

Quote of the week

'Make your life a masterpiece;
imagine no limitations on what
you can do'
Brian Tracey



Book recommendation of the week

Fantastic Mr Fox – Roald Dahl
This book offers a wonderful insight into Roald Dahl's use of alliteration and language. It is also on our Year 2 recommended reading list, why not read it, review it and be in with a chance of winning a £50 book voucher 😊

Newnham Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Date: 17th November 2017

Headteacher's Message

Hello All,
One of the lovely things about my job is the predictability.
So, when I listened to the Wolves rehearse, I predicted they would do well and sing with confidence and skill.
When I saw the itinerary, I predicted it would be a long and patience taking day.
I was wrong!!!! The day flew by and the Wolves were **so much better** than I had predicted. I was so impressed by their performance. I had the opportunity to sit in direct eyeline and they certainly belted it out, but the most impressive thing was just how slick they were in comparison to other schools. They stood as one and when singing, their voices blended beautifully and each child was pronouncing the words excellently (their mouths were all doing the same thing at the same time). There was also the complexity of actions in one of the songs. They did them as a unit. It really was a well-polished and professional performance.
In other news, the book reviews are being completed in school but if any children would like to submit extra entries that they work on for extended time at home (to improve upon the one written) they have until Tuesday to get it to school.
Finally, we are organising visitors to the school and we will soon be welcoming an Olympic and Commonwealth medallist to the school. Parents will be welcome too. Details ASAP.
As ever thanks for your support,
Sol Johnson

Awards and Achievements

Weekly House points

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| Birch: | 156 |
| Chestnut: | 153 |
| Oak: | 136 |
| Sycamore: | 161 |

Headteachers Award:

Olivia Jollands, Beatriz Caldeira

Star Writer Certificates:

Cara Southern, Jude Hearn, Jack Southern, Jess Payne, Martha Coburn, Archie Grieve, Lewis Curtis

Star Mathematician Certificates:

Sofia Bates, Harry McCulloch, Amanda Stradere, Ryan Baggus-Page, Eleanor Drake, Lacey Baggus-Page, Jayden Ganiban, Dylan Walsh

Star Artiste Awards:

Emilia Montoya, Lachlan Greig, Tom Ratcliffe, Wolves class, Amelie Toomey

Attendance

Our attendance target is 97%.
For Week Ending 10th November 2017

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| Cubs | 100% |
| Pups | 100% |
| Wolves | 97.41% |
| Whole School | 99.14% |

For whole school year to date

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| Whole School | 96.44% |
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Curriculum news

Cubs Class

This week in the Cubs class, we have been thinking about Penguins. We have looked at the different species which live in Antarctica and begun our scale pictures of them. We have also been busy preparing and filming book reviews for some of our favourite books: 'Dogger,' by Shirley Hughes, 'We're Going on a Bear,' Hunt by Michael Rosen and 'Superworm,' by Julia Donaldson. In Literacy we have also drawn story maps for Lost and Found and completed an independent write based on this book. In maths, reception have continued to think about recognising and ordering numbers to 20 whilst year one and two have been solving problems involving more and less.

Pups Class

This week we have been planning, writing and presenting our book reviews to enter into the trust-wide competition which are looking fantastic! We have also begun looking at writing information texts and labelling the features we would expect to find in these. We have continued to develop our knowledge of column addition and subtraction and have looked at carrying into and borrowing from the tens. We have carried out research on Galileo in Science to began to draw comparisons with Sir Isaac Newton. We have designed our Christmas stockings for our textiles project and have had a go at some stitches to practice before we begin the real thing! We have also learnt to name some body parts in French.

Wolves Class

The Wolves had an amazing time at the Royal Albert Hall this week. Everyone sang fantastically and we had an amazing day. We would like to say a massive thank you to Mrs Roby for all of her effort towards the performance. We would not have been able to do so well without the support that she gave us throughout. As well as the epic day in London we have also been investigating soluble materials, creating computer games, African drumming and we've even started to practise for our class assembly on **Wednesday 22nd November**. The Fox class have been writing book reviews for the DRET competition. We picked a book from the reading list and then wrote an extended review about it. In maths we have been dividing using different methods. We have been learning about factors and we have used them to divide.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 20th November

Art Club 3.30-4.30pm
Construction Club 3.20-4.15pm
Performing Arts Club 3.20-4.15pm

Wednesday 22nd November

Freestyle Gymnastics 3.20-4.20pm
Wolves Class Assembly 9.00-9.30am

Thursday 23rd November

Movie Club 3.20-4.15pm
Sporting Club 3.20-4.15pm ***moved from a Wednesday***

Friday 24th November

Judo 3.20-4.15pm

School Messages

Pups National Space Centre Trip

Closing date for payment for this trip is Monday 27th November. If you haven't already paid and would like your child to attend, please pop payment in the post box or hand into the school office. Many thanks.

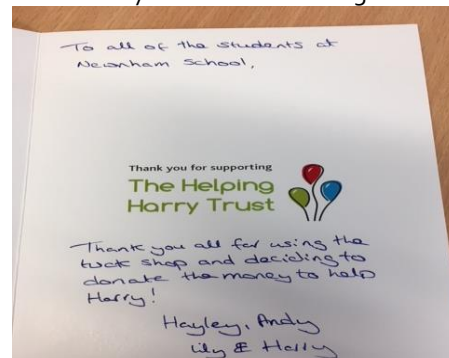
Dance Club

Would any parents like to volunteer to run a dance club for the children. If so, please contact the school office, thank you.



Charity Donation

Well done to The School Parliament for another charity donation with money raised from running their Tuck Shop.



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Term Dates for New Academic Year 2017 – 2018

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| 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 -

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| 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 -

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| Term 3 | Term Begins | Wednesday | 3 January 2018 |
| | Term Ends | Friday | 9 February 2018 |

- End of Term Break -

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| Term 4 | (Training Day | Monday | 19 February 2018) |
| | Term Begins | Tuesday | 20 February 2018 |
| | Term Ends | Thursday | 29 March 2018 |

- Easter Holidays -

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| 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 -

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| 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.



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Key dates for your diary 2017-2018

December

Friday 1st December- FoNS Mufti for hamper donations.

Monday 11th-Friday 15th December- Wolves class enterprise week

Friday 15th December -Whole school visit to the pantomime Sleeping Beauty in Leamington

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