

Quote of the week

Here comes the sun and I say,
'It's alright'. ☺
The Beatles



Book recommendation of the week

Miss Parker's favourite childhood book
Where The Wild Things Are – Maurice Sendak
The story of a little boy named Max. After his mother sends him to bed without dinner, Max falls asleep and his room immediately transforms into a moonlit forest surrounded by a **vast** ocean.

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Weekly Newsletter

Date: 20th April 2018

Headteacher's Message

Hello All,

What a lovely start back to the new term.

As you know my role changed over the break and in doing so it has enabled us to immediately improve the provision for KS2 SAT's prep. Our Yr 6 children are enjoying 3 afternoons of revision. I must point out that this is not the revision that I remember from school (nor indeed is it the revision that I -in my own unique manner- would deliver) but it is the wonderful and fun revision that Mrs Russell has created. The children are enthused and working very well.

I also really enjoyed the Pups performance on Thursday night. The children, sang, recited and danced amazingly well. I would also like to apologise to all of the adults who were forced into wimming and weying.

There is something about the sunshine, as I arrived at school today I was privileged and touched by the joyous greetings that I received from the children playing at lunch. WOW what outfits, the diverse and incredible range of countries and places represented. Hawaii, France, China, Australia and Japan all ran up and started shouting through the fence. It was lovely. Thank you all very much for supporting us with these events.

The new learning has started in all classes and the work your children created last term is now on public display in the corridors. As you come into school I would recommend taking a moment and looking at the displays, they really do show off what we and all achieve together.

As ever thank you for your support,
Sol Johnson

Awards and Achievements

Weekly House points

Birch:	53
Chestnut:	58
Oak:	73
Sycamore:	72

Star Writer Certificates:

Lacey Baggus-Page, Ella-Rose Lee, Lewis Smith,
Jacob Haynes

Star Mathematician Certificates:

Frank Todd, Olivia Jollands, Kian Yong,
Archie Grieve

Star Artiste Award:

Martha Coburn, Theo Roby, Rhys Worth, Charlie
Townsend

Headteacher's Award:

Pups Class, Katie Milligan

Attendance

Our attendance target is 97%.
For Week Ending 29th March 2018

Cubs	99.50%
Pups	98.39%
Wolves	93.97%
Whole School	97.21%

For whole school year to date

Whole School	95.92%
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Curriculum news

Cubs Class

This week in the Cubs class, we have been finding out and learning to recognise the key features of a medieval castle. In maths we have been using our knowledge of numbers to reason and solve problems involving hundred squares and the ordering of numbers. In PE we began developing our throwing and catching skills and the children also enjoyed their first taste of cricket and their dance session. During our music lesson, they all did really well in recognising the sounds that different instruments make and had some fantastic ideas for verses to 'she'll be coming round the mountain'. Year 1 and 2 have also begun their planting investigation, considering all the things they think a plant needs to grow well and devising investigations to see if they are correct.

Pups Class

This week on top of preparing for our performance the pups have learnt about ordering intervals of time and showing and reading the time to the nearest 5 minutes in maths, and even used roman numerals to do so! We have explored the features of a newspaper report in English and have planned and written our own about the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb. We have learnt the 'Deux petits oiseaux' in French, begun our 'Relationships' topic in PSHE, compared contrasting pieces of music using dance and movement and identified the islands in the British Isles in Geography.

Wolves Class

This week the Wolves have been introduced to our new topic of evolution. We've begun to study Charles Darwin and the children have created a mini fact file. We have also created pictures about the evolution of man. We've taken pictures and stuck them onto each image. In science we have explored habitats in the village in preparation for building our own habitats. Also this week the year 6's have been doing lots of SATs revision. The Fox class have been creating descriptive poetry and multiplying/ dividing amounts of money.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 23rd April

Football Club 3.20-4.15pm
Dance Club 3.20-4.15pm
Performing Arts Club 3.20-4.15pm

Tuesday 24th April

Art Club 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 25th April

Freestyle Gymnastics 3.20-4.20pm
Construction Club 3.20-4.15pm

Thursday 26th April

Movie Club 3.20-4.15pm
Dance Troupe Workshop – 3.20pm-4.00pm

Friday 27th April

Judo 3.20-4.15pm

School Messages

Afterschool Club

Rich is getting progressively busier and is at full capacity most days. If you are able to book in advance, we highly recommend you do so. You must book your child in directly with Rich, not through the school. We do not know availability therefore cannot book children in on your behalf.

Mr Mead's Club

Please note that Cross Country club has now finished and they have now started Football Club. This club is open to Year 1 upwards, providing there is space.

Cub's Enterprise Week

Thank you to everyone who sponsored the children for the various events. They all did superb and an amazing **£516.20** was raised!!! 😊

Music Lessons

Music lessons have now resumed, please ensure the children bring their instruments to school on the relevant days for their lessons.

FoNS

We would like to thank the Easter Bunny who took time out of his very busy schedule to stop by Newnham school to see the children and help with the Easter Quiz. A fantastic **£81** was raised.

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Term Dates for New Academic Year 2017 – 2018

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.



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Key dates for your diary 2018

April

April- FoNS School tea towel/bag.

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

After School Clubs

Monday	Dance Club – begins 15 th January * <u>limited spaces</u> * Cross Country Club (outdoor PE kit required) Performing Arts Club	Years 3+ Years 1-6 R, Years 1 & 2
Tuesday	Art Club (<i>outside provider – payment required</i>)	Years 2+
Wednesday	Gymnastics (<i>outside provider – payment required</i>) Construction Club	Year 1+ Years 2-6
Thursday	Movie Club	Years 2+
Friday	Judo (<i>outside provider – payment required</i>)	Years 1+