

Quote of the week

'You must do the thing you think you cannot do'
Eleanor Roosevelt



Book recommendation of the week

Tales of hunger and poverty, Stories of the Sea, Animal Stories, Fantasy and Myth, Books about Sport, these are just a few of the reading categories on the **Year 6** recommended reading list that can be found on our website.

Newnham Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

 Date: 15th December 2017 

Headteacher's Message

Hello All,
After such a busy term, which isn't quite over yet, I would just like to wish the you, your children and your families a wonderful Christmas break. I am sure the children will enjoy a well earned break as they have crammed such a lot into their learning since returned in September. It is easy to list the highlights that the school has enjoyed but it is the day to day that will ultimately be the most valuable. If a child can be enthused, engaged and ready to learn on a daily basis they will always succeed. Harnessing the sense of wonder and the ability to ask questions to provoke further thought is so important. Having the depth of character to not settle for second best in anything and constantly striving to achieve as much as is possible. With that in mind the David Ross Foundation has bought all children in the Trust a book. All KS2 children have been bought the same book. It is an absolute modern classic. I would imagine most would not be able to read it...YET. But with effort and hard work the reward of losing yourself in such a tale is amazing. So it could be viewed that the gift, is the gift of ambition. Which is probably even better than the gift of a book.
As ever thanks for your support,
Sol Johnson



Awards and Achievements

Weekly House points

Birch:	106
Chestnut:	78
Oak:	105
Sycamore:	107

Attendance

Termly 100% Attendance

Fearne Badger, Amelie Baker, Sofia Bates, Rosie-Ann Cahill, Jessica Charlton, Lewis Charlton, Martha Coburn, Lewis Curtis, Olivia Denney, Harrison Gardner-Bates, Millie Grieve, Summer Hallam, Ella-Rose Lee, Emie Madden, William Millsop, Emma Ratcliffe, Thomas Ratcliffe, Lewis Smith, Jack Southern, Amelie Toomey, Jude Toomey, Charlie Townsend, Woody Wilson, Eve Worthington, Willow Worthington, Isaac Worthington, Dragos Ciorascu

Our attendance target is 97%.
For Week Ending 8th December 2017

Cubs	92.44%
Pups	94.16%
Wolves	92.45%
Whole School	93.08%

For whole school year to date

Whole School	95.39%
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Curriculum news

Cubs Class

This week in the Cubs class, we have been busy rehearsing for the Nativity. All the children look amazing in their costumes. They have worked hard to remember lines, songs and grown in confidence each time. On Thursday afternoon, we had our dress rehearsal which we did in front of the rest of the school. The children all performed beautifully and we can't wait for you to all see next week.

Pups Class

The children have written their final recount of their trip to the National Space Centre in English including time connectives and have written some snowy shape poems including adjectives, adverbs and similes. We have been talking about conflict and how to resolve situations and talking about bullying and what do if we think it might be happening in our school. We have learnt the days of the week in French and have learnt a song to help us remember (ask us and we'll sing it to you!) We loved the pantomime and thought that Dame Dotty Doubtphart (The 'P' is silent...apparently!) was very funny!

Wolves Class

This week the Wolves class have been decorating biscuits and doing other finishing touches for our Christmas enterprise sale on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Don't worry if you missed it as we will be selling some of the produce on Monday and Tuesday too. We also had our final African drumming practise in preparation for our performance next **Tuesday**. In the Foxes class we have been counting in fractions and writing persuasive letters.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 18th December

Cubs Nativity Production 2pm and 6pm
Termly Report out to Parents

Tuesday 19th December

Christmas Service at Newnham Church 9.30am
Year 5 and 6 African Drum Performance 2.30pm
FoNS Christmas Fete 3.20pm
Last day of term

Wednesday 3rd January 2018

Term begins

School Messages

School Lunches

The new Menu is now up on ParentPay for next term. You are able to order for the whole term should you wish to do so.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year and see you back here in 2018.



FoNS

Don't forget our Christmas Fete on Tuesday 19th December, beginning after school from 3.20pm, featuring games, stalls and, taking some time out from his busy schedule, Santa will be stopping by.

And there's still time to buy or sell some more raffle tickets, the hamper prizes are AMAZING! The draw will take place at the fete.

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Term Dates for New Academic Year 2017 – 2018

Term 1	(Training Days	Friday	1 September 2017
		Monday	4 September 2017)
	Term Begins	Tuesday	5 September 2017
	Term Ends	Friday	20 October 2017
- End of Term Break -			
Term 2	(Training Day	Monday	30 October 2017)
	Term Begins	Tuesday	31 October 2017
	Term Ends	Tuesday	19 December 2017
	(Training Day	Wednesday	20 December 2017)
- Christmas Holidays -			
Term 3	Term Begins	Wednesday	3 January 2018
	Term Ends	Friday	9 February 2018
- End of Term Break -			
Term 4	(Training Day	Monday	19 February 2018)
	Term Begins	Tuesday	20 February 2018
	Term Ends	Thursday	29 March 2018
- Easter Holidays -			
Term 5	Term Begins	Monday	16 April 2018
	School Closed – Mayday	Monday	7 May 2018
	Term Ends	Friday	25 May 2018
- End of Term Break -			
Term 6	Term Begins	Monday	4 June 2018
	Term Ends	Friday	20 July 2018

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.



Community - Aspiration - Achievement

Key dates for your diary 2017-2018

December

Monday 18th December- Termly report out to parents

Monday 18th December- Cubs class Nativity production at 14:00 and 18:00

Tuesday 19th December- Christmas service 9:30 at Newnham Church

Tuesday 19th December- FoNS Christmas Fete

January

Wednesday 31st January- FoNS Cheese and Wine Tasting (or better still Wine and Cheese Tasting).

February

Thursday 8th February- FoNS Valentines Disco

Friday 9th February- Chinese New Year whole school enrichment day and school fundraising

Saturday 24th February- FoNS Progressive Supper

March

Thursday 8th March- FoNS Mother's Day sale

Tuesday 13th March - Parents evening 15:20-17:00 and 18:00-19:30

Monday 19th March- School photos.

Monday 26th-Thursday 29th March- Cubs class enterprise week

Monday 26th March- Termly report out to parents

Tuesday 27th March- Pups class production at 14:00 and 18:00

Thursday 29th March- Easter service 9:30 at Newnham Church

Thursday 29th March- FoNS Easter Egg Hunt

April

April- FoNS School tea towel/bag.

Friday 20th April- 'Earth Day' whole school fundraising



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Key dates for your diary 2017-2018 (cont...)

May

Monday 14th - Thursday 17th May- Year 6 SATs

Monday 21st - Thursday 24th May- Year 2 SATs

Thursday 24th May- FoNS Apres SATs Disco

Friday 25th May- FoNS Mufti for chocolate and wine.

June

Monday 11th - Thursday 14th June- Year 1 phonics screening

Thursday 14th June- FoNS Father's Day sale.

Friday 15th June- Eid whole school enrichment day

Wednesday 20th June – Sports Day 13:30 – 15:00

July

Monday 2nd – Friday 6th July- Pups class enterprise week

Friday 6th July - FoNS Mufti a day at the beach for teddies.

Tuesday 10th July- Wolves class production at 14:00 and 18:00

Thursday 12th July – Summer Fete

Monday 16th July- Termly report out to parents

Thursday 19th July- Leavers' service in Newnham Church at 9:30