

Newnham Junior School



13th January 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you are well.

Despite the rain, the sun shines brightly on Newnham Junior School. In assemblies I have been talking to the children about them having an intrinsic desire to make progress. The children have really taken this on board and are aspiring to achieve because that is what they want to do, rather than doing it for a reward or fear of punishment.

Spring Term Parents and Carers Meetings - As previously advised, we are holding the following meetings to discuss your child's progress and you have already been sent further details regarding these meetings. Please contact the School Office if you are unable to book an appointment via SchoolCloud:-

DATE	YEARS	MEETING DETAILS	TIME
JANUARY			
Tuesday 17 th	6	Face to face with English & Maths teachers	3.30 - 6.30pm
Wednesday 18 th	6	Virtual with English & Maths teachers	4 - 7pm
Tuesday 31 st	5	Face to face with the class teacher	3.30 - 6.30pm
FEBRUARY			
Wednesday 1 st	3 & 4	Face to face with the class teacher	3.30 - 6.30pm
Tuesday 7 th	5	Virtual with the class teacher	4 - 7pm
Wednesday 8 th	3 & 4	Virtual with the class teacher	4 - 7pm

Support Plan Meetings - If your child has a support plan you should have received details of their review meeting taking place this term. Please contact the School Office to confirm your attendance at this meeting. Thank you.

Valuable Items – We have a few children wearing smart watches and many children coming in with Air Up water bottles. Even though we are very lucky to have such reliable and trustworthy pupils at the school, we cannot guarantee that these valuable items can be kept safe, particularly the water bottles.

The Pantry – Thursday 19th January will be a Taste of Italy theme day and lunches can be ordered via The Pantry in the usual way (menu attached).

A Message from the house captains - Endangered animals craft competition - This half term's craft competition is to draw, paint, or create (out of craft materials) an endangered animal. The final entry date for the competition is Friday 27th January. They should be handed in to your class teacher with your name and House details. The top 5 entries win bonus house points for their House. All entrants will receive points for their participation and all entries will be displayed in the school entrance. Well done to all of the children that enjoy and take part in our competitions.

Reminders:-

YEAR	DESCRIPTION	PAYMENT/CONSENT DEADLINE
6	Young Voices – final arrangements Google form	Tuesday 17 th January
3	Mr Egypt Ancient Egyptians visit - 3 rd February	Friday 27 th January
6	School Journey deposit	Wednesday 1 st February

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Esafety - As a parent/carer, it can be very tricky to keep up to date with the dangers of the current programs and apps that our children are using. One of the most important areas to look at with any app download is if there is an ability to communicate or chat with other users. If you let your child use any app which has this ability, be sure to check in with them regularly as to who they are communicating with and to use report functions if any messages are worrying.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/> have free guides to parents that explain the dangers around certain Apps. You have to register an account with them but these are free to parents and will help you to keep you up to date with the ever-changing world of technology and its dangers.

Asthma - The Hillingdon Hospital Asthma Team are holding a number of free asthma workshops via Zoom where you will be able to hear the most up to date advice and information around asthma, including identifying triggers and how to manage an asthma attack. You can register by using the following link:- <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 nhsnwlcq.myhealth@nhs.net

Winter Wellness - Please see the website for a copy of the Winter Wellness Directory and Warm Centre Locations across Hillingdon.

FONJSA news

Family Bingo – details were emailed out last week and places are selling quickly. The deadline to make payment on the Gateway is Monday 23rd January.

TAG coffee shop Eastcote – in collaboration with FONJSA, TAG coffee shop will once again be baking the Newnham square cookie with effect from next week. This is a delicious red velvet and white chocolate cookie and £1.50 of each sold will be donated to the school.

Andrew Pearce annually donates prizes and gifts to FONJSA and in return some of our parents/carers have kindly agreed to put Andrew Pearce's advertising boards at their address. If you are willing to have a board please click on this link: <https://forms.gle/cpCM4neeEPGmospa9>

FONJSA would like to request donations of any unwanted Christmas gifts or unused presents that can be used for fundraising events (raffle prizes, Christmas gift shop, stocking fillers, party bag toys etc). Please drop any donations into the office.

Active Early Years Academy – vacancy. Details are available on our website

February half term activities

Primary Sporting Development Funweek – Held here. Details are available on our website.

Yours sincerely

Mr N Wilkey
Headteacher

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