



ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 25 - 20th March 2024



Dear Parents & Carers,

The end of Spring term is fast approaching, and therefore after school clubs for the Summer Term will go on sale later this week.

Summer Term After School Clubs will run from Monday 22 April until approximately the first week of July (10 weeks in most instances). To purchase a club for your child – log into Parentmail from **Friday 22nd March – 8.00am**. There are limited places available and purchases are first come first served.

If you need more information, please email the school office (info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk) or check on the relevant page on the school website.

Sue Ferguson & Janice Owen-Amadasun

General Information

The week beginning April 15th 2024, we will be holding a very special International Week, to celebrate the diversity of our school and the community in which we live. The week will end with an international community event and celebration. We need as many of our parents and carers as possible to get involved. Please see the flyer below and if you have any questions, please speak to Ms Osobu or Ms Kahraman.



The flyer features a central illustration of a green and blue globe with white clouds. The text 'International community event' is written in a white, cursive font, arching over the top of the globe. Below the globe, the date and time 'Friday 19th April 3:30pm-4:30pm' are written in a white, sans-serif font. The main body of text, also in white sans-serif font, reads: 'We invite you to bring along food from your own cultures, and volunteer your expertise through henna, hair braiding and more! Please add your name to the sign up list if you can help! We look forward to celebrating diversity with you'. At the bottom left, a note states: 'Please note, we are only able to accept food with a full list of ingredients and no nuts included.' At the bottom right, there is a small circular logo with the school's name and a yellow and blue design.

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Gymnastics Festival winners!

Last Friday, our afterschool gymnastics club competed in a Gymnastics Festival.

Competing against seven other schools, **our team came 1st!**

They were amazing role models and their determination to learn and remember the choreography, designed by Miss Chantelle, was impressive.

EWPS are so proud of them!

Miss Dains

Cinema Trips

Year 4 and Year 6 really enjoyed their trip to Dagenham Vue Cinema, last Tuesday morning. Despite the rain, they remained cheerful and their behaviour was a credit to the school. A huge thanks to the parent volunteers who came with us- in many cases, we could not go on trips without your support. The film was on the theme of friendship and the importance of imagination.

Year 2, Year 3 and Year 5 visited the cinema later in the week. The visits were organised as part of pupil well-being initiatives within the school. Year 5 particularly enjoyed watching the modern animated adaptation of Oscar Wilde's 'Canterbury Ghost'. They found the film funny, adventurous and intense at times. Some of us even found it a little emotional! The children behaved spectacularly and very much enjoyed the opportunity.

Science Week

This week is Science Week and the theme for 2024 is 'time'.

This year is extra special because it is the 30th anniversary of British Science Week! Time is all around us, all of the time! From the ticking of a clock, to the movement of shadows and the changing of seasons. We can see the effects of time passing on our planet.



During this week, why not explore the life cycles of animals, look at the movement of the Earth by creating a sundial or investigate changes in state. You could even try out some of these activities at home:

- KS1 Home Learning link 5-7 year olds:
<https://collectionslibrary.crestawards.org/star-home-learning/63263936>
- KS2 Home Learning link 7-11 year olds:
<https://collectionslibrary.crestawards.org/superstar-home-learning/63241423>



You could even create a project based on time or take part in the science poster competition (due by 22/3/24).

Whatever you do, have fun doing it!

Miss Burchell (Science Lead)

Y4 Bread making workshop

Last Friday, Year 4 took part in a bread making workshop, with Juniper, as part of their DT unit. The children learnt about different types of bread and how each of them are made.

They also had the opportunity to make four different types of bread (tomato, cinnamon, olive and cheese), honing their cooking skills, whilst also having a great deal of fun!



Miss Burchell



We are excited to announce that we have a community organisation, Curious by Nature, who would like to offer Forest School outdoor learning sessions to our children at EWPS this Summer term!

The sessions will run from 3.30pm to 5.30pm Tuesdays for children in Y2-Y6. Please note, this is not being run by Ellen Wilkinson Primary School.

Please be mindful, this is a Forest School and children will be outdoors every week.

Places are limited so please get in touch with Ms. Julie Baker if you are interested.

For more information please look at their website; <https://www.curiousbynaturelondon.co.uk/>

Easter Raffle

A reminder that this week we will be selling raffle tickets for our Easter raffle. Children will have the chance to win a cuddly (and very fluffy) Easter bunny or an Easter Egg. If your child would like to buy a ticket, they need to give their money to their class teacher. Tickets will then be issued at the end of the school day.

Tickets are 25p each or 5 for £1

The raffle will be picked on Thursday 28th of March, during the whole school assembly. *Proceeds raised will be going to school funds and spent on resources for the pupils and their learning.*

Mrs Willis

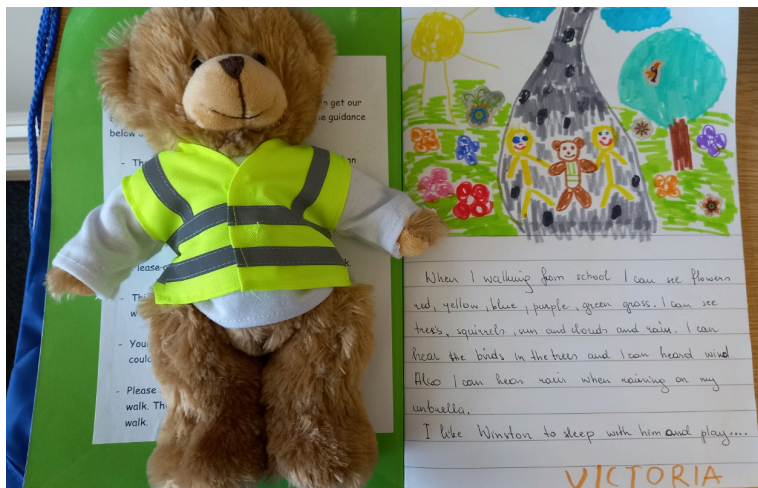
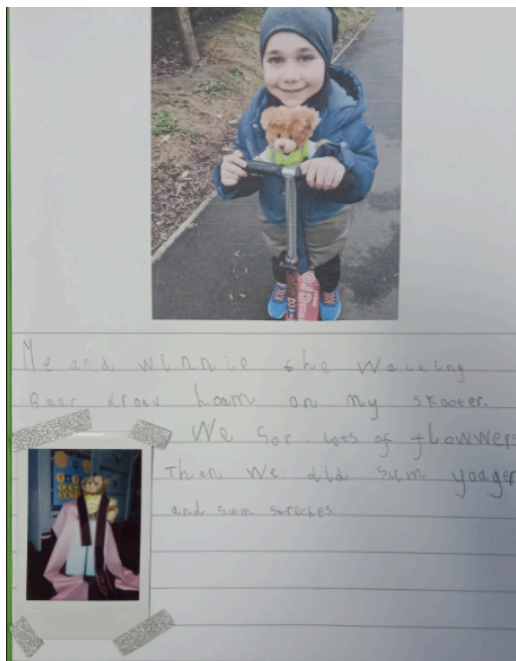


Nursery and Reception have new visitors!

They have been visited by Willow, Winston, Winnie and Wilbur- The Walking Bears.

The children in these classes have been taking the bears home and bringing them out for different walks. They then wrote about where they went and what they saw on their walk.

We look forward to seeing where the bears are going to get to!



Diary dates - March

Thurs 21st	2.45 pm	Hall	Year 1 Lionfish Sharing Assembly
Thurs 28th			Last day of term - normal finish time of 3:15pm
April			
Easter holidays 29th March - 12th April.			
Year 6 Easter revision sessions: 2nd- 5th April (Year 6 parents, please see letter for times & details)			
Mon 15th			First day back after Easter break.

House Winners and Stars of the Week - 15/03/2024

House Winners

Every child is in one of our five houses. They can earn points for their house by showing our 5 school values and by supporting other children in the school.

Each week, the House with the most points becomes House of the Week. They have a star added to their chart in the hall. The House with the most stars at the end of the year gets an afternoon at the park with ice lollies too!

Last week's House winners were: Blue House - Michael Rosen

	Kathee Johnson	Malalah Yousafzai	Michael Rosen	Ade Adepitan	Marcus Rashford
Guppy 1	Markas	Tomasz	Cataleia	Jokubas	Khalid
Guppy 2	Holly	Aleeza	Anastasia	Mayla	Jacklin
Lionfish	Zara V	Safeeya	Marnie	Aliza	Jowain
Clownfish	Otilia	Matondo	Khushpreet	Aurora	Ahmad
Jellyfish	Arham	Layla	Gervanni	Neyara	Amelia
Starfish	Izabella	Aariz	Aisha	Hamdan	Samara
Turtle	Avaya	Isabelle	Ayden	Austeja	Oliver
Lobster	Meta	Kevinas	Reece	Khalid	Gaia
Stingray	Matteo	Amina	Nojus	Lakshana	Eliana
Dolphin	Vesta	Sneeha	Hussain	Elena	Tyler
Shark	Steven	Nuelf	Alan	Keiaana	Maya
Whale	Deinz	Sofiia	Ashaz	Afia	Ulliel

Please note: as Year 4 pupils were in a bread workshop during the celebration assembly, there will be two lots of stars, as well as work of the week in next week's assembly.

Work of the Week (only 1 per year group)

Year	Child	Context of work
Rec	Sara	For working hard with her writing and phonics - well done!
1	Kayla	For creating an informative fact file about eggs.
2	Dennis	For achieving full marks in his spelling test
3	Khalid	For trying exceptionally hard to improve his handwriting.
5	Eliana	For making the biggest improvement in handwriting in our class so far!
6	Nuelf	For completing his Maths work with confidence.

Certificate Mentions

Certificate	Class	Who?
TTRS Support Act (Under 5 seconds)	Lobster	Adomas
TTRS Rock Stars (Under 3 seconds)	Lobster	Dawud
TTRS Rock Hero (Under 1 second)	Lobster	Ridwan, Robert

Lexia	Jellyfish Octopus Seahorse Dolphin Stingray Whale	Freddy Level 3 Luca Level 10 Denista Level 5 Kemi Level 9 Simon Level 15 Amina Level 17 Armani Level 9
Pen Licence	Whale	Fisayo

Special Mentions (non certificate)

Whole of Year 5	Your behaviour to, inside and from the cinema was fantastic as always. Yet again you have shown to be brilliant representatives of our school. We hope you had fun! <i>Miss Dualeh, Mr Hanif, Ms Davison & Ms Johnson.</i>
Year 2 and Year 3	Your teachers are extremely proud of you and your behaviour on the trip to the cinema. Well Done to you all! <i>Mr Islam, Miss Adams, Mrs Willis.</i>
Karolis - Turtle Class	For showing excellent manners on the train to and from the trip. An extra special well done for offering your seats to ALL of the passengers on the train too! A very big well done!
Robert - Turtle Class	An extra special mention for Robert as he made the announcements for all the children, staff AND passengers on the train for each stop and shared amazing facts about the origins of the London Underground! A very big well done!

Community, Wellbeing and Support



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Our latest magazine will be distributed across the borough, but you can also view online today right now.

Read our interview with award-winning music producer Lord Kimo, who talks about his involvement with our London Borough of Culture bid, and how vital he believes culture is for Newham's communities. You'll also hear from local people transforming the borough through their People Powered Places community projects – and find out how you can play your part in local change too.

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COMMUNITY LITTER PICK

SATURDAY 23rd MARCH 2024

10AM TO 1PM

MEET ON THE GRASS OPPOSITE
100 EVELYN DENNINGTON ROAD
E6 5YJ

All equipment and refreshments
provided

