



Newnham News

Friday 7 June 2019

Headteacher: Mrs S Williams

Attachments

- Sponsored practice form

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

Welcome back for a busy second half of the summer term! Following on from feedback in this year's Parent/Carer Survey we are trialling a system to share with parents a weekly summary of their child's learning. On Fridays children and teachers will discuss the learning that has taken place in their class during the week and create a poster to display in the class window (or in some cases on the classroom door or in another classes' window) which parents/carers can read with their children. The children should be able to take you to their class poster. We realise that parents/carers who do not come to school due to other commitments will not be able to see the posters but the children should be able to give you a verbal report. We hope this summary, in conjunction with the class curriculum letter and topic web, will provide parents with current information about their children's learning opportunities.

The assembly music for next week will be: Copland's Fanfare for the Common Man.

Our language for greetings is Norwegian.

English	Norwegian
Hello	Hallo
Goodbye	Ha det bra
Good morning	God morgen
Good afternoon	God ettermiddag
Thank you	Takk

Primary Engineer of the Year Award Ceremony at the University of Hertfordshire on 6th June

Miss Wilson and I are very proud of all of our children's designs that were submitted to the competition earlier this year, 'If you were an engineer what would you do?' Yesterday we attended the Eastern Region award ceremony with the four year group winners (see below) and their parents. For the competition the children were asked to think of a problem and then design a solution. There were over 300 entries in the Eastern region and over 48,000 nationally. The exhibition at the University of Hertfordshire, which has an engineering focus, included 26 of our inventions (4 year group winners, 6 Judges' Highly Commended and 16 short listed. The competition was open to children from 4 to 18. Entries were roughly equal girls: boys and slightly more girls than boys won awards. Engineers judged the competition each region and were amazed by the innovative solutions created by children of all ages. The exhibition showed that young people generally are very concerned about the environment. The overall

award this year went to an invention of a trainer with a USB port – you need to run around to be able to charge your gadgets!

Filippos Winner Year 1 'Atom Camera'

Nicolas Winner Year 2 'Boat Picker'

Shamsher Winner Year 2 'Flying Filter'

Farouq Winner Year 3 'Auto Goalie'

The children showed off their trophies and certificates in High Flyers assembly today. Thank you to the engineers who came in and supported the children: John Shepperd, Claire Farrukh and Laura Diaz Anadon. Thanks also to Miss Wilson for all her inspiration and hard work and well done to all the children. We look forward to seeing what they invent next year!

D-Day assembly

On Wednesday 5 June we learnt about the events and significance of the D-Day landings in an assembly led by Miss Holliday.

Summer Music Festival - Friday 14th June, 3.30pm

All children who are learning to play an instrument are invited to perform at this term's concert, in front of a small, supportive and friendly audience of children and parents. The sign up sheet is here: <https://bit.ly/2XtoW5A> Please get in touch with Emily Cleevely if you have any questions.

KS2 Snacks

Please send in fruit, vegetables or something healthy – no crisps or sweets. Reception and KS1 are provided with a healthy snack for break.

Sheep's Green Sculpture

Year 3 spent a productive afternoon working with young adults from Rowan Humberstone on the sculpture for Sheep's Green. It is looking amazing and is a culmination of a long project that the children have been involved in, surveying the Sheep's Green's biodiversity, developing their ideas using drawings and clay and now finally being able to realise their ideas in wood.



Year 4 Multi-Sports on Parker's Piece

Year 4 went to Parker's Piece this morning. We took part in all sorts of sports including football, sprint races, hurdles, ladders, sack races, tug of war, egg and spoon and throwing. It was a brilliant morning and it only drizzled! Everyone was tired when we got back. *By Emily and Gabriel*

Leaving Celebration for Mrs Williams

On Friday 12 July from 3.15pm – 5 pm there will be a tea party in the playground to which children, parents, staff, governors and former colleagues are invited to celebrate Mrs Williams' retirement from teaching. The PTA have kindly agreed to provide tea and soft drinks and we would be very grateful for any contributions, cakes or savouries, to be served during the event. We look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to join us for this celebration.



As part of their topic on Europe, Year 4 created these wonderful cheese models of the Leaning Tower of Cheesa and the Brandenjarg Gate.

Eco Picnic

On Thursday 27th June we will be holding our annual Eco Picnic from 4-6pm. This is an opportunity for families and members of the community to come together in our beautiful school grounds. Feel free to bring along a blanket and a picnic to enjoy. Gardening Club will have a range of activities on offer, there will be some Eco activities to take part in and you'll be free to tour the school grounds, including an exhibition of Eco Art created by some Year 6 children. Some healthy snacks will be available to buy too. We look forward to seeing you there.

Cricket Competition

On Tuesday some Year 5 and 6 pupils went to a cricket competition. They did very well and we came second in our group. In the first game against Cottenham we won 234 to 341. In the second game against the Stephen Perse we lost 234 to 238. *By Logan*

Thank you to Mr Farrukh for coaching the school cricket team!

Maths Competition

On Thursday four people from Year 6 took part in a maths competition at St Faith's School. There were a lot of hard questions but we all enjoyed the experience. *By Cecilia*

Sponsored Practising Piano Fundraiser

Get your instruments out and start practising! The PTA are encouraging children to raise money for a new piano for the school by collecting sponsorship for practising their musical instrument. Can you play every day for a week? If you aren't learning an instrument but would still like to take part, set yourself the challenge of learning a new song and practising it

every day for a week. Please encourage friends, family, neighbours and even music teachers to sponsor you! If you are impressed with how much you have improved, why not play at the music festival next Friday 14th June? Sponsorship forms are in book bags and also attached to this newsletter. Please return to school by 24th June. Thank you.

School Meals

The school lunch menu for the next week will be Week 1. Please remember to pay for school meals in advance.

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.newnhamcrofptpta.btck.co.uk/>

Yours faithfully

Sharon Williams, Headteacher

Diary Dates

Y2 swimming.....11 June
Y4 swimming.....12 June
New Reception parents induction meeting 9.30am.....13 June
Y3 swimming.....14 June
Music Festival 3.30pm.....14 June

PTA Summer Fete Sunday 30th June 12-3pm

Please put the event in your diaries, Sunday 30 June 12-3pm at the school; and feel free to invite friends and family. There are lots of things to keep all ages entertained, mini sports, bouncy castle, lots of stalls and locally brewed beer. Entertainment from a Jazz band, our dance club and an appearance from Vocal Remix choir. This year's Bake Off competition judged by Clement from 'Clement' bakery will be advertised next week with details of the showstopper and technical challenge, so keep your eyes on the PTA notice board or classlist, any ages can enter. And start pruning those roses at home, because the plant stall will be holding a 'best rose' competition for the finest single stem brought on the day.

We really need help in many ways, donations, volunteers and participants...

ITEMS needed...

- Homemade Produce (do you make jam, crafts, toys, anything handmade? we want it to sell and show off a variety of talents hiding out there)
- Bottles of drink or Packets of sweets for prizes on the Tombola
- Secondhand Books (adult and children books for book stall)
- Plants (to sell on Plant stall please bring these nearer the date of fete, as they'll need watering)

Please bring your items to the school and place in the box near the fish tank.

VOLUNTEERS needed

Please use the link below to sign up on slottr

link <https://www.slottr.com/sheets/16560789> or contact Louise Brayshaw (louise.brayshaw@outlook.com) or Mary Hansford (maryhansford@gmail.com)

We will be sending home raffle tickets next week.