

Quote of the week

'I am always doing that which I cannot do, in order that I may learn how to do it'
Pablo Picasso



Book recommendation of the week

Mrs Russell's favourite book for grown-ups.

The Thorn Birds – Colleen McCullough

The best selling book in Australian history. Powered by the dreams and struggles of three generations, *The Thorn Birds* is the epic saga of a family rooted in the Australian sheep country.

Newnham Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Date: 27th April 2018

Headteacher's Message

Hello All,

I hope you have all had a great week and enjoyed the exceptional weather last weekend. It was glorious. Finally the playground is clear of the debris from the Andy Goldsworthy work.



It looked amazing when the pieces of art were created but after 80-odd pairs of feet played on them it didn't look quite so lovely.



Overall, the Earth Day was a fabulous success and I know the children got a lot from it. Thank you all for supporting it with the Mufti and thanks to the staff for thinking of such lovely activities for the children to teach the importance of environmental sustainability. As you are aware, Monday was St George's Day, and in school it was marked by a wonderful assembly delivered by Mr Mead.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you all that @NewnhamPrimary is now on Instagram and Twitter. Social media can be a wonderful means of sharing and promoting positive features of our school so please sign up and help us to project our loveliness outwards.

As ever thank you for your support,
Sol Johnson

Awards and Achievements

Weekly House points

Birch:	97
Chestnut:	100
Oak:	106
Sycamore:	109

Star Writer Certificates:

Sofia Bates, Lewis Johnston, Jude Toomey,
Theo Roby, Emma Ratcliffe

Star Mathematician Certificates:

Josh Haynes, Oli Hillidge, Willow Worthington,
Kian Yong, Daisy Boniface

Star Artiste Award:

Jessica Charlton, Millie Hall, Caitlin Bushell,
Olivia Johnston

Headteacher's Award:

Amelie Baker, Woody Wilson, Charlie Townsend,
Rhys Worth

Attendance

Our attendance target is 97%.
For Week Ending 20th April 2018

Cubs	94.40%
Pups	95.16%
Wolves	96.90%
Whole School	95.53%

For whole school year to date

Whole School	95.90%
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Curriculum news

Cubs Class

This week in the Cubs class, we have been busy thinking about castle defences. We have learnt an information text, mapping it out and practising saying it aloud with actions. In maths we have been continuing to think about place value: making and ordering numbers. In PE we thought about developing our accuracy in throwing, sliding bean bags and rolling balls. In music we listened to some of the Nutcracker and reflected on it before singing London Bridge and coming up with our own verses. Our favourite was to build it up with Chocolate Bars. The problem was that the chocolate bars would 'break away'! We have also now said goodbye to the chick (who is not so much of a chick anymore). Thanks very much to Jo Burrows for sharing him/her with us.

Pups Class

This week the children have been writing newspaper articles about the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb and poems about wild animals. We have been looking at measuring, comparing, adding and subtracting measurements in maths as well as a problem solving task where we had to think logically and mathematically. We have been talking about uses of technology outside of school in ICT and uses of electricity in Science. We have been learning about Allah in RE and what Allah means to Muslims. We have recapped greetings and saying our name in French and asking the name of others. We have learnt about many islands that make up the British Isles in Geography.

Wolves Class

This week in the Wolves' class we have been continuing work on evolution. The children have designed their own zoos by classifying animals into different groups. In ICT, we have been taking and editing photographs using the theme of man vs nature. In art, we have created graffiti walls and looked at the work of Banksy. We have also been estimating size and designing our own miniature models of the village. In the Fox class we have been using similes, metaphors and personification when writing poetry. With the power of augmented reality we even had a visit from some Star Wars characters to the classroom. In maths we have been dividing amounts of money and we have even created some math stories about money.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 30th April

Football Club 3.20-4.15pm
Dance Club 3.20-4.15pm *running as normal today*
*****NO Performing Arts Club today** ***
Cubs trip to Warwick Castle 9.30-4.30pm

Tuesday 1st May

Art Club 3.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 2nd May

Freestyle Gymnastics 3.20-4.20pm
Construction Club 3.20-4.15pm
CSalt Bible Assembly 10.30am
Rugby Festival – 1-3pm – Long Buckby RFC

Thursday 3rd May

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

Friday 4th May

Judo 3.20-4.15pm

School Messages

Freestyle After School Club

This after school club runs on Wednesday's 3.20-4.20pm, it will be evolving to now include multi-sports as well as gymnastics and will also be opened up to Reception and Year 1 all the way through to Year 6. Letters with further information will be sent out towards the end of next week. ***Please note: This club is run by an outside provider so is chargeable.*

School Uniform

We are slowly building up a collection of uniform in the office which we are unable to reunite with their owners as unfortunately, they are not labelled. We kindly ask if all uniform can be clearly labelled so it can be returned promptly. Thank you ☺

Music Lessons

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

Monday - Brass

Friday - Strings

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Term Dates for New Academic Year 2017 – 2018

Term 5	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

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 Football 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 & Multi-sports (<i>outside provider – payment required</i>) Construction Club	Year R+ Years 2-6
Thursday	Movie Club	Years 2+
Friday	Judo (<i>outside provider – payment required</i>)	Years 1+