



Dear Parents & Carers,

**Activities next week**

Normal lessons will be taking place for most of next week but some time is being put aside for Christmas activities as the children have had to miss so many of the activities we do normally. One of these activities will be a big sing where the school will sing together out in the playground – socially distanced of course!



**Christmas Dinner & Winter Jumper Day**



This will be on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Children may wear a festive or winter jumper for the day



**Presents**



We know that at this time of year many children and parents like to give presents to the staff and these are truly appreciated. However we also realise that this year is very different from others financially and in relation to safety. There is never any expectation of this from the school but some parents have asked about this because of the current restrictions. Therefore if you are considering this we would ask that look at the information below.

Our two preferences

1. Send us a message – we would love this more than anything as we will collate them and put them up in staff areas. Messages from you and/or your children really are appreciated. Simply click on the link <https://forms.gle/T3imqFQ9TkJcGiob6> or email [info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk](mailto:info@ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk)
2. Make a small donation to a charity in the name of the school

Alternative option - If you do not want to do either of these and still want to give a small item please remember that we have to leave things untouched for 72 hours (therefore flowers probably won't work this year). A box is outside each classroom and used usually for reading books, your child can put an item in here but please make sure it is clearly labelled with the name of who it is for. If you wish staff to be able to take your gifts home for the holidays - ensure they are in by Tuesday to allow for the items to be untouched for 72 hours.



**Parking**



Please can all parents observe the road markings and not park illegally and inconsiderately (including stopping in the middle of the road to let children in and out!) This is a real safety issue when we have so many children and parents crossing. We have in contact with the parking enforcement team and the Local Authority about options going forward if this situation does not improve. Please keep our school safe and park considerately.



**RSHE Consultation**



Thank you to everyone who attended the Zoom meetings, we had over 100 contributions! Please also remember that all parents and carers still have time to complete the online survey, all views matter so please make sure you have your say.

<https://forms.gle/1oJymVJ2DKVKmsp58>

## General Messages

### REMINDERS:

**LAST DAY FOR NURSERY—THURSDAY 17TH DECEMBER (NORMAL TIME)**

**LAST DAY FOR YEARS R-6 —FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER**

### TIMES

**3.00 home children will go home from normal gates at 1.00**

**3.20 home children will go home from normal gates at 1.20**

### Nativity Performances

We are just filming the last sections of the nativities for nursery, Reception and Year 1. The links will be sent to parents in these year groups next week.

Please remember the following:

- The link for this assembly is for parents and carers only, please do not share with other people.
- No stills or footage should be taken.
- Please do not share any aspect on social media in any form.

Thank you

### Christmas Menu –

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December

#### Meat Option (Halal & Non-Halal options)

Roast turkey with chipolata, sage and onion stuffing, carrots, peas and roast potatoes

#### Vegetarian Option

Vegetarian samosa, sage and onion stuffing, carrots, peas and roast potatoes

#### Dessert

Gingerbread biscuit with ice cream or Christmas pudding

## Community Messages

### COVID QUESTION OF THE WEEK

**Q: WHERE CAN I GET EXTRA ADVICE ABOUT COVID?**

**A: You can always check our website and click on the parent tab at the top that provides the latest links to guidance. We have also invited some COVID Ambassadors to meet with parents on Wednesday next week when you are queuing up to collect your children.**

## Learning Tips

### E-Safety Tip

It can be hard to know how to talk to your child about online safety.

From setting up parental controls to advice on sexting, online games and video apps, the NSPCC can help you to understand the risks and keep your child safe. Visit:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>



### Wellbeing and Fitness

Looking for some inspiration about how to keep your children fit and active during this period? Why not try some of the activities on our sporting advent list which is attached to this email?



## Congratulations

### Special Assembly Mention

**Who?** Yasin, Paulina, Armani, Christopher, Steven and Nicholas in year 3

**Why?** For achieving Level 1 certificates in Lexia!

### Special Assembly Mention

**Who?** Adeturayo(40)

**Why?** For his hard work and completing Level 6 of the Lexia program.

### Special Assembly Mention

**Who?** Mikail (4S)

**Why?** For his hard work and completing Level 4 of the Lexia program.

### Special Assembly Mention

**Who?** Shark class

**Why?** For using their own ideas to come up with great assembly.

### Special Assembly Mention

**Who?** Vesta, Eidanas & Simon (2S)

**Why?** All achieving their levels in Lexia!

### Special Assembly Mention

**Who?** Gabriel, Zarah & Amira (5D)

**Why?** Have all achieved a Bronze certificate in the last month in Mathletics

### Special Assembly Mention

**Who?** Alena & Eliana (2J)

**Why?** Both achieving Level 1 certificates in Lexia!

### Special Assembly Mention

**Who?** Macie (6S)

**Why?** For her hard work and completing Level 8 of the Lexia program.

### Special Assembly Mention

**Who?** Joseph (5S)

**Why?** For working extra hard in all of his lessons and consecutively getting 10/10 on his spelling tests!

### Special Assembly Mention

**Who?** Year 2 (Jellyfish & Starfish)

**Why?** For their amazing work with their phonics this week, we are so proud of you all. From all of the adults in Year 2!

## House Winners

All children in the school are part of one of the 5 Houses. They can earn house points for their house by working hard, and following our 5 values. The House with the most house points each week wins a star for their house board which is in the main hall. The children in the house with the most stars at the end of the year get a special treat.

**Congratulations to last week's House winners –  
Mo Farah**



## Stars of the week



Our stars are awarded in our Friday virtual assembly to children who have shown particular commitment to our school values during the week. To say thank you they also get 3 House Points and a star of the week pencil to use in school or take home.

Value	Inspire	Respect	Successful	Resilient	Heard and Cared For
Guppy 1	Elena	Sofia	Dawud	Kevinas	Sonny
Guppy 2	Ayden	Isabella	Mihail	Jibrail	Amber
Clownfish	Ramisah	Zain	Emilijus	Eric	Rokhaya
Lionfish	Albie	Luca	Nikita	Hannah	Elizabeth
Jellyfish	Sofia	Mantas	Jahdel	Harrison	Annabel
Starfish	Elena	Evie	Ezekiel	Simon	Maira
Turtle	Nicoleta	Fisayo	Yasin	Petra	Kajus
Lobster	Rayan	Naglis	Daniel.A	Isra	Maddison
Octopus	Adeturayo	Arianna	Nisa	Kelicia	Christina
Seahorse	Maria	Ermal	Dominik	Mikail	Lauryn
Stingray	Danyal B	Jonas	Joseph	Yatharth	Kornelija
Dolphin	Amira	Paul	Ianys	Leilas	Theo
Shark	Gracie	Zainab	Kerell	Stefanie	Yusuf
Whale	Elena	Sofia	Dawud	Kevinas	Sonny