

Newnham Junior School



14th June 2024

Dear Parents & Carers

It has been another exciting week at the school and the children continue to thrive and progress. There have been two successful sports events and many of the children are preparing for their summer music concert.

Athletics – On Monday 25 children from Year 5 and 6 represented the school in various athletic events. Despite the chilly June weather, it was a fantastic event where everyone enjoyed themselves and many excelled. The sprints and relays were particularly competitive and every child tried their best. Newnham came 3rd overall and I'm sure all of the children appreciated the time Mrs Nuth put in to training them.

Cricket – Following on from last week's Girls' Cricket the boys attended their tournament on Wednesday, determined to equal their success. We had 3 teams entered, showing how cricket has really taken off at the school. The C team enjoyed their day and improved in every match. The B team progressed through the group stage, and won a very tense quarter final against Breakspear. The A team also topped their group and beat Oak Farm in the quarter final, scoring 103 runs in 8 overs. The teams met in the semi-final which was a very close affair with the A team narrowly edging it. The A team moved on to win the final, meaning that as Borough champions they join the girls at the London Youth Games next week. All the boys have worked really hard this year in developing their cricket skills and it has really paid off. It is quite an achievement to have a 1st and 3rd placed team at a borough final.

C team football – On the same day as the cricket a number of boys attended at tournament at Harlyn School for Year 6 children who do not play football at a grass roots. We also took a few children to referee. This was a fantastic event and all of the children were proud to represent the school. They thoroughly enjoyed themselves and Mr Kent was very impressed with their skill level.

Uniform – If you need to order uniform from Mapac for the Autumn term ***we have been advised by Mapac that to guarantee delivery for the Autumn term you need to place an order by 28th June.*** Please note that the tie, PE t-shirt and hoodie are the only items that need to be purchased from this site. All other items can still be bought from supermarkets and chain stores. Just click on the following link to place an order:
<https://www.mapac.com/education/parents/uniform/newnhamjrha49rw>

Art's Week - Next week all year groups will be creating works of art inspired by different cultures for Art's Week and they are as follows: Year 3 will be looking at Islamic Art; Year 4 Indian Art; Year 5 African Art and Year 6 Aboriginal Art. Year 4 children have been shown images and have researched images to inspire them. We would like them to bring any unwanted beads, shoe boxes, wool, sequins or any items that the children think would be useful to use that you may have at home, at the beginning of next week. Please do not buy anything.

Food Waste Update - Please remember to only book a lunch if your child is going to eat it and to cancel the meal if your child is off school. You can cancel at The Pantry up to 9am each morning.

Eco-Team Food Waste Update	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
Junior meals ordered but not served	32	41

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Car Boot Sale - In preparation for our Car Boot Sale in aid of Omushana on **Friday 28th June**, some children, who have expressed an interest, have been asked if they would create finger knitting to create friendship bracelets and badges to sell on the day. Mrs Castle has provided wool and held a short tutorial today but below is a link to a short video that can help remind children of the process.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=enqMF24Lh_k If you have wool scraps at home, children are welcome to use those as well. Children need to return their lengths of finger knitting to school **next Friday 21st of June** so that Mrs Castle can turn them into bracelets and badges in time for the Boot Sale. Don't forget other items that can be sold include:

- Homemade arts and crafts - bracelets, necklaces, badges, painted stones, cards etc
- Pre-loved or new small toys that are in good condition
- Board games - no pieces missing
- Fidget spinners (or similar) that are in great condition
- Books that are in excellent condition and are age appropriate
- Sports equipment (table tennis bats and balls)
- Art equipment/stationery

Term Dates - Please see below and further details will follow in due course. Any new items are shown in bold print

DATE	YEAR/CLASS/GROUP	DETAILS	TIME
JUNE			
Sunday 16 th	All	Payment deadline for FONJSA Family Fun Night	
Tuesday 18 th	6R & 6KN	Battle of Britain Bunker	
Wednesday 19 th	5 & 6	London Youth Games Cricket	
Friday 21 st	All	FONJSA Family Fun Night	6 - 9pm
Tuesday 25 th	3 All 4	Pedestrian training at school Music for a Summer's Evening Payment deadline for Whipsnade trip	6.30 – 8pm
Wednesday 26 th	3 & 4 5 & 6	Lower School Sports Morning Upper School Sports Afternoon	10 – 12.15pm 1 - 3.15pm
Friday 28 th	All	Car Boot Sale	
JULY			
Tuesday 2 nd	6	Hillingdon Secondary schools transition day	All day
Wednesday 3 rd	4 5	Visit to Whipsnade Consent deadline for Manor Farm visit	
Friday 5 th	3	Greek Day	
Monday 8 th	All	End of term reports issued	
Wednesday 10 th	5 All	Manor Farm visit Exhibition Evening	
Thursday 11 th	5	Payment deadline for Woburn Trip	
Monday 15 th	5 6	Trip to Woburn Safari Park Production rehearsals Winston Churchill Hall	All day
Tuesday 16 th	5BC	Last swimming lesson	
Wednesday 17 th	6	Production rehearsals - Winston Churchill Hall	All day
Thursday 18 th	6 6	Production rehearsals - Winston Churchill Hall Performance at Winston Churchill Hall	All day 6.30pm
Friday 19 th	3 & 4 5 & 6	FONJSA End of Term Disco	Finishes at 5pm 5.30 - 7pm
Tuesday 23 rd	6 All	Leavers BBQ School finishes for the Summer holidays	12 noon 1.30pm

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Wednesday 24 th		Training Day - school closed	
SEPTEMBER			
Monday 2 nd		Training Day - school closed	
Tuesday 3 rd		Training Day - school closed	
Wednesday 4 th	All	School starts	8.45am

Household Support Fund - Hillingdon Council – The free school meal program is funded by the Household Support Grant and the current grant was extended from April - September 2024 meaning that they can continue to support those families with children attending a Hillingdon School, who are in receipt of benefit related free school meals during the six weeks school summer holiday 2024 with food vouchers. The school summer holiday vouchers will be issued in two payments, the first payment will be emailed week commencing 22nd July and will cover the first 3 weeks, the second payment will be emailed week commencing 12th August covering the last 3 weeks. All children in receipt of benefit related free school meal as of 9th July will be eligible for the school summer holiday food vouchers. **This will be the final payment from the current Household Support Grant there are no further payments scheduled after the school summer holidays 2024.** Please find below the link to the Household Support website for your information.

[Household Support Fund - Hillingdon Council](#)

FONJSA news

Family Fun Night – Can I remind you that the payment deadline is on Sunday 16th June. Thank you to everyone who brought a donation in yesterday. Any further donations can be brought to the school office.



Raffle – As mentioned last week, if any parents/carers work for companies or own businesses that could offer/sponsor a raffle prize please could they email FONJSA. FONJSA are also looking for anyone with for a company that could match fund. Please email fonjsa@gmail.com.

Volunteers - Please consider volunteering on the night as these events can't run without you. Either contact your class rep via the what's app group if you are able or email fonjsa@gmail.com. All volunteers are required to have a ticket.

Community News – details on our website

- **Mr Mullens HIIT work out sessions** – running every Thursday at the school (see flyer for details)
- **Goals** - Street 2 Pro training sessions.
- **Eastcote library** have started a new Comic Club suitable for children aged 7 and older, on Tuesdays 4-5pm.
- **Summer Reading Challenge** encourages children to keep reading during the school summer holidays. Full details are on our website or available from Eastcote Library.
- **The Mayors Picnic in the Park** - This free entertainment event for all residents is being held on Saturday 29th June at Barra Hall Park. [The Mayor's Picnic in the Park - Discover Hillingdon](#)

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Summer holiday activities

- Summer Holiday club, run annually at Ruislip Baptist Church for years 3 - 6.
- Get Set 4 Tennis – details on our website
- PSD Funweeks at Newnham – details on our website

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

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