

Newnham Junior School



10th February 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

It's been a busy and productive half-term which the majority of staff and children have really enjoyed. We have had some amazing feedback from the parent's questionnaire which many of you completed during the parent's evening.

Questionnaire - It would be much appreciated if the few parents and carers who have not completed this, could do so. The questionnaire helps the school develop and gives you a voice. It only takes a few minutes to complete and we have chosen to do this electronically to save all of the printing past questionnaires have created. All you need to do is click on this link and you will be ready to begin: <https://forms.gle/8YEP5VuwULYjsCC48>

Please do not complete the questionnaire if you have done one already.

Spring Term Parents and Carers Meetings – Thank you for attending these meetings and continuing the excellent partnership we have between parents, carers, teachers and children. We really want to keep this partnership strong; you do not have to wait for these meetings if you have any concerns about your child's progress or other matters.

Netball Rally – Many of you will have noticed that there was a netball event at Newnham on Thursday. There were 17 schools attending and Newnham had three teams entered. All three teams played extremely well and thoroughly enjoyed the experience of participating in a large event. It gave all of our players an opportunity to represent the school and hopefully inspired them to continue to participate in school sports, as they progress through their education. This was not a tournament, but there was a shooting competition which Newnham won by scoring 8 goals in one minute.

Year 6 School Journey – Full details were emailed yesterday and payments are now on the Gateway.

Reminders:-

YEAR	DESCRIPTION	PAYMENT DEADLINE
6	FONJSA Leavers hoodies	Friday 10 th February

The Pantry New Menu - Please see attached and note this menu will start after half-term.

Diary date - Parent & carers coffee morning - Our next coffee morning will be on Wednesday 15th March at 10am, with a 20 minute session on acknowledging feelings, followed by time for a coffee and a chat. More details to follow.

Music News

Lunchtime Concert in the Music Room - Many thanks to our six music prefects for organising our first ever "Lunchtime Concert" for those who play instruments, either through the Hillingdon Hub or privately. The prefects designed the tickets and posters, made announcements in assembly and were responsible for the smooth running of the event. Our trial concert featured Year 6 violinists and pianists who performed to a captivated audience of 25. Due to the success of this event, our prefects will be organising a second concert, for Year 5 children. Watch this space.

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Lower School Choir - On Monday 27th March, our Lower School Choir has been invited to attend a Festival of Singing at the Beck Theatre. The event is still in its planning stages (through Hillingdon Music Hub) but we have been told coaches will be provided (no charge) to transport our children there and back. Further details will be passed on as soon as they become available. Please note, Mrs Wood has been keeping a strict record of Lower School Choir attendance and it will be these children who will represent the school on this occasion. Unfortunately, there is no provision for parents and carers to attend the daytime event but families can look forward to our school's own *Music for a Summer's Evening* concert later in the year.

Flu Immunisation - If your child did not receive their flu immunisation when the team visited our school in November, please contact the Immunisation Team on cnw-tr.ImmunisationTeam@nhs.net.

FONJSA Adult Raffle – Thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket. The list of prize winners is attached again. All prizes should be collected by an adult from the school office.

FONJSA Doughnuts for Grownups – Thank you to everyone who ordered Krispy Kreme doughnuts. These have been given to your children to bring home today and there will also be a sale on the playground after school.

Please visit our website <https://www.newnham-jun.hillingdon.sch.uk/> for further details of the following:-

FONISA Elvis Tribute Night 7.30 - 10pm Saturday 25th February. Please email FONISA directly on fonisainfo@gmail.com if you would like tickets.

February Half Term Activities

- Primary Sporting Development Funweek – Held here.
- Jones Tuition – Creative Tech Club – Held here 16th & 17th February.
- Kids Yoga Workshop at Hot Yoga House Eastcote Thursday 16th February.
- Winter Playday - At the Pavilions Shopping Centre from 10am to 2pm on the 14th February.

Winter Wellness -

- Warm Centres in Hillingdon
- Online Winter Wellness Directory

Junior Bake Off - Open to young budding bakers between **9-12 years old**. Filming will take place from July 2023, but **applications close on Sunday 12th March 2023**.

LOCAL AUTHORITY NEWS -

Asthma Workshops - MyHealth are running FREE Asthma workshops for parents and carers who have children with Asthma on Monday 6th March and Monday 3rd April. The sessions will be run by the Hillingdon Hospital asthma nurses. Content includes Asthma attacks, Asthma triggers, inhaler techniques, Asthma action plans. The workshops will be run online via ZOOM from 4pm - 5pm you can register your FREE place here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/myhealth-asthma-workshop-for-parents-children-tickets-191548726397> You can also contact the MyHealth team on tel: 01895 543 437 or nhsnwlcqg.myhealth@nhs.net

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Half term - Finally, we would remind you that we break up for half-term at 3.15pm today and return to school on Tuesday 21st February as the Monday is a training day.

Yours sincerely

Mr N Wilkey
Headteacher

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