



Headteachers Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! It has been lovely to see how everyone has come back so refreshed and how well the children have all settled into their new classes. A particularly warm welcome to any new children to EWPS including those in Reception and Nursery as they join our community.



We are very pleased that 2018-19 was another very successful year for the school and we are looking forward to building on that success for 2019-20. As you know we had our Ofsted visit on the last week of term. We are just awaiting the final report and will then of course be sharing it with you.

As we have so many new families joining us ,we are sending out this newsletter by email and as a hard copy. The term and diary dates will also be sent out this way tomorrow. However from next week the newsletter will only be sent to you on a Wednesday by email as usual. Therefore please check your emails and if it does not come through speak to your child's class teacher or the main office so you don't miss anything.

We look forward to continuing to work in partnership with all parents so that our children can have another successful year.

Sue Ferguson

General Messages

Punctuality

At EWPS we expect all children to be in school on time. Therefore please make sure your child is in the playground for 8.50 in the morning.

Thank you.



School uniform

Thank you to all parents for making sure your child is wearing the correct school uniform, the children looked wonderful today! Just a gentle reminder please that school shoes should be plain black and any hair accessories need to be in the school colours please.

Clubs

Details of the after school clubs that are available this year are being sent out next Wednesday (11th) and we are aiming for them to start the week of the 23rd September. Please note that once a club has been allocated payment must be made in advance.



Please Note

Term date cards and provisional school event dates will be sent out tomorrow.

Communication

As we all know, children are happiest and succeed when schools and parents work in partnership. We want and need you to be part of your child's education! To support this there are several ways for us to communicate.

Whole School Newsletters

These are sent by email every Wednesday and provide information about all aspects of EWPS including upcoming events. They are also put onto our website.



Speaking to a member of staff at the gate

We endeavour to always have staff at the playground gates at the start and end of the day, so if you have any questions or there is something you would like us to know please feel free to speak to us.

Speak to your child's class teacher

Your child's teacher will be more than happy to speak to you at the start and end of the day. However if it is something that may need a little time or is confidential we would ask that you arrange a mutually convenient time to meet.



Home School Communication Books

Your child will be given their book today. Important whole class messages will be sent through this. There may also be information specific to your child. The book should be kept in your child's book bag. Please ensure that you check them at least once a week and sign the page. There is also space for your comments/questions too as we realise that work and family commitments mean that not all our parents are able to collect their child each day. However if there is something urgent or confidential we recommend you ring the school instead.



Speak to the School Office Staff

Our office staff are always happy to help, so please feel free to call us on **02075119414** or pop in. They can also help you make an appointment or signpost you to the best person to talk to.



Email or write us

Although we would always prefer to speak directly to you, we realise that this isn't always possible so you can always email us on info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk



Attend events and/or collect the information from our website

We run a number of parent information events throughout the year and the times and dates will be sent out tomorrow so that you can put them in your diaries. www.ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk

Year 6 Fairplay House

Meeting

The Fairplay House information meeting will take place on **Wednesday 18th September at 2.30 pm**. Please come to the main office .

Upcoming Diary Dates

Year 6 Secondary Transition

The information meeting for parents about choosing secondary schools is on **Wednesday 11th September at 2.30 & repeated again at 5pm**. Secondary booklets were distributed earlier this week & you can access a virtual copy on our website in the parent tab.



School photographs



Children's individual photographs are booked in for **Wednesday 18th September**. Please note we will also do sibling groups at this point but only for children who attend EWPS.