



Newnham News

Friday 17 October 2014

Headteacher: Mrs S Williams

Attachments:

- 50 Things to Do Before you're 11 ¾
- Italian event leaflet

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

We encourage the children to play on the field whatever the weather but if it is very wet they should wear wellington boots and have a change of shoes for inside school.

This week in assembly Ali from Cancer Research came into talk to the children about what they do and thank us for raising £713.50. A certificate was presented which the Year 6 school councillors received on behalf of the school. Ali spoke to the children about healthy lifestyles and was impressed with their enthusiasm for eating 5 a day or more! Please support our endeavours and provide your child with a healthy snack for break time, such as fruit; in particular please do not give them confectionary or crisps. Reception and KS1 children are given a snack of fresh fruit or vegetables.

Next Week's assembly music will be Telemann's Viola Concerto 2 Allegro.

Parent Teacher Consultations – next week!

All classes except year 4 Tuesday 21st October 4-6.30 pm and Wednesday 22nd October 1.30-4.00pm.

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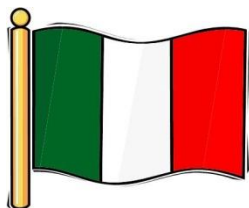
If you have not already signed up please see the sign-up sheets in the playground at drop-off and pick-up. If your child has an individual education plan (IEP) please make a separate appointment as you will need a longer slot.

Ipad training at Stephen Perse

A group of Year 6 children have visited Stephen Perse Foundation this afternoon for some ipad training. Pupils were introduced to a selection of new apps, such as creating comic strips using halftone. Thank you to Stephen Perse and their pupils for this exciting opportunity! We hope that the Year 6 children will be able to train some other year groups on using the new technology. Mrs D'Oyly

Italian Day

On Monday 20th October please come to school wearing something green, white and red. We will celebrate the week dedicated to the Italian language promoted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs all over the world, visit the website: www.esteri.it and click on Settimana della Lingua Italiana nel mondo 20/25 Ottobre 2014. Maria Carmen Triola (Marica) our Italian teacher will prepare, with the help of some students in year 6 and the great expertise of Michelle and her staff, the Italian school dinner for the day. Assembly will be ruled by the students in KS1 accompanied by the music teacher Katerina Onatskaia



and Mrs Triola. Year 1/2N students will perform the welcome song *Buongiorno* in four/five different versions: regular, quiet, fast, slow and in English. Then the Chick song *La settimana del pulcino* song about the days of the week in Italian and in English. Year 1/2C students will introduce the Italian flag with its colours, the vowels in Italian, the correct pronunciation of the vowels in Italian and examples of cognates words in Italian and English and they will sing the colour song created by them according to their clothes red, orange, green, blue, yellow, purple, black, brown and white. Year R/I students will show how to easily learn numbers in Italian from number one to number five in different ways. Thank you for your support and participation. Looking forward to seeing you all on Monday 20th October. Parents are welcome to attend the assembly. *Maria Triola* (Please see the attached leaflet regarding an Italian food event at Aromi on Thursday 23 October.)

Football Tournament

On Tuesday two football teams with boys and girls from Year 5 and Year 6 took part in a tournament at Netherhall this week. Both teams played well, supported each other and had lots of fun.

Cambridge University Lunchtime Concerts

Mrs Onatskaia will be taking a group of musicians from Year 5 and 6 to the concert on 21st October at St John's College. She would welcome any parents who would like to accompany them. The Lunchtime Concert series is a wonderful way to enjoy some fantastic performances from Cambridge University's top musicians, all admission free. Every Tuesday lunchtime in term time there will be a diverse range of music, from Monteverdi and Corelli to Debussy and Crumb, with a variety of accomplished ensembles and soloists. <http://www.cums.org.uk/about/cambridge-university-lunchtime-concerts/>

National Trust

Following on from our showing of the film Project Wild Thing please find attached a list produced by the National Trust – 50 things to do before you're 11 ¾. Plenty of exciting adventures to enjoy outside.

Swimming Champion

Congratulations to Isabella in Year 5 who won 6 medals at the City of Cambridge swimming championships held over the last two weekends at Parkside Pool. She won 4 silvers and 2 bronze medals in the age 9 category.

Wild Garden

Thanks you to everyone who has contributed towards the plants in the wild garden – we raised £484. Do come and have a look at the garden.

School Photos

Tempest photographers will be in school on Thursday 23 October to take individual pupil photographs in the school hall. If you wish to bring pre-school children in to be photographed with their sibling/s you may do so from 8.30am.

Creative Typography Workshop

Taking a playful look at letterforms through printing, sewing and collage. A six week workshop for Year 5 and 6 children. Monday lunchtimes from 3 November-8 December, £2.50 per session (cost of materials). 10 places – please apply to bridget@nortonallison.co.uk. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Come and join our fun after-school Dance club!

Places are available this term. Come along and get involved in our Christmas project! Mondays after school 3.15 pm – 4.15 pm. £4.50 per session www.dance-matters.co.uk

PTA AGM

The AGM will be held next Thursday, 23rd October in the school hall at 3.15 straight after school pick up. All are welcome, as are children, so please do join us for a short business meeting. All three of the committee posts: chair, treasurer and secretary will be up for election. If you are interested in becoming a committee member, please talk to Anna, Sophie or Andrea about what the posts involve. If you would like to be a bit more involved in the PTA, there are number of other jobs to allocate - running the Friday treat stall, overseeing the class reps list, helping with events and communications.... Otherwise, please just come along and find out a little bit more about the PTA and what we do to support the school. We look forward to seeing you there. *The PTA Committee*

Remember Remember the 8th of November...

Don't forget to buy your tickets for this year's Bonfire Night spectacular! Newnham Croft PTA and Newnham Scouts and Guides Centre are pleased to announce that this year's Bonfire Night will be held on **Saturday 8th November** from 5.30-8pm at the school. Tickets are now on sale from the school office or the Scout Centre, price £2.50 child and £5 adult, under 2s free. Volunteers are still needed to help run the event; if you can help, please contact Diane Hird at dianehird@gmail.com. We also need clean (sticker free!) jars for a craft event at Bonfire night - please bring in jars next week and put in a box next to the aquarium. Thank you!

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. A copy of this newsletter can be found on our school website: www.newnhamcroft.cambs.sch.uk
PTA website: <http://www.newnhamcroftpta.btck.co.uk/>

Yours sincerely
Sharon Williams, Headteacher

Diary Dates

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| Italian assembly..... | 20 Oct |
| Y6 swimming..... | 21 Oct |
| Parent consultations 4-6.30pm..... | 21 Oct |
| Parent consultations 1.30-4pm..... | 22 Oct |

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| Y4 Parent consultations 4-6.30pm..... | 23 Oct |
| Individual pupil photos | 23 Oct |
| Rec and R/I Forest Schools..... | 24 Oct |

Community News

Bike for Sale

A family that have left the school have asked us to sell a bicycle on their behalf, with the proceeds being donated to the school. The bike is a nearly new Apollo Switch 24" wheel, grey with green trim, plus lock and helmet, £50. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

Messy Church Apple Day Celebration – this Tuesday 21st October

Come and celebrate all things apple at Messy Church! We'll be making apple juice and apple crumble, felting our own apple decorations and printing a big apple poster. If you have an apron please bring it along as this one's going to be really messy! Come along after school for tea and biscuits, a bible story, crafts, family prayer time and a meal...including our own just pressed apple juice. No charge, but donations are welcome. Please contact Anne Strauss for more details. childrensworker@stmarksnewnham.org

Babysitter Required

We are an Italian family looking for a babysitter for our two children (boy 7 and girl 4 years old). We need someone Monday to Wednesday 4-6pm and Thursday to Friday 3-6pm, to do the afternoon school run, look after the children until dinner time and help them with their homework. On Thursday she has to take the kids to the local swimming pool. We live in central Cambridge and the school of the children is a short bicycle ride from there. We would like her to start as soon as possible. If you know anyone that is interested please ask them to contact us at ef307@cam.ac.uk. We are looking forward to hearing from you.

Cambridge for Kids

As part of the University's Festival of Ideas, local historian Allan Brigham will be giving a walking tour around the City Centre for children aged 7-13 years. The tour includes visits to see the Mayor's regalia to King's College Chapel. All children must be accompanied by an adult. 10 am – 12 noon, Friday 31 October, free, pre book: www.cambridgeforkids2/2014.eventbrite.co.uk or email townnotgown@btinternet.com

Diwali Events

It is Diwali season and a firm favourite is the event organised by the Punjabi Cultural Society of Cambridge. This event is at the Arbury Community Centre this Saturday 18 October 6.30-11pm. Further details from Mr J L Kale 01223 462230. On Saturday 25 October the Sanskruti School of Dance are performing at Magdalene College. If you are interested in participating please email krishna@sanskriti.org.uk.