

'You can't have a better tomorrow, if you are still thinking about yesterday.' – Charles Kettering



Hug – Jez Alborough
How can it be that a book with only one word-- *hug*--repeated throughout, can be so good? The proof is in the pudding (or the wilds of Africa) in Jez Alborough's picture book. A gorgeous book to share with younger readers.

Newnham Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Date: 31st March 2017

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 5 children sang so well. Our KS2 children competed so ferociously at the Winter Cup. Our KS1 children went swimming. We all celebrated World Book Day. Our Yr 2 and Yr 6 children are nearer to their end of Key Stage Tests and they are increasing in readiness.
During this term our School Parliament approached me to ask for us to donate to a charity. They also asked the school to purchase a particular item. We chatted about financial responsibility and how they needed to increase their independence. The tuck shop was born.
As I have stated in a previous newsletter I am often unsure of my own opinion (SAT's testing). This was another example of 'wait and see'. I understood all the reservations, but it was a group of children who were willing to give up break times and they wanted to raise a bit for charity and have some means to improve the school themselves. I am so pleased to say that they now have an account with the handsome sum of £76 in it and across the school they will (with a little guidance) make decisions on where and what will be bought with it. They have also raised £76 for Cancer Research. Totally amazing. I am so impressed by their efforts, diligence and commitment to this.
I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you the happiest of Easters and I hope you all find time to relax and enjoy the glorious springtime we are having.
As ever, thank you all.
Sol Johnson

Awards and Achievements

House points

Birch:	66
Chestnut:	76
Oak:	90
Sycamore:	62

Attendance Award: Owls

Headteachers Award: Daisy Boniface, Emilia Montoya, Charlie Townsend and Otter Class

Star Writer Certificates: Jacob Haynes, Sofia Bates, Luke Milligan, Liam Hillidge, Maria Gayton, Katie Milligan and Freddie Castagna.

Mathematician Certificates: Martha Coburn and Emie Madden

Swimming Certificates: Otters and Frogs Classes.

House Points Certificates:

Birch – Benjamin Sherwood and Lacey Baggus-Page.

Sycamore – Harry McCulloch, Summer Hallam and Gabriel Hakeem.

Chestnut - Jessica Charlton, Luke Worth, Oli Hillidge and Callum Sutherland.

Attendance

Our attendance target is 97%.

For Week Ending 24th March 2017

Ladybirds & Frogs	98.1%
Otters	95.0%
Foxes	97.5%
Owls	99.1%
Whole School	97.7%

For whole school year to 24th March 2017

Ladybirds & Frogs	97.3%
Otters	97.1%
Foxes	95.8%
Owls	97.2%
Whole School	96.8%

Community - Aspiration - Achievement



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Curriculum news EYFS/KS1

EYFS/Year One

In Literacy we looked at riddles and rhyming words and we made rhyming clues for our Easter egg hunt.

In Maths we have been looking at multiplication and deciding (sharing).

We are also planting a wild flower garden and have looked at the Easter story.

Year Two

We have had another busy week in Otters class. In English we have written a narrative text based on the experiences of Florence Nightingale, who we have studied in History.

We have included lots of amazing adjectives to describe the state of the hospital in Scutari when Florence and her nurses arrived – grotesque, disgusting and smelly – and to describe what it was like after the nurses had cleaned – hygienic, sparkling and clean! We have been counting forwards and backwards in twos, fives and threes in maths, even beyond 100! We really enjoyed planting herbs in our flower bed on Thursday too.

Curriculum news KS2

Years 3 and 4

In literacy this week the children have been finishing persuasive texts about climate change. In maths we have been creating and solving multiplication problems and in science we have been investigating lightning and learning about different clouds. Early on in the week we even had a 'healthy and active lifestyle' workshop which we all thoroughly enjoyed. We have really loved our Wild Weather topic this term and the wild theme will continue next term as we learn about the Wild West. Yee haaa!

Years 5 and 6

This week in Year 5 and 6 we have separated in preparation for the SATS. Year 6 have been working on their exam technique and also discovering the joys of algebra along with ratio and proportion. Year 5's have been looking at poetry in Literacy and composing their own haiku's. In Maths, students have been digging into visual representations of data, such as pie charts and line graphs.

Afterschool Sports Clubs

Mr Burnapp and Mr Mead will start an afterschool **Athletics Club** next term. The first one will be on Thursday 27th April, then each Thursday 3.20-4.15pm.

School Messages

Children received the new **Chartwells** 'Food Super Heroes' menu for Summer Term. Bookings need to be made via **ParentPay by Tuesday 11th April** (during the school holiday) ready for back to school on Wednesday 19th April.

Strings Tuition has now finished for this term and will re-start on Friday 21st April. This will include those children in Years 3/4 who would like to continue after the successful String Project.

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.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 18th April

Training Day

Wednesday 19th April

School re-opens for children
Freestyle Soccer – Lunchtime
No After School Clubs

Thursday 20th April

No After School Clubs

Friday 21st April

Strings Sessions Catch up
Judo

Monday 24th April

Art Club 3.20-4.30pm – Starts for the new term
Brass Sessions

Tuesday 25th April

Wednesday 26th April

Freestyle Soccer – Lunchtime
No Football Club

Thursday 27th April

No Netball Club

Friday 28th April

Strings Sessions
Judo

Monday 1st May

Bank holiday – School closed.

Tuesday 2nd May

School open

FoNS

Easter Egg Hunt - Friday 31st March after school with Raffle and 'Made by Newnham' Sale and a visit from the Easter Bunny.

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).

The next FoNS meeting is 7.45pm, Wednesday 26th April at the Queen of Hearts in Daventry. Everyone welcome.

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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- 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*		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

Term 4	Term Ends	Friday	31 March 2017
		- Easter Holidays -	
Term 5	(Training Day	Tuesday	18 April 2017)
	Term Begins	Wednesday	19 April 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

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All dates are inclusive.

Training days are unconfirmed and may be subject to change.