

The only time you run out of chances is when you stop taking them.



River Boy – Tim Bowler. A modern classic for advanced readers. An elderly man is dying and he refuses to go to hospital. He simply must finish his last painting. This time slip story challenges thinking through the relationship between a grandfather and his granddaughter.

Newnham Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Date: 28th April 2017

Headteacher's Message

Hello All,
Thank you all who managed to attend last night's parents' evening. It was great to see so many of you. I know there are also a smattering of appointments over the next few days too. It was a lovely chance for me to reflect on how far the school has developed in recent times. This is due to the hard work and diligence of the staff here so I would like to take the opportunity to, very publicly, thank them all again.

As most of you are aware the summer house is being further developed and the infrastructure is now in place for the mud kitchen. If any of you are intending to renew kitchen utensils, pots, pans, baking trays etc etc please could you let us have the old ones.

I am excited to announce that next week the celebration assembly will be on Thursday. This is due to a visit to the school on **FRIDAY 5TH MAY** from Chris Heaton-Harris MP. He will be delivering an assembly at 9.00am, that I would like to invite parents to. Bearing in mind the impending election this is really great timing as, quite obviously, the results will affect us all.

It is important to note that Chris will **not** be talking about politics. He will be speaking about parliamentary life and the history and traditions in the Houses. He will also be chatting with our School Parliament after the assembly. I have been in communication with Chris's office and this is a wonderful opportunity for the children to learn a little about the history of politics in this country and what a life in public service is like.

I hope you all have a wonderful long weekend.
Sol Johnson

Awards and Achievements

House points

Birch:	120
Chestnut:	149
Sycamore	141
Oak:	182

Attendance Award: Otters

Headteachers Award: Fearné Badger, Shayne Hadaway, Freddie Castagna and Oscar Searle.

Star Writer Certificates: Benjamin Tarbox, Amelie Baker, Chloe Dean, Oliver Matthews, Katie Milligan and Emelia Fowler.

Mathematician Certificates: Jessica Charlton, Luke Milligan, Lewis Smith, Kye Brookes and Thomas Jebson.

House Points Certificates:

Birch – Freddie Castagna, Oscar Searle and Jacob Roby,

Oak – Emelia Fowler, Kye Brookes, Jack McCulloch, Jude Toomey, Olivia Denney, Amelie Baker, Benjamin Tarbox, Jacob Wilcox and Maria Gayton.

Sycamore – Kian Yong, Olivia Johnston, Emilia Montoya and Jacob Haynes.

Chestnut – Jessica Payne, Kayla Day, Lily Clare, Jude Hearne, Jack Davis and Harrison Gardner-Bates.

Attendance

Our attendance target is 97%.

For Week Ending 21st April 2017

Ladybirds & Frogs	98.4%
Otters	100%
Foxes	98.7%
Owls	95.5%
Whole School	97.9%

For whole school year to 21st April 2017

Ladybirds & Frogs	97.3%
Otters	97.0%
Foxes	95.9%
Owls	97.1%
Whole School	96.0%

Community - Aspiration - Achievement



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Weekly Newsletter

Curriculum news EYFS/KS1

EYFS/Year One

In Literacy we have been doing information writing.
In Maths we have been making 100s, 10s and units with Deans cubes.
We planted bean seeds, had a visit from ducklings only 4 days old and the children really enjoyed holding them.
We await some eggs to hatch. Thank you to Miss Burrows for bringing them in.

Year Two

This week in Otters we have been very busy preparing for our KS1 tests, and the children have shown such resilience and perseverance throughout! We have also learnt about using combinations of coins to make a given amount and have started to learn about colouring fractions of a shape. We have also continued our story about Jack, Jenny and the magic door. We have talked about what we know about melting, freezing and boiling materials and the difference between solids, gases and liquids and have carried out research into the lives of Rosa Parks and Emily Davison! It has been a *very* busy week!!

Curriculum news KS2

Years 3 and 4

This week year 3/4 have continued work on the Wild West. Our literacy work has been based around the animated film Rango and the children have loved writing about the good and bad characters from the film. In maths we have been learning about 2D shapes and we finished the week by designing a Wild West town. We have also been learning about plants, film trailers and batting and fielding skills down the field.

Years 5 and 6

This week we have been full steam ahead with the 6's as we prepare for the SATS. We have been developing our mathematical reasoning and improving our grammatical fluency. The Year 5's have been learning their new narrative text map, whilst in Maths we have been multiplying and dividing with excellence.

Afterschool Clubs

Miss Parker and Mr Johnson are starting an afterschool **Movie Club** on Wednesdays. This will start on the 3rd May 3.20-4.15pm.

Mr Burnapp and Mr Mead are starting an afterschool **Athletics Club** on Thursdays starting 4th May 3.20-4.15pm.

School Messages

We are once again collecting the **Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers**. A collecting box is located in the school office reception area. Please could you ask your family, friends and neighbours to collect them for us too? Many thanks.

Parents should have received the **School Photographs** they ordered by now – please check that you have received the correct photo inside the tube. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 1st May

Bank holiday – School closed.

Tuesday 2nd May

School open

Wednesday 3rd May

Movie Club with Miss Parker and Mr Johnson 3.30-4.15pm

Thursday 4th May

Celebration Assembly (see Mr Johnson's message)

Athletics Club with Mr Mead and Mr Burnapp 3.30-4.15pm

Friday 5th May

Special Assembly with Chris Heaton-Harris MP. Parents are invited (see Mr Johnson's message)

Strings Sessions

No Judo

Monday 8th May

KS2 SATS

Art Club 3.20-4.30pm

Brass Sessions

Tuesday 9th May

KS2 SATS

Wednesday 10th May

KS2 SATS

Freestyle Soccer – Lunchtime

Movie Club with Miss Parker and Mr Johnson 3.30-4.15pm

Thursday 11th May

KS2 SATS

Athletics Club with Mr Mead and Mr Burnapp 3.30-4.15pm

Friday 12th May

Strings Sessions

Judo

FoNS

Members – Every Parent/Carer is a Friend of Newnham School. If you are interested in helping in any way at a FoNS event or to get more involved with FoNS, please speak with Helen Coburn (Martha's Mum) or Clare Sherwood (Benjamin's Mum).

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School Clubs

School Clubs continue until week ending Friday 21st July unless marked. If for any reason a club is cancelled we will advise you on the newsletter or by email/text.

Clubs Terms 3 & 4	7:30-8:45 Every day of term	12.30 – 13.00	15.20 – 16.15	15:20-18:00 Every day of term
Monday	Daventry Rangers Breakfast Club	Homework Club - 12:30	Art Club – Mrs Gardener* 3.30 – 4.30pm	Daventry Rangers Afterschool Club
Tuesday	Daventry Rangers Breakfast Club			Daventry Rangers Afterschool Club
Wednesday	Daventry Rangers Breakfast Club	Freestyle*	Movie Club – Miss Parker and Mr Johnson	Daventry Rangers Afterschool Club
Thursday	Daventry Rangers Breakfast Club		Athletics – Mr Mead and Mr Burnapp	Daventry Rangers Afterschool Club
Friday	Daventry Rangers Breakfast Club	Maths Club - Mr Burnapp. Yr 6 only	Judo* 3.30- 4:30pm	Daventry Rangers Afterschool Club

*Outside providers

For more details about Daventry Rangers before and after school club, please see their website: www.davrangers.wix.com/sport and click on the link at the top of the home page to see Newnham Rangers.

Term Dates 2016-2017

	School Closed – Mayday	Monday	1 May 2017
	Term Ends	Friday	26 May 2017
		- End of Term Break -	
Term 6	Term Begins	Monday	5 June 2017
	Term Ends	Friday	21 July 2017

The usual finish time of 3.20pm will apply at term ends.
All dates are inclusive.



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Term Dates for New Academic Year 2017 – 2018

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 -			
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 -			
Term 3	Term Begins	Wednesday	3 January 2018
	Term Ends	Friday	9 February 2018
- End of Term Break -			
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.