

Quote of the week

'Spring is the time of year where it is
summer in the sun and winter
in the shade'
Charles Dickens



Book recommendation of the week

Mrs Ettridge's favourite childhood book
Mrs Pepperpot Stories – Alf Proysen
Mrs Pepperpot, is a little old lady who lives in a cottage in the countryside with her husband, Mr Pepperpot. Mrs Pepperpot has a secret – she occasionally shrinks to the size of a pepperpot!

Newnham Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Date: 23rd March 2018

Headteacher's Message

Hello All,

Zoom, another blink and you'll miss it term has been and gone. I do find it tricky keeping up. Seems to me that it was Christmas only five minutes ago. But what a great term it was! Our Yr 3 & 4 children sang so well. Our KS2 children competed so ferociously at the Primary Cup. Our Year 2 children went swimming. And all the children have completed their Key Stage Tests.

Around a year ago, the School Parliament approached me about donating to charity and they also asked the school to purchase a particular item. We chatted about financial responsibility and how they needed to increase their independence. And so, the tuck shop was born and it continues to go from strength to strength. The children have donated amazing sums of money to so many worthy causes and just last week, I had the awesome task of going shopping for 'wet play' games which was their idea. Let's hope Spring actually arrives soon so there won't be much need for them just yet!

As ever thank you for your support,
Sol Johnson



Awards and Achievements

Weekly House points

Birch:	93
Chestnut:	84
Oak:	132
Sycamore:	123

Star Writer Certificates:

Tom Ratcliffe, Lewis Smith, Cara Southern

Star Mathematician Certificates:

Liam Hillidge, Eleanor Drake, Dragos Ciorascu,
Olivia Jollands

Star Artiste Award:

Harry McCulloch, Frank Todd, Millie Hall,
Amelie Toomey, Emma Ratcliffe, Sam McCulloch,
Connie Dolan, Summer Hallam, Olivia Johnston,
Lily Cooper, Eve Worthington

Headteacher's Award:

Oliver Matthews, Neve O'Connor

Attendance

Our attendance target is 97%.
For Week Ending 16th March 2018

Cubs	95.56%
Pups	99.28%
Wolves	95.24%
Whole School	96.83%

For whole school year to date

Whole School	95.98%
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Weekly Newsletter

Curriculum news

Cubs Class

This week in the Cubs class the children in Reception have been working really hard to develop their movement skills and work towards their Star 1 Movement award. Well done to all of you for your progress this week. In maths, the reception children have begun to think about halving and children in year 1 and 2 have focused on division, using objects and arrays to work out the answers. We worked together to learn and adapt a letter to Cinderella from her Wicked Stepmother. We worked as a whole class to create sections of music to play alongside the story of Jack and the Beanstalk, considering the mood of each section of the story and the instruments we could use to best convey these.

Pups Class

This week we have continued to focus on our shape poems based on The Pheasant, using metaphors and adverbs to make them even more wonderful. We have looked at more features of 2D shapes including parallel and perpendicular lines and acute, obtuse and right angles. We have also started to look at fractions of shapes and quantities. In Science we have moved on from rainforest habitats to meadows. We have learnt about Roald Amundsen and his expedition to the South Pole in Geography and about Queen Boudicca's rebellion against the Roman Army in History. We learnt about the events that lead up to Jesus' arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane in RE and wrote diary entries in the persona of Judas, thinking about how he felt before and afterwards. DRET Music Festival rehearsals have been continuing and the Year 3s and 4s have been to Falconer's hill for a cluster rehearsal, in which they sang very well indeed!

Wolves Class

This week the Wolves have been finishing some of our work on Mexico. We got a chance to show our shadow puppet performances to the rest of the class. Also we had popcorn and snacks at our Mexican documentary premiers. In history we compared the Aztecs to other ancient civilisations and we debated the importance of sleep. In PE we had a dance lesson that we all really enjoyed. Everyone enjoyed it and there has been a lot of interest a Newnham dance troop.

The Fox class have been focusing on grammar and we've done a lot of work on word classes, noun phrases and subordinate clauses. In maths we have been learning about column method for addition and subtraction. We've also started to multiply using written methods.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 27th March

DRET Music Festival (Derngate) 6pm

Wednesday 28th March

Freestyle Gymnastics 3.20-4.20pm

Thursday 29th March

No Movie Club

FoNS Easter Quiz 3.20pm

Last day of term

There will be no school run clubs running this week and they will all resume after the Easter Break.

School Messages

School Group/Class Photographs

The whole school photo and Class group photo proofs have been sent home with the children today. The whole school photo is in the office should you wish to view and purchase one. All orders MUST be in to the office by **Monday 16th April**.

Newsletters

Newsletters are uploaded onto our website every week under the heading News, should you ever wish to view them there.

Music Tuition

Mrs Cliffe will be providing a catch up session on Wednesday afternoon (28th) if all children who participate can please bring in their violins. Thank you.

FoNS

Thursday 29th March is the annual FoNS Easter quiz, this will run after school with some fab prizes to be won. And remember, the Easter Bunny will be joining in the fun too!



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Term Dates for New Academic Year 2017 – 2018

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.



Key dates for your diary 2018

March

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

Monday 26th March- Termly report out to parents

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

Thursday 29th March- FoNS Easter Egg Hunt

April

Thursday 19th April - Pups class production at 14:00 and 18:00

April- FoNS School tea towel/bag.

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

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+