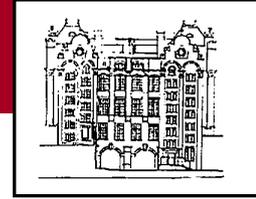




New End News



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Book Week 2018

This year we are celebrating Book Week from **World Book Day** on Thursday, 1st March to Friday, 9th March.

World Book day will see the launch of the "100 Million Minutes" challenge. This challenge will involve everyone at New End trying to collectively read 100 million minutes in a week! Our total time will be announced on Friday, 9th March.



On Friday, 2nd March we will be holding a **Book Character Parade**. Children should come dressed as a favourite book character!

Other activities will include:

- A NESA book-themed **raffle**
- All classrooms creating a **book-themed class door**. Come and have a look at these around the school on Friday, 2nd March between 9 and 9.30am.
- **Drop Everything and Read Day (D.E.A.R)** where a different bell/music will be sounded at certain times of day and everyone will stop what they doing and read for 5 minutes.
- An **author visit** - more information to follow.
- Teacher's sharing favourite books in assemblies
- Teacher's swapping classrooms to read
- A second-hand book sale with refreshments and raffle draw organised by NESA on Friday, 9th March

Events over the next Week

- ◆ Open Classrooms - see section for details

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Attendance and Punctuality Update

Here is the last week's attendance and punctuality.

	Attendance	Unauthorised Absence	No of Lates (no of chn)
RG	93.85%	0% 	5 (4)
RS	94.35%	0.43%	5 (4)
1D	91.98%	0% 	8 (3)
1K	93.48%	0.43%	14 (8)
2B	90.71%	0% 	5 (3)
2E	88.69%	0% 	9 (4)
3C	95.00%	0% 	9 (5)
3P	97.93%	0% 	2 (2)
4T	91.15%	0% 	3 (1)
4W	94.29%	0.71%	5 (3)
5H	97.41%	0% 	6 (4)
5W	94.17%	1.25%	8 (3)
6G	94.29%	0.71%	8 (5)
6J	93.67%	2.33%	16 (8)

Well done RG, 1D, 2B, 2E, 3C, 3P, 4T and 5H - no unauthorised absence!

Attendance across the school last week was 93.62%, with an unauthorised absence level of 0.43%. Remember that good attendance is seen as 96% or better. Attendance to date this academic year is 95.07% with an unauthorised absence level of 0.66%. Let's keep working together to improve these figures even further! Parents and carers are reminded that any absence from school is considered an absence on your child's record.

When your child is not in school, they are always noted as being absent. There appears to be some need to clarify what we mean by authorised and unauthorised absence.

Authorised absence is noted when you contact us and explain the reason for your child's absence or your absence has been agreed in advance. This could be illness, a medical / dental appointment that could not be arranged for outside of school hours, a family bereavement or an agreed period of leave.

Unauthorised absence is when you, as parents, do not provide the school for a reason for absence or you take leave without the schools approval.

As a school we really appreciate the fact that so many of you do call on the day of your child's absence to let us know the reason why they are not in school. We send text messages if we do not hear from you and follow this up with a call if we get no response. If no reason is provided after all our attempts, the absence stays unauthorised and is recorded on your child's records and annual reports which are passed onto their next school at either primary or secondary level.

Secondary Schools - Where do New End children move onto?

A number of parents have asked where children move onto after finishing at New End. We usually have 24-33% of children move into the private sector with the remaining children attending either a Camden or other local authority school close to their home.

Here is a list of the schools children moved onto last year:

State - Achland Burghley, Beaumont St Albans, Camden School For Girls, Christ College Finchley, Finchley Catholic Boys, Fortismere, Greigg Academy, Hampstead, Haverstock, Hendon, JCOS, Maria Fidelis, Parliament Hill, St Marys and St Johns Hendon, UCL, William Ellis (Previous years have included Compton, Henrietta Barnett, JFS, Marylebone School for Boys, QE Boys, Quintin Kynaston - now Harris Academy St Johns Woods, St Marylebone)

Private - Arts Education School, Francis Holland, Highgate, King Alfred, North London Collegiate, Northbridge House, St Pauls Girls, Westminster (Previous years have included Belmont, City of London Boys, City of London Girls, Francis Holland, Islamia Girls, Queens College, South Hampstead, St Pauls)

Assisting on trips

If parents and carers are interested in accompanying their child's class on a trip, they must have a completed DBS police check. This is to ensure the safety of all the children. DBS checks take several weeks to be approved, so if you think you might be available for future trips, it is better to complete a form now. Forms and information are available from the school office.

PE and Swimming

PE is a **compulsory** part of the National Curriculum. This includes swimming. **If children are well enough to be in school, they are well enough to be doing PE!!** If they have an injury (eg: sprain) that allows them to be in school but doing PE could exacerbate the injury, parents must send in a note explaining this. Too many children are coming into school without PE or swimming kits in an attempt to avoid it. All attempts will be made to find spare clothes for children arriving in schools without kits. We are keeping a record and children not completing PE or swimming will have it recorded on their annual reports which are considered in private school secondary applications as well as passed on to all secondary schools. Thank you for your ongoing co-operation.

Stop Spreading those Germs!

Policy for Children returning to school after illness

Children who are ill should not be in school in order that germs are not spread to other children and staff. If children are not well in the morning, they are not well! We have had to send home a lot of children this week before lunchtime (and even playtime!) who then tell us that they informed their parents they felt unwell before they came to school. These unwell children are therefore passing on their germs to other children and staff - a situation that could have been avoided!

Parents are reminded that children should remain at home until they are fit and well for school. In cases where:

- Children who have had a **fever** should be clear of the temperature for 24 hours before returning to school.
- Children who have had a reaction to something, have no fever and have vomited once should be clear for 24 hours before returning to school.
- Children who have had **diarrhoea and / or vomited more than once with a fever** should be clear for 48 hours before returning to school. **This is the NHS guideline.**

Thank you for your ongoing co-operation.

Computing News in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

All the children have been working hard in their coding lessons.

Reception have been playing simple coding board games, learning how to give instructions to move Paddington in different directions.



Year 1 have been using direction commands to draw simple pictures on iPads.



Year 2 have started to give a sequence of instructions to move sprites around on a screen.

More next week!

Max Wainwright

NESA News

International Quiz Night - 24 March 2018

Tickets on sale now!

Volunteers needed to help on the night. If anyone would like to help with food prep and set up or to run the bar, please get in touch.

Popcorn Movie Sunday - 4 March

Come along to school and watch a movie with your friends. Snuggle up with your favourite toy, a comfy cushion and munch some popcorn laughing at the hilarious Boss Baby. We'll have a second movie but haven't quite made up our minds what it will be, so watch this space. Parents/carers will need to stay but we will have plenty of tea, coffee and cake on sale while you have a chat with old friends and new. Just £2 per child. No need to book in advance, just turn up.

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Parent-Teacher Meetings

Parent - Teacher Meetings will be held in the final week before the half term break (week beginning Monday, 5th February). These meetings will provide you with an opportunity to discuss how your child is progressing in class. Teachers will display the times available from **Tuesday, 30th January**. Support Teachers will also be available to meet with you if your child receives extra tuition from them - please speak to them directly. Sign up sheets will be available every day in the lower hall from 8.45-9.15am.

Don't forget...Open Classrooms

Open mornings take place in each classroom next week. These sessions will provide parents and carers with the opportunity to share some of their child's learning such as looking at their class displays and looking through their child's work. Class teachers have juggled trips, PE, Music, photograph day, etc to agree a date that best suits each year group this term. Classrooms will be opened from 9.15-9.45am on the following dates:

Monday, 29 th January	Year Five
Tuesday, 30 th January	Reception, Year One
Wednesday, 31 st January	Nursery, Year Two
Thursday, 1 st February	Year Three, Year Four
Friday, 2 nd February	Year Six

We hope to see you there!

Goodbye Lost Property

Once again we have gathered a lot of lost property. This includes dishes that still have not been collected from International Food Evening and the Winter Fair! Everything will be put out in the final week of term - from the afternoon of Monday, 5th February to the end of day on Wednesday, 7th February. Anything left by the end of Wednesday will be passed onto charity.

And Finally

The number of parents repeatedly arriving late to collect their children is increasing. Although the school day may be finished, the day is not over for staff who continue to work much later into the day!

From next Monday, parents who collect their child / children late will be required to give a reason which will be recorded just as we do for children arriving late in the morning. Parents who continue to be repeatedly late in collecting their child / children may find that they are sent to after school club and you will have to pay the fee for being in that club.

Thank you to the vast majority of parents who are never late.

Continue to take care of yourselves and look out for each other.



Karyn Ray Headteacher

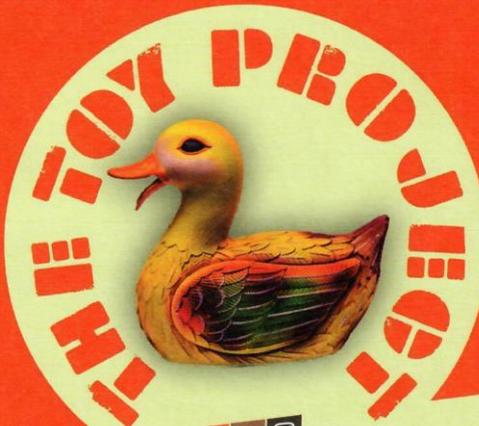
PS Thanks to the parents who attended yesterday's Coffee with Karyn. Thank you for the great discussion and ideas. If you have any area you would like to discuss or simply find out more about, please let us know by email head@newend.camden.sch.uk

2017-2018 Dates for your Diary

Wed, 24 th January	Coffee with Karyn - 9.15am
W/B 29 th January	Open Classrooms
Mon, 5 th February	4T Class Assembly
W/B 5 th February	Parent-Teacher Meetings
Thurs, 8 th February	Y6 Treats Sale
Mon, 12 th - Fri, 16 th February	Half Term
Fri, 23 rd February	Star Assemblies
Thurs, 1st March	World Book Day and start of New End's Book Week
Sun, 4th March	NESA Movie and Popcorn afternoon
Mon, 5 th March	1D Class Assembly
Mon, 12 th March	4W Class Assembly
Mon, 19 th March	3C Class Assembly
Sat, 24 th March	NESA Quiz Night
Mon, 26 th March	RS Class Assembly
Thurs, 29 th March	Last Day of Spring Term
Mon, 16 th April	Children return for the start of the Summer term
Fri, 20 th April	Star Assemblies
Mon, 30 th April	RG Class Assembly
May	KS1 (Y2) Testing Period
Thurs, 3 rd May	INSET DAY / POLLING DAY
W/B 14 th May	Year Six SATs
21 st - 25 th May	Year Six School Journey
Mon, 21 st May	1K Class Assembly
Mon, 28 th May - Fri, 1 st June	Half Term
Fri, 8 th June	Star Assemblies
W/B 11 th June	Year One Phonic Screening
Mon, 11 th June	Nursery Class Assembly
Mon, 18 th June	2B Class Assembly
Mon, 16 th July	3P Class Assembly
Fri, 20 th July	Last Day of Academic year - School closes at 1.30pm
Mon, 23 rd July	INSET Day

IF A DATE CHANGES OR IS ADDED, IT WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED IN THIS SECTION.

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