



Dear Parents & Carers,

Return to school agreement

Thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation as we are settling children back into school. To support this further we have attached with this week's newsletter the Return to School Agreement that outlines everyone's responsibilities in relation to the current COVID measures. As we are trying to minimise items going between school and home, this document is for your information only but it is an expectation of the school that everyone follows it. If you have any queries or questions please contact the main office.

Start and end times

Thank you for your support and patience whilst we have been helping everyone to know their correct gates and times. **Please make sure you are on time for drop off and collection as being too early or late risks your families' safety as well as others.**

Meet & Greet

Please see the information at the bottom of the page about the opportunity to virtually meet your child's teacher next Monday.

Thank you for your continued support. Take care and stay safe.

Sue Ferguson



PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ...

NO ADULT OR CHILD SHOULD ATTEND SCHOOL IF THEY OR ANYONE IN THE HOUSEHOLD HAVE HAD COVID SYMPTOMS WITHIN THE LAST 14 DAYS. PLEASE CONTACT THE MAIN OFFICE BY PHONE SO YOU CAN BE ADVISED OF NEXT STEPS. THIS INCLUDES IF A MEMBER OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD IS AWAITING A COVID TEST RESULT.

IF YOUR CHILD OR HOUSEHOLD IS ISOLATING THEY MAY NOT GO OUTSIDE FOR ANY REASON INCLUDING SHOPPING, PLAYING OR COLLECTING OTHER CHILDREN

THANK YOU

Meet your child's teacher

Due to the current set-up of school, we are aware that many of you are eager to meet your child's teacher. Therefore, we have organised a 'Meet and Greet' event on **Monday 21st September,** virtually via Zoom.

As some parents will have more than one child at the school, there will be 3 slots available for each class; feel free to join a slot that is convenient for you.

The available slots will be:

- Session 1: 3:45pm – 4:05pm
- Session 2: 4:05pm – 4:25pm
- Session 3: 4:25pm – 4:45pm

The login details for each class have been sent to your email.





FREE Breakfasts!



Years 1 to 6

We previously informed you that we had secured funding to provide all children from years 1 to 6 with free breakfast items free of charge for two terms (until end of March). These will start being distributed today to families who completed the online form and also to those who are in receipt of Free School Meals (even if you did not complete the form).

Every two weeks your child will come home with a box of cereal and a pack of bagels. Please note we cannot choose the cereal available and that items may be sent home on different days as the suppliers cannot guarantee delivery on the same day each time.

If you would like to receive these items and forgot to apply, please email info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk stating your child's name and class and we will try to put you onto the distribution list.

Reception

We are delighted that we are now able to offer this to Reception children too. Please see the email that was sent to you yesterday and complete the online form.

Thank you

School Photos

The majority of children have had their photograph taken today. However as we have one class isolating and some of our younger children have just started, the photographers will return on **Tuesday 22nd September** for the following classes:

- Year 6 Whale
- Guppy 1 & Guppy 2
- Nursery AM
- Nursery PM



If your child was absent today we will try to get their photo taken on Tuesday but we cannot guarantee this.

Year 6 Parents – Secondary Transfer

All year 6 parents should now be in receipt of the secondary transfer information book.

Mrs Ferguson will be hosting two virtual meetings explaining how to apply for your child's secondary school. These are taking place on **Thursday 17th September 2020 at 12 pm & 6 pm**. The same information will be covered in both meetings so parents can join the time that suits them. Zoom invite details have been sent to your email earlier this week.

FREE Parent advice phone-in with an Educational Psychologist

EPS Parent Advice sessions are offered to any Newham parent or carer who would like to discuss concerns about their child with an educational psychologist (examples may include: your child's emotional well-being, challenging behaviours, learning progress, your relationship with your child or some of your own worries). The sessions aim to be supportive, confidential, and informal. Each session is 40 minutes. See flyer for further details.

Paper packed lunch bags

To support parents with being able to find paper packed lunch bags, we have placed an order so that you will be able to purchase them from the school. Further details will be sent out once we have received delivery.

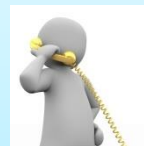


Communication

Remember that if you need to share some information about your child or you have a question; please contact us in the following ways.

Call 020 7511 9414

Email info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk (general enquiries)



If you need to let your child's teacher know something please email them using their year group email address and they will get back to you. This starts with the year group followed by the main email address

year1@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk, year2@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk and so on.

How to apply for Free School Meals

If your family's circumstances have changed, we would strongly suggest you apply if you think you may be eligible.



To apply please follow the link: <https://www.newham.gov.uk/Pages/Services/Free-school-meals.aspx>



SUPPORT FOR UNDER 5'S FROM BECKTON AND ROYAL DOCKS CHILDREN'S CENTRE



Children's Centre Activities

Attached to this newsletter are details of the virtual sessions that the Children's Centre are running daily for under 5's. Why not log on and join us!

Do you have a child under 5? Have you registered them with a Children's Centre?

If not, why not use this opportunity to do so to help you find events and opportunities for you and your child!

Children's Centre registration form

https://newham-self.achieveservice.com/service/Best_Start_in_Life_Registration

The Newham family information service is also really useful with lots of links to different services and support, not just for under 5's.

Newham family services

<https://families.newham.gov.uk/kb5/newham/directory/family.page?familychannel=0>

Do you have children under 5 in your home?

Family Support:

The family support team is there to give advice if needed

Times: available Monday to Friday

07392 196 124 / 07870 365 797

More details are attached to this newsletter

Need to reach out and talk to someone else?