

Newnham Junior School



21st July 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you to Mrs Wong and her team of Year 6 parents for providing a fantastic lunch for all the staff on Monday.

Leavers - As this year draws to a close, it is with regret that we have to say goodbye to several long standing Newnham families and we would like to thank you for all your support over the years and wish you well for the future.

Gardening competition

The children (current years 3,4 & 5) have been invited to enter a competition to suggest ideas for further developing our wildflower area at the far end of the school field. Details and a copy of the sheet that the children have been given can be found on our VLE page. The entries need to be returned by Wednesday 7th September with the child's full name and new class on the back. Once all the entries have been submitted a number of children will be selected to go to visit the Superbloom moat at the Tower of London on September 13th. This will be a full day's visit and children will travel by tube, accompanied by Newnham staff. Those successful will be informed on Friday 9th September with further details about the day.

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 20th September.

Parent workshop on children's wellbeing at 9am in the school hall and 8pm online.

Wednesday 19th October

SEN coffee morning in hall at 9am for parents to meet to chat about issues, make suggestions and offer informal advice and support.

Sports Kit – Please can all school sports kits be returned tomorrow.

Reading Books - Please can all school reading books be returned tomorrow.

Year 6 Jazz Hands Performance tonight – children should arrive at Haydon School **by 6.40pm** tonight. The performance will start at 7pm and is expected to finish at approximately 9.30pm.

DVD – The performance is being filmed by Robin Hollings on behalf of FONJSA and DVDs can be ordered via the School Gateway at a price of £8. The payment for one DVD has been put on the Gateway for you and if you would like to order more than one copy, please enter the number required in the comment box when making the initial payment. Please make your orders and payments by Friday 29th July as this payment, and indeed the School Gateway account for your Year 6 child, will be deleted once your child leaves our school. DVDs will hopefully be available for collection from Monday 31st October (please contact the school to check).

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Changes to the school day in September – please note the new times below:

Arrival at School – School starts at 8.45 but the children can arrive between 8.30 – 8.45am. The school gates will open at 8.30 **for only the children to enter**. A member of staff will be on the playground at 8.30am who will be available to take any quick messages for teachers from parents. The children will enter the school straight away and will be expected to start work in their classrooms. This is called a soft start. Any children arriving after 8.45am should be accompanied to the School Office to be signed in. Any parent who wishes to see the class teacher personally should contact the school office and an appointment to see the relevant member of staff will be made as soon as possible.

End of Day Procedures - Children finish lessons at 3.15pm and are sent out to the playground by their class teacher. If whoever is collecting your child is not in the playground, the children are advised to wait with the member of staff on duty (usually a member of the Leadership Team) and, if they are not subsequently collected, they will be taken to the School Office.

Last day : Friday 22nd July - Tomorrow, the children can bring in toys that they can play with, but there should be no electronic equipment or anything of value as we cannot guarantee that these will not be damaged while they are at school. It is a normal school uniform day for everyone except Emerald House, who can wear non uniform for coming first in sports day. **Please note, school finishes at 1.30pm for the summer.**

Year 6 last day

Shirt signing/autograph book - It is a normal school uniform day unless your child is in emerald house who are in non-uniform . Year 6 children can bring in a spare shirt and an autograph book for signing if they so wish. Any child that does not bring a spare shirt will not be allowed to get the one they are wearing signed.

Leavers folder – Your child will be given a Leaver’s folder with mementos and photos of their time at Newnham Juniors including the year group photograph.

Lunch - FONJSA will be providing lunch of either a burger in a bun with cheese or a sausage in a roll for all Year 6 children and please cancel your meal from The Pantry if you have already ordered one.

Finally, we wish all of you an enjoyable summer and would advise you that we return on **Monday 5th September**.

Yours sincerely

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