

Newnham Junior School



11th November 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you are well.

It's been another busy week at the school with children attending the Reading Café, Book Fair, football matches, netball matches, hockey tournaments and girls' football tournaments. 70% of Newnham children attend a school club, which is incredible.

Safeguarding – If you have any concerns about safeguarding, you should direct them towards me as I am the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL). If I am unavailable then Mrs Lovelock and Mr Kent are the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL).

Girls' Football Tournament – Newnham took two teams to this tournament which was held on Tuesday. In the group stage the B team won one game, lost one and drew two, meaning they progressed to the quarter finals where they lost to Sacred Heart. The A team drew two and won two of their group stage matches. They moved on to beat Coteford in the quarter finals and Hillside in the semi-finals. The final was very tense affair against Sacred Heart, with the match moving into extra time where the girls lost to a last minute goal. Both teams represented the school with pride, showing sporting behaviour throughout. We are very proud of them all and look forward to the A team playing in the Borough Tournament next term.

Scholastic Book Fair & Reading Cafés – Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help at the Reading Cafés or attended the Book Fair. A total of £1161 was raised which means £580 to spend on books for our school.

Remembrance - As a follow up from today's Remembrance Assembly and two minutes silence, the children have been invited to do some research/have conversations within the family to see if anyone had been involved in the first or second world war or later conflicts and in what capacity. We would like to update our permanent display of the children's connection to these significant historical events so any detail or photographs (photocopies/scans only please - no originals) are very welcome. In addition, if any family members are involved in this Sunday's events, photographs of this would be welcomed too. Thank you.

Year 5 & 6 Swimming Galas - If you have received a form inviting your child to take part, please can this be completed by 9am on Monday 14th November. Thank you.

Anti Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day - As previously advised, next week is Anti Bullying week and the children will be discussing issues surrounding this. The week starts with odd socks day on Monday when the children can wear mismatched socks to celebrate our differences - the brighter the better! Please note this is not a non uniform day.

Children in Need – Friday 18th November - A reminder that next Friday is a non uniform day and your child can come to school wearing yellow/anything Pudsey related/non uniform if they wish. Payment for this can be made directly to Children In Need via the Gateway and please select the option entitled **Useful Links** (under payments) to be taken to the CIN donations page or click on the following <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=8064>. No cash into school please.

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Year 6 Carol Concert : 7pm on Tuesday 13th December (correct date) - Apologies, the incorrect date was shown on the Year 6 curriculum plan sent out last week. Further details will follow shortly but the children will spend all day at the church rehearsing for the evening performance and will therefore require a packed lunch as they will not be returning to school for lunch.

Author Visit - As previously advised, Ruth Eastham will be visiting on Thursday 15th December and you can download an order form for her signed books from the front page of our website. Cash or cheques (payable to R Eastham) are welcome and these should be returned in an envelope via your child's class teacher by the morning of Monday 14th November.

Deadline Reminders:-

DETAILS	PAYMENT/CONSENT DEADLINE
FONJSA Christmas Gift Shop	15 th November
Year 4 trips to Tower Bridge 22/24/25 November	17 th November
Year 6 trip to the Milestone Museum - 6 th December	25 th November
Year 6 IXL	25 th November
Year 4, 5 & 6 Conquer Maths	30 th November
FONJSA Christmas Disco (see attached)	4 th December

The Pantry Vacancy - We have a vacancy for a Kitchen Assistant working every day between 10am - 2pm and please contact Hannah for further information.

FONJSA News

Christmas Gift Shop - FONJSA are looking for donations of gifts of any size e.g. toiletries, novelty toys and unwanted gift sets to be brought into the Office by 14th November. If you wish to purchase a gift, please pay via the Gateway.

FONJSA Voluntary Contributions – Thank you to everyone who has already made a donation via the Gateway. If your family is in a position to be able to give something, we would be extremely grateful as now more than ever, this money will make a difference to our school.

Amazon Wish List – If you would like to purchase an item, please click on the link below and select an item from the wish list https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/12ORK15EH7XQN?ref_=wl_share Once you have paid, the item will be delivered to the school. We have had a fantastic response so far and please remember to add yours or your child's name when ordering so that we can put a sticker on the item to acknowledge your generosity.

Christmas Disco : Friday 9th December - Details attached

Personalised Christmas Gifts - Details attached.

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LOCAL COMMUNITY NOTICES - Details available on our website

Hillingdon Narrowboats - Santa Boat Trips in December

Yours sincerely

Mr N Wilkey
Headteacher

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