



# Newnham News

Friday 6 March 2020

Headteacher: Mr Andy Matthews

Attachments

Dear Parents, Carers and Children

It's been a week of books, trips and handwashing this week at school. In line with advice your children will have had a class assembly focusing on hand and respiratory hygiene. We've installed hand gel and extra tissues in classrooms, so hopefully your children will be a little safer from all forms of contagious disease and not just one. There is no new specific advice for school beyond what I sent to you last week. Please be reassured that we are taking all reasonable measures to try and protect your children.

World Book Day yesterday was fabulous and the children took part in creating a whole school story, which we will share with you once completed.

Miss Wakelen's class have been visiting Woburn Safari Park today. Thank you to everyone who lent us booster seats to aid the trip.

Next week is Science week, and we have lots of great activities planned for the children.

If you use Twitter please follow me ([Head@NewnhamCroft](#)), this is a closed group for parents/carers only, where I only accept requests to join from school parents/carers and staff.

Our language for the month of March is Spanish.

English	Spanish
Welcome	Bienvenido
Hello	Hola
Goodbye	Adiós
Good morning	Buenos días
Good afternoon	Buenas tardes
Thank you	Gracias
Sorry	Lo siento
Please	Por favor
Yes	Sí
No	No
Come here	Ven aquí
Well done	Bien hecho

## World Book Day

It's that time of year again! On Thursday we celebrated World Book Day 2020. Each class selected their own theme and we were amazed by the range and inspiration of outfits and other creations that came into school. The staff and pupils sashayed along the Newnham Croft Catwalk (aka the school hall!) and we all applauded their style.

The school have begun writing a shared story called Animal Town. Reception started the story, with the all the other classes adding to it in turn until Year 6 completed the story. Thank you to parents and carers for the huge effort put into making the day such a colourful sensation and to staff for joining in too.



## Year 3/4 Reading Café

This afternoon parents from Year 3 and 4 were invited to school to a reading café, to join the children in sharing a book together. Year 4 provided refreshments.

## Miss Wakelen's Class Visit Woburn Safari Park

R/I have had a fantastic day at Woburn today, enjoying the lovely Spring sunshine with the animals. The giraffes, meerkats, rhino and monkeys entertained the class and a fun day was had by all! Thank you to Mr Jach and Mr Ferguson for driving the minibuses and to Mrs Aston for accompanying the class, along with Miss Wakelen and Miss Blake.



## International Women's Day

Today we celebrated International Women's Day (official global celebrations are on Sunday 8 March) in an assembly recognising the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women.

## Visiting Marine Biologist/Author in Reception

To tie in with World Book Day and our class topic on 'Sharks', the Reception class had the perfect visitor.

Frances Dipper, also known as Georgina's Granny, came to talk to the class about the huge range of sharks and other marine life. Did you know sharks have hundreds of teeth and that they

can have around one hundred babies in their lifetimes? Frances has been a consultant on many marine related books and has also written her own books. She very kindly donated 2 books to the school, including 'A Pocket Guide to Whales, Dolphins and other Marine Animals', which you can find in the school library.



## Parking on Chedworth Street on Saturdays

Can I please remind any parent who might bring their children to one of the Saturday clubs, that parking is restricted on Chedworth Street between 11 am and 2 pm. Can I also ask parents to not sit in their cars with the engines running while dropping and waiting for their children. It is a residential street and residents deserve the peace of their Saturdays to be respected. Thank you.

## Parent Questionnaire

Time is running out for you to complete the Parent questionnaire. This is an online survey, please follow this link <https://forms.gle/qENT94wFIZHXFVLJA>.

If however you are unable to complete the survey online we hope you took the opportunity to grab a paper copy during parent consultations instead.

## School Meals

The school lunch menu after half term will be week 3 of the latest three week cycle. The cost of a school meal is £2.40 per day.

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](http://www.newnhamcroft.cambs.sch.uk)

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

Yours faithfully

Andy Matthews, Headteacher

## School diary dates coming up soon

National Science Week .....	9 Mar
Year 6 Zoology Museum trip .....	11 Mar
Year 5 Zoology Museum trip .....	12 Mar
Music concert 3.15pm .....	13 Mar
Year 5/6 Chemistry lecture .....	11 Mar
Reception Zoology Museum trip .....	18 Mar
Year 3/4 Production 5pm .....	31 Mar
Year 3/4 Production 2pm .....	1 Apr

## PTA NEWS

### Quiz and Pizza Night – TONIGHT!

We're looking forward to the annual school quiz night this evening. Tickets include a welcome drink and delicious pizza. Tickets are £13 per person and can be purchased on the door.

### 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. Go

to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/newnhamcroftpta/?invite=OGP3OI&referral-campaign=s2s> to sign up and find out how it works.

### This term's important dates:

#### March

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Quiz and pizza night

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> PTA AGM. 9am in school hall. All parents welcome

#### April

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> School disco [note: change of date]

## Community News

### POSTPONED: Cambridge Central Asia Navroz Celebrations

#### 9 March 2020, 7-9pm, Jesus College Chapel

Due to health concerns we are compelled to postpone our Navroz celebrations planned for next Monday (9th of March) to a later date in spring. We regret any inconvenience that this may cause you and upsets any plans that you have made. We will be announcing a new date shortly, as soon as the situation becomes clearer.

CCAF Navroz 2020 organising committee