



Book recommendation of the week.

Alastair Humphreys' Great Adventurers (age 8-9)

An inspiring introduction to 20 adventurers and explorers from the last 700 years, all of whom inspired the author to go adventuring himself, including four years cycling around the world.

This book will encourage readers to live more adventurously, think a little more boldly and go a little further themselves.

Newnham Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Date: 26th April 2019

Headteacher's Message

Hello All,

I hope you have all had the most wonderful Easter break with your families.

As I am sure you all know, time is a funny thing, whizzing by when you least expect it to. All of a sudden we are in the Summer term.

This is mainly the term for performances. Mr Mead is already eyeing the end of year KS2 performance, which I am sure will be amazing. We will also be taking part in a dance festival and I have committed the school to take part in an operatic recital too. So, it will be a busy, dancey and singy term.

In addition, this is the term that we enjoy most visits, with the weather turning warmer it is great to get out there into the wider world and do some learning away from our gorgeous school.

Sporting wise, we are gearing up for the Summer Cup and Mrs Gaffney is already coaching children in the zen art of hockey. But before that, we have the Netball finals to compete in. Lots of positive thought waves for that please. It is a massive achievement to make the top 4 out of 22 when we remember that some of the schools have over 400 pupils.

There is so much to look forward to this term and I hope to see as many of you as possible at the performances, sports day and other events planned.

As ever, thank you all for your support,
Sol Johnson.

Awards and Achievements

Weekly House points

Birch:	76
Chestnut:	51
Oak:	67
Sycamore:	57

Star Writer:

Summer, Willow, Benjamin, Amelie,
Jacob R, Alice, Charlotte

Star Mathematician:

Marley, Neve, Eleanor, Jayden,
Lily Ch, Charlotte

Star Artiste:

Noah, Dylan

Headteacher's Award:

William M, Frank, Braiden

Attendance

Our attendance target is 97%.

For Week Ending 5th April 2019

Whole School	94.59%
Ladybirds	93.48%
Foxes	98%
Hares	92.50%
Otters	93.85%

For whole school year to date

Whole School	96.42%
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Curriculum news

Ladybirds Class

This week in the Ladybirds the Y1 children have been using subsets and intersections in Venn diagrams to sort numbers and shapes whilst reception have been focusing on the properties of 2D shapes and how to describe them. In Literacy, we went on a virtual tour around London finding out about: Trafalgar Square, London Zoo, the underground, The London Eye, Tower Bridge, Big Ben and Kensington Palace. This all part of the launch for our new story: The Queen's Hat. In science, we discovered what we knew (and thought we knew!) about plants and growth and in PE we worked hard to develop our accuracy in throwing.

Foxes Class

This week the children returned from the holidays fresh and ready to embark on their new learning units! In English they wrote a transformational tale and took part in a class talent show as a creative hook for their new T4W unit. In Maths we revisited place value. The children started their new history unit; Ancient Greece and Science unit; electricity! We are looking forward to learning more this term!

Hares Class

This week Hares have begun their new literacy unit and we have been creating monsters as well as beginning to learn the story of Beowulf. In history we have learnt about how Henry the 7th came to power and that marriage wasn't always for love. In PE the class have been developing their hockey skills and continuing to build confidence in dance.

Otters Class

This week we have been preparing for the SATs. We have been revising a number of grammatical topics such as subordinating and coordinating conjunctions and different tense types. We have also focused on a number of areas of reading. We have answered questions and then reviewed them as a class. In math, we have been answering arithmetic questions and we've also been revising area and perimeter.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 29th April

Performing Arts Club 3.20pm
Dance Club 3.20pm

Tuesday 30th April

Art Club 3.20pm
Bikeability Yrs 3/4
Yrs 3/4 Quiksticks Competition @ Parker E-ACT 4pm

Wednesday 1st May

Hockey Club 3.20pm
Construction Club 3.20pm
Atomic Science Club 3.20pm

Thursday 2nd May

SAT's Club 3.20pm

Friday 3rd May

Judo 3.20pm

School Messages

Bikeability

Bikeability for Years 3 and 4 is next **Tuesday 30th April**. A pre-training checklist was sent home this week, please ensure you have checked your child's bike and helmet against this. **And don't forget to bring their bike and helmet to school next Tuesday.**

Recycling

We would like to get more involved in recycling here at school and are kindly asking if any of you would like to volunteer in coordinating this please?

Absence through sickness

If your child is ill, we ask that you notify the school office on the first day of absence as early as possible and each following day of absence.

Morning register is at 8.55am. Registers remain open for 30 minutes. Any pupil arriving after 9.25am will be marked as having an unauthorised absence unless the school has been notified of an acceptable reason.

If your child is ill for a second day, then you will need to contact us again. If you know your child will be absent for several days, let us know and no further calls will be needed unless the illness continues beyond the period given.

FoNS

Watch this space for details regarding our forthcoming Summer Event.

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Term Dates for Academic Year 2018 – 2019

Term 5	School Closed – Mayday Term Ends	Monday Friday	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.

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Key dates for your diary 2018-2019

April

Tuesday 30th April – Bikeability for Y3 and Y4

May

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

Thursday 16th May - Ladybird's Class Assembly 14.45

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

June

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

Monday 10th- Friday 14th June – Ladybird's Enterprise Week

July

Monday 1st – Thursday 4th July – Year 6 Bikeability

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+ Years R & 1
Tuesday	Art Club (<i>outside provider – payment required</i>)	Years 2+
Wednesday	Construction Club Hockey Club Atomic Science Club (<i>outside provider – payment required</i>)	Years 2 & 3 Years 4, 5, 6 Years 1+
Thursday	SAT's Club	Year 6
Friday	Judo (<i>outside provider – payment required</i>)	Years 1+