



## Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our second newsletter of the year. As you will see it includes not only information about upcoming events but also details about pupil achievements and some helpful hints and tips. This week I would like to draw your attention to the following areas:

1. **Parents meeting** – *please try and attend as this will give you a clear idea of what your child will be learning this year and how you can support them. The session is only 30 minutes long and it also provides time for you to meet their teachers and ask any questions you may have.*
2. **Mothers Safeguarding Champions** – *we are very excited that we have been able to signpost this opportunity to provide helpful advice on how to keep your children safe online.*
3. **Science Gilt Mark** – *as you know we are committed to ensuring your child has the very best educational experience and outcomes in all curriculum areas. A particular thank you to staff and particularly Ms Rumah, our science lead, for all their hard work in developing this aspect of our curriculum.*

Sue Ferguson

## Science Gilt Mark

We are delighted to inform you that our submission for Primary Science Quality Mark Gilt Award has been successful. EWPS was one of only 230 schools to have achieved this nationally recognised status this year.

The Science award recognises schools which have a clear vision for the teaching and learning of science and can evidence how this is used to engage children and promote the best outcomes to inspire young scientists of the future. Thank you to everyone for their hard work and continued support.

Mrs Rumah

## Parents Meeting – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September

Next Monday every year group is hosting an information event after school. This will include expectations for the year, topics that your children will cover and how you can help at home. Most importantly it also provides you the opportunity to ask questions you may have.

The session will run for 30 minutes from 3.30 – 4.00. Please collect your child as usual from the class door and then when all the children are collected staff will let you into the classroom.

The meeting is repeated again at 4.00-4.30 as we are aware that parents have children in more than one year group. If you have more than two children in the school please speak to a member of staff at the gate and we will ensure you get information from all relevant year groups.



## After School Club Provision

Letters about club allocations are being sent out this week and clubs start next week. Please remember that:

- Clubs run for 10 week blocks.
- They cost **£1.50 per session**. **The 10 week block must be paid in advance of**





### your child starting that club.

- If your child chooses to no longer attend, no refund will be issued unless we are able to fill their space.
- Clubs are **FREE** If we have confirmation that your child has been accepted as eligible for free school meals
- If we do not have sufficient uptake for certain clubs these will not run as we can no longer financially support this.
- If a club is oversubscribed we operate a waiting list system.



### Mothers Safeguarding Champions

Please take time to read the attached flyer about this opportunity to learn more about how to keep your children safe online. The sessions start next month and will run for an hour a week for 9 weeks. The course is free and refreshments are provided. You don't need any previous experience of the internet or social media to attend. If you are interested please contact the number on the flyer or speak to someone at the main school gate.



### Playground Repairs

You may have noticed that certain areas of our playground and climbing equipment are currently fenced off. This is because of issues with subsidence. The building itself is unaffected. We are working closely with the Local Authority to address these issues and work to fix some of the most affected areas begins next month. However this is likely to be a long term project which will go into the summer holidays next year. Therefore please take care when using the site and ensure that at the start and end of the day your children do not go into any areas which are cordoned off. Thank you.



### Piano Lessons

Through our partners Newham Music, we are reviewing if we are able to offer piano lessons during the school day as we have in other years. These lessons are paid for by parents but take place at EWPS using our instruments. In order to make this financially viable we must have at least 8 children signed up. If you are interested in this opportunity for your child, please complete the application pack which attached to this newsletter or register online at [www.newham-music.org.uk](http://www.newham-music.org.uk)



### WANTED: dried and tinned food for our Harvest Festival Celebration.

As part of our Harvest Festival celebrations we are collecting food for the Newham Food Bank (Beckton) which helps local people in crisis. All tinned, packet and dry goods are accepted. So please help us to help others in our community. Mrs Hussain And Mrs Higgins will be in the playground each morning to collect your Donations which need to be sent in by **Thursday 27th September.** Thank you for your help and support.



### Bikes and Scooters

It is lovely to see so many children using bikes and scooters to travel to and from school, and we would like to thank you for making sure that these are walked when entering the playground.



### School Dinners

If you are new to the school and require a copy of the menu please come to main reception or alternatively you can get it from our website. **We are currently on week 3.**



Could I also remind you that if your child has any food allergies that we need to be aware of please contact us as soon as possible so that appropriate measures can be put into place. Thank you.

## Stars of the Week



Our stars are awarded in Friday assemblies to children who have shown particular commitment to our school values during the week. To say thank you we ask them to come to the front in our assembly and they can choose a friend to sit with them at their own special table at lunchtime that day.



Class	Name	Value(s)
6 Shark	Youssef	<b>Successful</b> (For a successful start to the year in all aspects: work, attitude and behaviour)
6 Whale	Katherine	<b>Inspire</b> (For inspiring the class with her fantastic contributions to class discussions)
5 Dolphin	Nidda	<b>Inspire</b> (For her inspirational behaviour and attitude)
5 Stingray	Kainas	<b>Inspire</b> (For his outstanding work ethic, resilience and success in Maths this week)
4 Octopus	Mollie	<b>Inspire</b> (For inspiring others with her beautiful presentation and hard work. Well done)
4 Seahorse	Archie	<b>Successful</b> (For beautiful writing and thoughts in RE)
3 Lobster	Jayden	<b>Successful</b> (For settling into the Ellen Wilkinson family)
3 Turtle	Evanas	<b>Successful</b> (For settling into his new class)
2 Jellyfish	Donne	<b>Successful</b> (For successfully settling into Ellen Wilkinson school life)
2 Starfish	Mikail	<b>Resilience</b> (For giving his best efforts in every lesson)
1 Clownfish	Daria	<b>Successful</b> (for excellent and independent writing in English! Keep up the good work)
1 Lionfish	Anna	<b>Heard and Cared For</b> (For always sitting quietly on the carpet)
Guppy 1		<i>Will start next half term</i>
Guppy 2		<i>Will start next half term</i>



## House Winners

These will be announced in next weeks newsletter.



## Attendance and Punctuality Winners

Attendance winners for the 5<sup>th</sup> – 7th September are **Guppy 2 and Shark = 100% attendance**

Punctuality winners for the week are: **Whale, Shark, Stingray, Octopus, Lobster, Turtle, Jellyfish, Clownfish, Guppy 1 and Guppy 2 = 0 lates**



## Upcoming Diary Dates

### SEPTEMBER



Date	Time(s)	Year Group(s)	Details	Parent Event?
Mon 24th	3.30 -4.00 4.00 – 4.30	All	Q1 – Parent meeting (Focus: end of year expectations, homework and how to help your child at home)	<b>YES</b>
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m & 2.15 p.m. <i>(event repeated)</i>	N & R	Parent Meeting – Attendance & Punctuality	<b>YES</b>
Thu 27 <sup>th</sup>	2.45 p.m.	5D	Dolphin class assembly	<b>YES</b>
Fri 28th	10.00 a.m.	All	Harvest Festival	<b>NO</b>

### OCTOBER

Date	Time(s)	Year Group(s)	Details	Parent Event?
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w/b: 1st	All week	All	World Maths Day (x1 day)	<b>NO</b>
Mon 1st	2.30 – 3.15	6	Parents meeting – Fair Play House	<b>YES</b>
Tues 2nd	11 – 3.00	TBC	30 children & 5 adults @ International Hockey (Stratford)	<b>NO</b>
Thu 4th	2.45 p.m.	2S	Starfish class assembly	<b>YES</b>
Weds 10 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 p.m.	N & R	Parents workshop - How to help your child with phonics	<b>YES</b>
Thu 11 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 - 10.15 a.m.	R	Stay & Play	<b>YES</b>
	8.45 – 10.00 a.m.	N (a.m.)		
	12.45 – 2.00 p.m	N (p.m.)		
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup>	3.30 – 7 p.m	6	Year 6 Parents evening	<b>YES</b>
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 & ½ hourly sessions through evening	6	Parents meeting – KS2 SATs	<b>YES</b>
Thu 11 <sup>th</sup>	2.45 p.m.	4	Seahorse class assembly	<b>YES</b>
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup>	1.15pm	R - 4	Flu Vaccine	<b>NO</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup>	N/A	6	Year 6 @ Fair Play House	<b>NO</b>
Thu 18 <sup>th</sup>	3.30 – 7 p.m.	N - 5	Parents evening	<b>YES</b>
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>All</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>	