



Newnham News

Friday 10 January 2020

Headteacher: Mr Andy Matthews

Attachments

- Clubs list
- KAPLA poster

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

A warm welcome back to all of you. I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year break. We had some unexpected news over the holiday period, when we learnt that Mr Pinnock's wife had given birth to twin daughters, Robyn and Ziggy. These were rather premature births and therefore Mr Pinnock is taking some extended paternity leave to support his new family and wife. I'm sure you'll be as delighted as we are that all are doing well and Mr Pinnock is certainly now a proud dad. We have needed to bring forward the cover arrangements for the Year 5 class, so Mrs Cole will now be teaching an extra day on Wednesdays, with the remaining two days being split between Mr Ferguson and myself. I will be taking on Mr Pinnock's SENCO duties, so if you have any special needs questions please direct them towards me.

We can also let you know the Mrs Fang has given birth to her baby daughter, and both are doing very well.

On other matters, thank you all for helping with the active wear in school. I've seen the vast majority of children wearing trainers this week which has been really helpful, particularly on PE days.

Yesterday you should have received the curriculum letter and topic web for your child's class. If you have not received this then please contact the office who will send you one.

For the first couple of weeks back we will be continuing with Hindi as our language of the month.

School Clubs

You should by now have heard if your child has been given a place in a school club for this term. There are still spaces available in many of the clubs, so it's not too late if you still wish to sign your child up for one of them. If you have booked a place, can I remind you to please make your payment to the school during the next week. The clubs list is attached.

Wet Weather Clothing

Please remind your child to bring a water proof coat to school everyday – we go outside whatever the weather. To protect the field from turning into a mud pit, we will not be letting children play on the field on very wet days, or days following heavy rainfall.

Year 6 Parents

There will be an information meeting about the end of KS2 statutory assessments on Thursday 16 January at 3.20 pm in the Year 6 classroom.

Year 3 Bikeability

Can we please remind parents of Year 3 children that their Bikeability sessions start next Friday (17th). Please ensure that your child has their bike in school on that day and that the brakes work, they have cycle helmets and anything else on the kit list.

Music Festival

The termly music festival for children learning an instrument will be held this term on 28th February, in the hall after school. All children are welcome to perform in this friendly and supportive environment. We enjoy hearing contributions from beginners and more experienced musicians. All instruments are welcome and there is no fee to play. Sign up here to say you'd like to play:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1r-GSfB1nWgDeYa4ETuAQStjUg8I7Gssxqjhtci2BYTU/edit?usp=sharing>

School Meals

The school lunch menu for next week will be Week 2 of the latest three week cycle. The cost of school meals is £2.40 per day. We have made a few changes to the menu to reflect the winter season and to provide some increased variety for the children. We will do a similar thing for the summer term too.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter, a copy of which can be found on our school website:

www.newnhamcroft.cambs.sch.uk

PTA website: <http://www.newnhamcroftpta.btck.co.uk/>

Yours faithfully, Andy Matthews, Headteacher

School Diary Dates coming up soon

Y6 information meeting for parents 3.20pm 16 Jan

Y3 Bikeability starts 17 Jan

PTA News

Easyfundraising

Don't forget that every time you shop with Easyfundraising, you can raise a little bit of money for school at no cost to you. To sign up and find out how it works go to:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/newnhamcroftpta/?invite=OGP3OI&referral-campaign=s2s>

Social next Tuesday after school (14th)

Next Tuesday, we will hold our first parent social of the term straight after school, where we aim to get as many parents as we can together to chat and catch up with each other. It will be in the Scout Hut (in the school car park) after pick up. We'll have free tea, coffee and biscuits for parents, plus craft activities and some snacks to keep the children occupied. Come along for 5 minutes or an hour – whatever works for you!

This term's important PTA dates:

January

Tues 14th Social for parents, after school
Fri 31st Film night – 5pm start
Tues 23rd PTA meeting – school staff room – 8pm

February

Fri 7th Cheese and wine evening – 8pm
Mon 24th Pancake day, 3.15pm, school playground
Fri 28th Music Festival

March

Fri 6th Quiz and curry night
Fri 20th PTA AGM. 9am in school hall. All parents welcome
Fri 27th School disco

Community News

Saturday Football

We are continuing our football training sessions on Saturday afternoons at the school, starting this Saturday 11th. Training is very sociable and is open to all girls and boys in reception to year 6 (no experience necessary!). There are sessions for different age groups running between 1pm and 3.30pm involving over 50 children. Sessions are lead by an external coach provided by 'Over and In' and have a focus on having fun and developing skills.

Please feel free to speak with us if you have any questions or contact newnhamssportsfootball@gmail.com - Beth Child, Ece Kizil, Henning Grunwald, John Stead, Simon Walker, Tom Smith (parents from the school).

KAPLA Club

On Friday 24 January 3.15-5pm at Newnham Croft Primary School. See poster attached.