



# Newnham News

Friday 5 June 2026

Headteacher: Mr Edward Ferguson

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are really looking forward to our Summer Fete on Sunday 5th July, from 1:00pm to 4:00pm – a fantastic afternoon for our whole school community to come together and celebrate the end of the year.

There will be plenty to enjoy for children and families, and we hope as many of you as possible can come along to enjoy and to support.

Our PTA always works incredibly hard behind the scenes to make events like this possible. To help make the day a success, they are still in need of volunteers – whether you can spare a short amount of time or help for the whole afternoon, your support would make a huge difference.

Please do take a moment to look at the message from the PTA and follow the links provided to sign up or find out more.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support – we look forward to seeing you there!

Kind regards,  
Edward Ferguson

## Diary Dates

Reception and Y6 weighing and measuring		Mon 8 June
Y3 swimming		Tues 9 June
Y4 swimming		Tues 9 June
Breakfast cafe by Y6	8.20am	Fri 12 June
Reception forest school		Fri 12 June
Y2 swimming		Fri 12 June
Y5 forest school		Fri 12 June
Y6 play	5.30pm	Fri 12 June

Please check the school calendar on our [website](#), which is updated regularly.

## Whole school news

### Y6 breakfast cafe

Come along to school from 8.20am on Friday 12 June and buy yourself a bacon roll or a croissant and a hot drink. The cafe will be run by Y6, who are raising funds for Y5/6 DT resources.

### School Meals

The weekly menu is attached and [online](#). The menu next week will be Week 2. The cost of a school meal is £2.75.

## Classroom news

### Reception

This week, Reception has been busy developing their independent writing skills by writing about their half-term experiences. The children have enjoyed sharing their memories and using their phonics knowledge to write simple sentences.

We have also started our exciting new topic, *Under the Sea*. The children are already showing great enthusiasm and curiosity about ocean life. To support our learning, we would love the children to bring in any storybooks they may have about sea creatures to share with the class.

### Year 1

This week, Year 1 started their new geography topic by going on a walk to Lammas Land. The children explored



the area and looked for physical and human features. They spotted natural features like trees, grass, and the river, as well as human-made features such as paths, bridges, and play equipment. The children did a fantastic job using their new vocabulary and thinking like real geographers! Thank you to our two parent helpers who accompanied us on the walk.

### **Year 2**

Year 2 has had a busy and exciting first week back! In maths, we have been developing our understanding of multiplication and division by exploring the 2, 5 and 10 times tables, learning about inverse operations, and solving mystery number problems. We discovered that multiplying by 2 is the same as doubling and dividing by 2 is halving. In English, we began our poetry unit by exploring colour poems and recapped apostrophes for contractions through a fun matching game. In science, we investigated how materials can be reused and explored the importance of the 3Rs. We also learned about King Charles III in history, food groups in DT, and impressed everyone with our Scratch Junior programming skills in computing. The end of the week ended in great excitement with the first of our swimming sessions.

### **Year 3**

Year 3 has had a really good first week back. In maths, the children used place value to mentally add and subtract 2 and 3-digit numbers. Later on in the week, they used the column method to solve simple one and two steps problems. In English lessons the children really enjoyed listening to and performing poems written by Joseph Coelho. In our RE lesson the children enjoyed learning about the symbolic meaning of fire in relation to the Olympic Games. In our new history topic the class looked at what had changed and what had stayed the same for children over the course of history.

### **Year 4**

In maths, we converted between mm and cm and connected that to our previous lesson where we converted between cm and m. In English, we read *Greta and the Giants* and used role play to explore how different characters might be feeling at different points in the story. We also discussed the importance of using Standard English in writing and practised changing Non-Standard English into Standard English. We then moved onto looking at fronted adverbials and why and how we use them. In PSHE, we discussed different changes people might experience in their lives, the comfortable and uncomfortable feelings associated with them and how to cope with these feelings. We had a brilliant time visiting The Museum of Cambridge, where we learned more about Victorian schools and childhood and had the

opportunity to do a Victorian style maths lesson and explore the artefacts around the museum. We also really enjoyed our forest school session.

### **Year 5**

It has been lovely welcoming Year 5 back for a new half term and hearing all about their week off. This week, we have been finalising our last history lesson from last term. The children enjoyed researching what life was like for children who lived on their street over one hundred years ago. In maths, Year 5 has been exploring how to subtract numbers with one and two decimal places using the frog method. In English, we have continued reading the short book *Birdsong*, and the class had a go at writing a descriptive setting based on the text, using figurative language to describe the birds, trees and surroundings. In French, we have started a new module called *My French Family*. The children practised saying phrases in French such as, "I have a brother" or "I have a sister." Well done to Year 5 for a great first week back!

### **Year 6**

This week in Y6, we have finished writing our play and have started rehearsing. Earlier this week, a training teacher joined Y6. She is here for 3 weeks before going all the way back to Switzerland. Many exciting events are happening this half term such as the final forest school of Y6 this Friday, the play next Friday and the county netball next Tuesday! All teachers think we are professionals at writing the play and the most productive class so far! Also happening soon in the leavers assembly, which the teachers are not looking forward to since we are the best Y6 class ever!

*By Ariana and Spica*

### **PTA news**

#### **PTA School Summer Fete - Sunday 5 July 2026 1pm - 4pm**

Come one and all to the summer event of the year! Join our wonderful school community for this year's Summer Fete and enjoy good food, fun activities, and exciting raffle prizes.

To beat the queues, we're trying something a bit new this year to encourage as many of you as possible to book in advance. If you book [online](#), tickets are £4 adult and £2 child. On the day it will be £5 adult and £3 child. As always, if there are any families needing support with buying tickets, please don't hesitate to come to the office or email.

#### **Raffle**

Our ever popular raffle will be back. If anyone can offer any exciting raffle prizes, please do send an email to the PTA ([newnhamcroftpta@gmail.com](mailto:newnhamcroftpta@gmail.com)).

## Many hands make a school summer fete

The success of the Summer Fete always depends on many helping hands, so please do put yourself forward to help with either setting up, scooping yummy ice cream, serving food, playing bar tender, keeping an eye on the inflatable, or welcoming one and all at the gate. It is incredibly helpful to know in advance who can help out, so please do put your name down [here](#) as a volunteer.

## Community news

### Cambridge United 2026/27 Season Female Pathway Talent ID Sessions Now Live!!

We have Talent ID Sessions for outfield players and goalkeepers and are looking for players from 7 years old to 16 years old to join our pathway. Please see details of the upcoming Female Pathway Talent ID Sessions here:

#### **Thursday 9th July at Long Road, St Marys Homerton Sports Ground - outfield**

6:00pm to 7:00pm - for age groups U10 to U16

#### **Thursday 30th July at Comberton Village College - outfield**

9:30am to 10:30am for age groups U8 to U11

10:30am to 11:30am for age groups U12 to U16

#### **Friday 14th August at Swavesey Village College - outfield**

1:00pm to 2:00pm for age groups U8 to U11

2:00pm to 3:00pm for age groups U12 to U16

#### **Monday 17th August at Bottisham Village College – outfield and goalkeeper**

5:00pm to 6:00pm for age groups U8 to U12

6:00pm to 7:00pm for age groups U13 to U16

#### **Friday 28th August at Comberton Village College - outfield**

9:30am to 10:30am for age groups U8 to U11

10:30am to 11:30am for age groups U12 to U16

So grab your boots and come experience the Cambridge United Female Pathway. To register for an upcoming sessions, please visit our website here for more details:

Girls Outfield Talent ID Sessions - [The Cledara Abbey Stadium Ticket Ordering](#)

Girls Goalkeeper Talent ID Sessions - [The Cledara Abbey Stadium Ticket Ordering](#)

Or email us on [vdgirls@cambridgeunited.com](mailto:vdgirls@cambridgeunited.com) for any questions!

## Tennis Talent Fun Day



**Cambridge**  
LAWN TENNIS CLUB

A FUN TENNIS TALENT DAY DESIGNED TO IDENTIFY PROMISING YOUNG ATHLETES

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FOR CHILDREN BORN IN 2019 AND 2020

Cambridge Lawn Tennis Club are inviting energetic and sporty children born in 2019 and 2020 to a **FREE** tennis talent fun day. This session is designed to identify children who show strong athletic potential, coordination, listening skills and enthusiasm for sport in a fun and positive environment.

Led by our experienced coaching team, children will take part in exciting tennis activities, movement games and skill challenges inspired by the early development pathways used by top players such as Emma Raducanu and Carlos Alcaraz.

**CAMBRIDGE LAWN TENNIS CLUB HAS A STRONG REPUTATION FOR DEVELOPING YOUNG PLAYERS.**  
Our coaching programme has helped many young players progress into team tennis and competitive play.

- ATHLETIC POTENTIAL**  
We look for energy, agility and a love of being active.
- MOVEMENT & COORDINATION**  
Fun games to develop balance, control and movement skills.
- COACH ASSESSMENT**  
Expert coaches will identify promise and provide feedback in a supportive environment.
- FUN SKILL CHALLENGES**  
Exciting tennis activities designed to bring out the best in every child.

**THINK YOUR CHILD HAS WHAT IT TAKES? SIGN UP BY WEDNESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> JULY 2026**

Scan the QR code to complete the entry form.

**LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE**  
Early registration recommended.

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A positive, ambitious environment where young athletes can grow, learn and reach their potential.  
*We can't wait to see you!* ♥

**FREE TALENT FUN DAY!**

**SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2026**

**4:00 PM – 5:30 PM**

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