



## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

### COVID-19 (Coronavirus)

All schools are now being updated on a regular basis as official guidance from Public Health England and the Department for Education in light of the rapidly changing national situation. Therefore yesterday I sent out the latest update and details of what the school is doing to promote good hygiene and mitigate risk. This information is now also on our website.

I can confirm that we have spoken to all the children today (in age appropriate groups) about the importance of good hygiene including washing hand regularly. As part of this we used the NHS video which shows how to do this for the 20 seconds by humming happy birthday twice. This video will be playing in each classroom each morning and is on our outside signage.



We strongly suggest that parents take time to look at this so the same message can be reinforced at home. The link for this is:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/>

Remember there is a DfE helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

**Phone: 0800 046 8687**

**Email: [DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk](mailto:DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk)**

**Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)**

Thank you again for your support in helping us to reassure your children and to not cause undue alarm at this time. I will, of course, be back in touch should the need arise.

Sue Ferguson

## REMINDER - WORLD BOOK DAY

As it is World Book Day on THURSDAY 5TH MARCH 2020, children will be able to dress up as a character from any Roald Dahl text. The most creative and home-made costumes will be awarded a prize.

Children will also get the opportunity to hear different adults read their favourite children's books to them throughout the day. If you would also like to come in on that day and read a short story to a small group of children or 1:1, please let your child's teacher know and they will give you a time slot. Thank you.



**Ms Burchell, Ms Khan & Ms  
Sreedharan**

## General Messages

### FREE Cycle Training

Did you know that anyone who lives, works or goes to school in Newham can get 4 hours of FREE bike training?

To access this please contact Cycle Confident via their website:  
**[www.cycleconfident.com](http://www.cycleconfident.com)**  
Ms Dains



## Maths — Tables



Helping your child learn their multiplication tables is probably one of the most helpful things you can do to support their maths. Use YouTube to find songs to help or even chant them on the way to school!

**Mr Hanif**

## Learning Tips

## Writing



Encourage children to read a variety of genres; non-fiction, fantasy, science fiction, adventure etc. Seeing models of good writing will always improve the reader's own writing. **Ms Khan**

## Reading — DEAR

Why not make reading a bit more exciting and have a DEAR day? This means that every member of the family can call DEAR at any time of the day and everyone has to Drop Everything And Read!

**Ms Burchell**

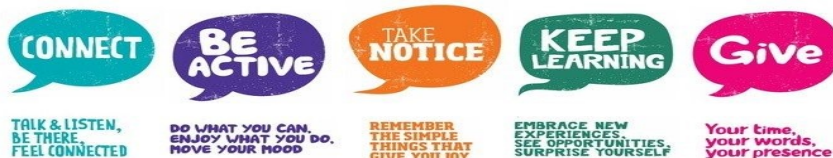


## Online Safety



We have lots of ideas and advice about how to keep your child safe online. Ask for us to send you a booklet or go to our website and click on the parent zone and then e-safety tips.

## Wellbeing



## Upcoming Diary Dates



### MARCH

Date	Time(s)	Year Group(s)	Details	Parent Event?
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup>	N/A	All	World Book Day	NO
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup>	3-3.45pm	All	Q3 – Parent Fair (Arts Focus)	YES
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 p.m.	5	Year 5 Fair Play House parents meeting	YES
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	2.45 p.m.	5	Stingray class assembly	YES
16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 – 10.45	R-6	Mother's Day gifts on sale (charity fundraiser)	NO
TBC	3.15 – 3.45 p.m.	All	Book Fair	YES
Thu 19 <sup>th</sup>	2.45 p.m.	5	Dolphin class assembly	YES
Thu 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 - 10.15 a.m.	R	Stay & Play	YES
	8.45 – 10.00 a.m.	N (a.m.)		YES
	12.45 – 2.00 p.m	N (p.m.)		YES
Thu 26 <sup>th</sup>	2.45 p.m.	6	Shark class assembly	YES
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	N/A	All	Global Awareness Day	NO

### APRIL

Date	Time(s)	Year Group(s)	Details	Parent Event?
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup>	2.45 p.m.	4	Seahorse class assembly	YES
<b>Fri 3<sup>rd</sup></b>		<b>ALL</b>	<b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL. SCHOOL FINISHES AT NORMAL TIME</b>	
<b>6<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>	
<b>Mon 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8.55 a.m.</b>	<b>N-6</b>	<b>FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL</b>	

## Congratulations

### 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 stand up in our assembly and they get to use the climbing equipment at lunchtime that day.

This year based on the feedback from parents, pupils and staff we have changed the format so that 5 stars are awarded for each class—1 for each value.

Value	Heard and Cared For	Resilience	Respect	Successful	Inspire
<b>Led by House</b>	<b>Mo Farah</b>	<b>Evelyn Glennie</b>	<b>Nelson Mandela</b>	<b>J K Rowling</b>	<b>Albert Einstein</b>
Guppy 1	Amelia	Damian	Diana	Dragos	Matan
Guppy 2	Elias	Aroush	Zain	Natalie	Luca
Clownfish	Elena	Simon	Eidanas	Aleena	Jay
Lionfish	Sofia	Eliana	David	Jasmine	Annabel
Jellyfish	Inaaya	Yasin	Kesar	Nicoleta	Nivan
Starfish	Naglis	Arile	Christopher	Maddison	Oliver
Lobster	Lauryn	Kiya	Olivia	Casandra	Peter
Turtle	Adetunrayo	Morgana	Ahmed	Enrikas	Liliana
Octopus	Daniel E	Kadija	Ronnie	Isaac	Tade
Seahorse	Shemi	Hawa	Jayden	Damian	Abdul
Dolphin	Archie	Daniele	Zainab	Agota	Macie
Stingray	Kyran	Amelija	Kiesantis	Adam	Emily
Shark	Madlen	Jamal	Sumaiya	Milana	Andrea
Whale	Harold	Daejon	Atalya	Fifi	Ahat

#### Attendance Winners

**10th—14th February  
Stingray 100%**

#### Punctuality Winners

**Whale and Jellyfish = 0  
lates**

#### House Winners

**Nelson Mandela**