

Newnham Junior School



24th May 2024

Dear Parents & Carers

I hope you are well. It has been another fantastic week at the school. Many of the Year 6 children have been on their residential journey in Devon and the pictures on the website show that they have really enjoyed themselves. The other Year 6 children have had days out to the Houses of Parliament, a canal trip and a visit to London Zoo. The children in Year 3 to 5 have been making the most of the extra space at school and have been continuing to learn and make progress.

Walk to School Week - To mark national Walk To School Week, all our pupils went on a walk outside the school grounds. We covered over one mile around the local area and children enjoyed walking and talking with one another whilst also focussing on elements of our local environment. They recognised the positive social and physical aspects of walking and many said they wished we could walk for longer!



Music Mark – We are proud to announce that we have been awarded the Music Mark for 2023 – 2024. As I know you are all aware that Mrs Wood does a fabulous job in giving the children of Newnham amazing opportunities to participate in musical activities and clubs. This mark is recognition of the opportunities your children get.

Eco Update - Newnham Juniors have also been awarded the **Eco Schools Green Flag with Distinction**. This was awarded in recognition of how aware we are of environmental issues and how committed we are to creating positive change. The assessors felt sure that we had spearheaded change within our school, homes and thought about the wider community! Thank you Mrs Shah, for working so hard to achieve this award.

Lost Property – Please check your child's hoodie over half term as they may have taken another child's hoodie home by mistake. There are also many unnamed coats, jumpers and cardigans in our lost property box.

Clubs Working Party – As previously mentioned, if you would like to be part of our parents & carers working party to look at our extra-curricular clubs, please email office@mail.newnhamjun.org.uk. The next meeting will take place on Friday 7th June at 8.45am.

Lower School Sports day – please note the timings have changed to 10am to 12.15pm.

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	36	27

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Car Boot Sale – After last year’s success, we have decided to hold another sale after half term with an added focus of recycling and reusing. This will be a great opportunity to give pre-loved items a new home whilst raising money for our school charity, **Omushama**. The format will be the same where children can purchase tokens and sell up to 5 items. **More information will follow in the next few weeks**. In the meantime, the children can use half term to look through their things and/or spend time making items to sell. Remember they can be new or used but in excellent condition!

Suggested items to sell:

- Homemade arts and crafts - bracelets, necklaces, badges, painted stones, cards etc
- Pre-loved small toys that are in good condition
- New toys
- 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
MAY			
Friday 24 th		School finishes for half-term	3.15pm
Friday 24 th	6	School Journey returns	4pm
JUNE			
Monday 3 rd	All	Training Day - school closed	
Wednesday 5 th	6	Girls Cricket Tournament at Harefield Cricket Club	
Thursday 6 th	All	Class photographs	
Friday 7 th		Parents & Carers Clubs Working Party	8.45am
Monday 10 th	6	District Sports competition	12.15pm
Wednesday 12 th	6	Best Team Cricket at Uxbridge Cricket Club	
	6	C team football tournament	
Thursday 13 th	6	Trip to Chessington	
Friday 14 th	6S	Battle of Britain Bunker	
Sunday 16 th	All	Payment deadline for FONJSA Family Fun Night	
Tuesday 18 th	6R & 6KN	Battle of Britain Bunker	
Friday 21 st	All	FONJSA Family Fun Night	6 - 8pm
Tuesday 25 th	3	Pedestrian training at school	
	All	Music for a Summer’s Evening	6.30 – 8pm
Wednesday 26 th	3 & 4	Lower School Sports Morning	10 – 12.15pm
	5 & 6	Upper School Sports Afternoon	1 - 3.15pm
JULY			
Tuesday 2 nd	6	Hillingdon Secondary schools transition day	All day
Wednesday 3 rd	4	Visit to Whipsnade	
Friday 5 th	3	Greek Day	
Monday 8 th	All	End of term reports issued	
Wednesday 10 th	5	Manor Farm visit	
	All	Exhibition Evening	
Monday 15 th	5	Trip to Woburn Safari Park	
	6	Production rehearsals Winston Churchill Hall	All day

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Tuesday 16 th	5BC	Last swimming lesson	
Wednesday 17 th	6	Production rehearsals - Winston Churchill Hall	All day
Thursday 18 th	6	Production rehearsals - Winston Churchill Hall	All day
	6	Performance at Winston Churchill Hall	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
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

FONJSA news

Family Fun Night – Friday 21st June – Further details to follow.

Community News

May half term holiday activities - Details are available on our website.

- Primary Sporting Development Funweeks – taking place at Newnham.
- Get Active May Half Term Holiday Camp
- AJ Soccer school
- Harrow Tennis Days will be running some free tennis in Headstone Manor Park and West Harrow Rec this weekend and during half term.
- Jag holiday clubs at Whiteheath Junior School!

Summer holiday activities - Summer Holiday club, run annually at Ruislip Baptist Church for years 3 - 6.

Yours sincerely

Mr N Wilkey
Headteacher

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