

Newnham Junior School



21st March 2025

Dear Parents & Carers

I hope you are well.

Red Nose Day – It was lovely seeing the children come in with red accessories for this event. The school council did a great job, delivering an assembly to the whole school explaining where all of the money raised goes. You can still donate here -

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=18174>

Aspire Netball Rally - Newnham had four teams in this event which all of the children thoroughly enjoyed. Newnham Burgundy won all 5 of their games and Storm, Midnight and Scarlett all won 4 and lost 1. Newnham Burgundy also won the shooting trophy, scoring an incredible 22 goals in 2 minutes.

Breakfast Club and Morning Clubs – The breakfast club have asked me to remind you that children must be supervised by an adult if they arrive early to breakfast club or early morning clubs like Dodgeball. This is for the children's safety. Also if you have any unwanted Uno cards Breakfast club would like them please.

Gymnastics Club - Next week's club has been cancelled. This is because the school is using the hall for the Ruislip and Northwood Maths Challenge. I apologise if this causes any inconvenience

Year 6 Parent & Carers Meeting: Tuesday 25th March at 6pm - This meeting will cover the following: -

- The arrangements for the SATs taking place during the week commencing Monday 12th May
- Provide further information for the School Journey from Monday 16th - Friday 20th June
- Details of the alternative School Journey for those children not going to Bude
- How SRE (Sex & Relationship Education) will be taught next term.

This meeting is for parents/carers only (no children please) and is expected to last an hour.

Spring Term Clubs – All clubs finish next week. There are no clubs in the final week of term. Summer Term Clubs will be sent out next week and clubs will go live on Saturday 29th March.

PSD Street Dance Club - There will be a performance to the parents and carers of children who attended this term's club at 3.50pm next Wednesday 26th March.

Parent Travel Survey - As part of our ongoing goal to improve safety and traffic on the Newnham Avenue at drop off and pick up times, we would like to find out more about the current habits of our school community. Please can you fill out the parent survey by clicking on the link or scanning the QR code. This should only take a few minutes and we would really appreciate the feedback in order to help us gauge a better understanding of our travel habits.

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Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel Challenge 24th March to 4th April – We are taking part in the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge which is free to take part in and we would love everyone to be involved.

What do you need to do? - Encourage your child(ren) to walk, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event.

Why we are taking part? – Sustran's Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing. Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate. [A 2021 YouGov study](#) showed nearly half of UK children worry about air pollution near their school and that children thought active travel was the best away to bring down these pollution levels.

Useful resources - To help you prepare, Sustrans has developed a handy free guide to walking, cycling or scooting to school. It is packed with advice to help you have hassle-free journey to school. Download your free family guide using this link: [Sign up to receive your free school run guide - Sustrans.org.uk](#)
For more information about the event go to www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk . Enjoy the challenge! **Mrs Ullah**

Eco news - Cable Challenge

We have won the Cable Challenge, having collected a total of 88.1kg! This is close to the weight of a new born baby elephant or a jaguar - the cat, not the car! Mrs Wilkey's school came a close second! Thank you to everyone who took part in both the Junior & Infant Schools.

Borough wide, a total of **36 schools** took part and their combined efforts have helped to collect a total of **802.76 kilograms** of cables or 0.8 tonnes.

The cables will be sent to Hillingdon Council's contractor (ASM Metal) for recycling. You can find out more information on their website: [Bulk Cable Recycling Services - ASM Metal Recycling](#)

The Great Big School Clean – As mentioned last week, we are taking part in [Great Big School Clean](#) which is taking place from **21 March to 6 April** and have pledged to help collect bags of litter to keep our local community litter free! Hillingdon council have lent us 16 litter pickers and if you are interested in getting involved, please contact the school office.



Lunches - Please remember to cancel hot lunches if your child will not be eating them

Eco-Team Food Waste Update	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK	COST TO THE SCHOOL
Junior meals ordered but not served	16	15	£36.15 (£2.41 each)

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Dates for your diaries - See below. Further details will follow in due course.

DATE	YEAR OR CLASS	DETAILS	TIME
MARCH			
Friday 21st	All	Comic Relief Red Nose	
Sunday 23rd	All	FONJSA Easter Disco Gateway deadline	
Sunday 23 rd	6	School Journey - 5 th payment due	
Sunday 23 rd	5	Payment & consent deadline: Hampton Court	
Tuesday 25 th	5P	Class Assembly (parents/carers welcome)	9 – 9.30am
Tuesday 25 th	6	Parent & Carers Meeting (see above)	6 – 7pm
Wednesday 26 th	5BC	Class Assembly (parents/carers welcome)	9 – 9.30am
Wednesday 26 th	6	South East Girls Football Finals	1pm – 4pm
Wednesday 26 th	Street Dance	Performance to parents and carers	3.50pm
Thursday 27 th	5S	Class Assembly (parents/carers welcome)	9 – 9.30am
Thursday 27 th	5 & 6	Maths Challenge	3.45 – 5.15pm
Friday 28 th	3 & 4	FONJSA Easter Disco	3.30 - 5pm
	5 & 6	FONJSA Easter Disco	5.30 - 7pm
Monday 31 st	6	B Team Netball Tournament (Burgundy, Storm and Midnight)	1.00 – 4.00pm
Monday 31 st	All	FONJSA Break the Rules Gateway deadline	
APRIL			
Tuesday 1 st	All	FONJSA Break the Rules Day	
Tuesday 1 st	5P	Last swimming lesson	
Tuesday 1 st	6	Borough Netball Tournament (Silvers)	1 - 4pm
Wednesday 2 nd	4UW	Class Assembly (parents/carers welcome)	9 – 9.45am
Wednesday 2 nd	4CH	Class Assembly (parents/carers welcome)	2.30 – 3.15pm
Thursday 3 rd	4BF	Class Assembly (parents/carers welcome)	9.00 – 9.45am
Friday 4 th	All	Last day of term	1.30pm

FONJSA news – The FONJSA Easter Discos are taking place on Friday 28th March and the Gateway deadline is **Sunday 23rd March**.

Community news (Details on our website)

- Drawing & Talking Therapy

Easter holiday activities - Details are available on our website.

- Nick Jones Music/Tech club – taking place at Newnham from 9th to 11th April.
- Northolt Leisure Centre will be running swimming crash courses throughout the Easter holidays 7th to 11th April and 14th to 17th April.

Yours sincerely

Mr N Wilkey
Headteacher

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