

Newnham Junior School



7th June 2024

Dear Parents & Carers

I hope you all had a good half term. It's lovely to see the children back, ready for the final push before the summer holiday.

Girls' Cricket Tournament – On Wednesday 25 girls participated in the Hillingdon Girls' Cricket Tournament at Harefield Cricket Club. We had 2 teams in the competitive event and 1 team in the non-competitive event for children new to cricket. Every single child really enjoyed their day, played at least 5 matches and had a positive experience representing the school. The A team won every single game, winning the tournament with some incredible bowling which astounded the umpires due to its pace and accuracy. The B team lost two of their matches against the A team and came in 2nd place. The success of all of these teams shows how dedication and hard work pays off. I would like to say a huge thank you to Mr Behzadi for his input and coaching on Tuesday mornings, which has helped the A team qualify for the London Youth Games on Wednesday 19th June.

Mobile Phones – With all of the recent research showing the negative issues of unlimited access to the internet in regards to safeguarding, mental health and concentration, I have consulted with governors about having a total ban of smart phones for children in the school. This will mean that next academic Year 6 children will not be allowed to bring smart phones into school. I wanted to make the Year 5 parents aware of this in case they were thinking of buying a smart phone for their child over the summer. If you would like to speak to me about this please contact the school office to book an appointment. I will be sending a more detailed account of the reason for this decision in July.

Clubs Working Party – This group met today to discuss improving the range of clubs we offer. They have worked hard to get different ideas and now we need to see if there is enough interest to run them. Please complete the Google form that has been sent out today (years 2,3,4 and 5) by Friday 14th June.

End of year coffee afternoon 15th July 2-3pm - Please join us in the hall for an end of year coffee afternoon. This is a chance to meet other parents, including new parents joining in September, and to have an informal chat with Mr Wilkey or Mrs Majhail our SENDCO. Ms Curtis would also be delighted to see you there and hear any ideas you have about how we can better support parents.

Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) Project - The school is becoming part of this project and its purpose is to improve the experience of mainstream school for pupils who may have an additional educational need. In order to take part, we need to share with parents/carers a survey at the start of the project and then again at the end of the project (March 2025). The link to this survey will be sent out on Monday 10th June and it is open to all parents/carers regardless of whether your child has any additional needs. The survey will contain more information about the project, along with who will be accessing any information supplied. The survey will be open for two weeks and we would very much appreciate it if parents/carers could complete it, as it will help tailor the support that we could be offered as part of the project.

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	27	32

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Car Boot Sale – Eco update - On Friday June 28th, we will be holding another 'car boot sale'. Details on how to purchase the tokens will follow shortly.

Suggested items to sell:

- 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

Some of you have chosen to make some things to sell, please feel free to come to 4S any Wednesday lunchtime, if you need any help or you and your friends need a space to be creative!

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 9th	6	Consent deadline for Chessington Trip	
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 All	Trip to Chessington Non uniform day for FONJSA Family Fun Night (bring a raffle donation)	
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	
Wednesday 19th	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 28th	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 11th	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

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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
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 – Our ever popular Family Fun Night will be held on Friday 21st June, 6-9pm. Full details have been emailed this week.

Raffle – Prizes are requested to be used at FFN in return for wearing non uniform on Thursday 13th June. Donations could include a bottle donation (wine or something nice), individually wrapped sweets or chocolate bars, toiletries or raffle prizes, to be brought to the junior school office. Additionally 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.

PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS EARLY AS THIS EVENT NORMALLY SELLS OUT. The deadline to purchase will be Sunday 16th June or earlier if we sell out.

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](#)

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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