson on Tuesday.

Foxes Class

This week in the Foxes we have had our unicorn experience day whereby we made unicorn horns and had a cookery session making rocky road! The children have also produced a set of instructions on how to make this delicious treat! In Maths we have continued with our multiplication and division unit. As we are updating our displays, the children have started their habitat posters full of all the information they have learnt over the last half term.

Hares Class

This week the children have been writing, writing and writing! They have completed both their Amber and Hot Write tasks. We have also been learning about London and other towns and cities in the south east of England. They have also been developing their netball skills, practising different types of pass. We just need to work on keeping our feet still!

Otters Class

In English this week, we have been describing emotions with actions and speech. In Maths, we have been learning to use bar models. We used these to create armies on an online simulator. In the afternoons, we have been preparing for our Enterprise week. The children have been put into groups and will be competing to see which team can raise the most money.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 12th November

Performing Arts Club 3.20pm
Dance Club 3.20pm
Year 6 Enterprise Week

Tuesday 13th November

Art Club 3.20-4.20pm
Choir Club 12.30-1.00pm

Wednesday 14th November

Cooking Club 3.20pm
Invasion Games Club 3.20pm

Thursday 15th November

Movie Club 3.20pm

Friday 16th November

Judo 3.20pm

School Messages

Emails

If anyone is having problems receiving our emails (Newsletters, awards, etc) please ensure you check your junk/spam folder as if some parents have marked our emails as spam, it has a knock on effect for other parents as the email providers would then consider the address to be junk/spam. What parents need to do is to mark them as "not junk" or "not spam" and they should then be redirected to your inbox in future.

Pantomime

We have booked for the whole school to go to the pantomime in Leamington Spa on the morning of Thursday 13th December to see Dick Whittington. A letter with all the details will be sent home next week.

Playground

At the end of the school day, once the children have been handed over to parents/carers, they are no longer the school's responsibility. Therefore, if the children are playing on the playground equipment, please ensure that you monitor them closely, as the school cannot be held responsible should anything happen.

FoNS

Watch this space for forthcoming events, including our Christmas Fayre.

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Term Dates for Academic Year 2018 – 2019

Term 1	(Training Day (Training Day Term Begins Term Ends	Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	4 th September 5 th September 6 th September 19 th October
- End of Term Break -			
Term 2	Term Begins Term Ends	Monday Wednesday	29 th October 19 th December
- Christmas Holidays -			
Term 3	(Training Day (Training Day Term Begins Term Ends	Thursday Friday Monday Friday	3 rd January 2019 4 th January 7 th January 15 th February
- End of Term Break -			
Term 4	(Training Day Term Begins Term Ends	Monday Tuesday Friday	25 th February 26 th February 5 th April
- Spring Holidays -			
Term 5	Term Begins School Closed – Mayday Term Ends	Tuesday Monday Friday	23 rd April 6 th May 24 th May
- End of Term Break -			
Term 6	Term Begins Term Ends	Monday Wednesday	3 rd June 24 th July

The usual finish time of 3.20pm will apply at term ends. All dates are inclusive.
Training days are unconfirmed and may be subject to change.



Key dates for your diary 2018-2019

November

Monday 12th – Friday 16th November – Year 6 Enterprise Week

December

Tuesday 4th December – Year 4 and 5 Class Assembly 14.45

Monday 10th December – Ladybird's Nativity 14.30 and 17.30

Thursday 13th December -Whole school visit to the pantomime Dick Whittington in Leamington

Friday 14th December - Termly report out to parents

Friday 14th December – FoNS Christmas Fete and Carols on The Green

Tuesday 18th December - Christmas service 9:30 at Newnham Church

January

Monday 21st-Friday 25th January – Year 4 and 5 Enterprise Week

February

Wednesday 6th February – Year 2 and 3 Class Assembly 14.45

Tuesday 12th February - Parents evening 15:30-20.00

March

Tuesday 5th March – Special Event Day: Shrove Tuesday

Thursday 7th March – Special Event Day: World Book Day

Monday 11th-Friday 15th March – Year 2 and 3 Enterprise Week

Friday 29th March - Termly report out to parents

April

Tuesday 2nd April – Foxes Easter performance 14.30 and 17.30

Thursday 4th April – Easter Service at Newnham Church 14.30

May

Monday 13th- Friday 17th May - Year 6 SATs

Thursday 16th May - Year 1 and 2 Class Assembly 14.45

Monday 20th – Friday 24th May - Year 2 SATs



Key dates for your diary 2018-2019...cont.

June

Monday 10th - Friday 14th June - Year 1 phonics screening

Monday 10th - Friday 14th June - Year 1 Enterprise Week

July

Thursday 4th July – Special Event Day: American Independence

Tuesday 16th July - – Hares and Otters Summer production at 18:00

Wednesday 17th July – Hares and Otters Summer production at 14:30 and 18:00

Thursday 18th July – Sports Day

Friday 19th July - Termly report out to parents

Tuesday 23rd July - Leavers' service at Newnham Church at 9:15

***Dates may be subject to change**



After School Clubs (3.20-4.15pm)

Monday	Dance Club Performing Arts Club	Years 2+ R, Years 1 & 2
Tuesday	Art Club (<i>outside provider – payment required</i>)	Years 2+
Wednesday	Cooking Club Invasion Games (netball, basketball, handball)	Years 2+3 Years 4, 5 & 6
Thursday	Movie Club	Years 2+
Friday	Judo (<i>outside provider – payment required</i>)	Years 1+