



ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 13 - 21st April 2021



Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have all enjoyed the Easter break and it is lovely to welcome the children back for a fully packed summer term.



Please take time to look through the whole newsletter as we have lots of community information this week (particularly in the wellbeing section). This includes how you may be eligible to access financial support if you are experiencing hardship and/or you cannot work as your family needs to self isolate.

Take care and stay safe.

Sue Ferguson

After school clubs

After school club confirmation letters will be sent out shortly. Please note that if you pay for clubs we are currently not accepting cash and therefore you need to pay using ParentMail before your child starts.



New Menu

The new lunch menu starts this term. A copy of this has been sent home with your child and can also be found on our website (parents tab/food)

Date Reminders

Monday 3rd May - Bank Holiday

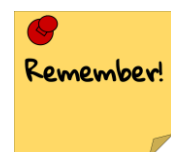
Thursday 6th May - Polling Station closure (work will be set to do at home)

Monday 31st May To Friday 4th June - Half Term

Monday 14th June - Class photos

22nd & 23rd June - Provisional Sports Days

Week of 5th July - Annual Reports, Parents Evening, new class information released



General Information

Parent Governor Applications - We Need You!

Paper copies of the governor application form have been sent home with your child today. We are currently looking to appoint 2 parent governors. So why not get involved and help shape the education our children experience!

If you would like to know more about the time commitment and role before applying please contact the main office who will arrange for someone to contact you.



Learning



Humanities Bridging Units

For the first two weeks of this term children in years 1 to 6 are completing humanities bridging units. These are history or geography topics they may have missed during the different lockdowns. Some of the content they may have missed is being included in other units as they move through the school, anything that couldn't be covered this way is being covered now.



Learning Gallery

Welcome to the Learning Gallery! This week Seahorse class have shared some of their home learning outcomes. Well done to all!



Wellbeing and Support

Support for Applying For Disability Living Allowance For Parents of SEND children aged 0-7

Mencap are running a number of virtual sessions this month with Newham to help families with children who have Special educational Needs apply for Disability Living Allowance.



Sessions are virtual and led by parents who have gone through the process. See the poster attached to this newsletter for more details.



Free School Meals

Please remember if your circumstances have changed you may now be eligible for free school meals. To check your eligibility and apply simply follow the link below.

<https://www.newham.gov.uk/schools-education/free-school-meals/2?documentId=502&categoryId=2004>

APPLY NOW



Our Newham Money

Money to help with expenses in an emergency

Help in a crisis. Our Newham Money Emergency Support can help with expenses in an emergency or if you are vulnerable and experiencing severe hardship. If you have an extreme emergency and there is no other way for you to get help, you may be offered Our Newham Money Emergency Support.

The COVID winter grant application is now closed but the Emergency Support is still available (click the link below and scroll down the page)

<https://www.ournewhammoney.co.uk/affordable-loans/moneyworks-emergency-loan/>

COVID Question of the week

What is the Test and trace support payment scheme?



You are entitled to a £500 Self-Isolation Support Payment if:

You have been told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or by the NHS Covid-19 app; and have an 8-digit Test and Trace account ID number and have added contact details to your account plus confirmation that you are self-isolating,

or

You are unable to work while looking after a child who is self-isolating and you:

- are currently employed or self-employed.
- are unable to work while self-isolating.
- will have a reduction in normal earnings while self-isolating.
- You, or your partner if you have one, must also be receiving at least one of these benefits:
 - ❖ Universal Credit
 - ❖ Working Tax Credit
 - ❖ Income-based Employment and Support Allowance
 - ❖ Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
 - ❖ Income Support
 - ❖ Housing Benefit
 - ❖ Pension Credit

If you meet all the other conditions but you or a partner are not getting any of these benefits, we have limited funds to grant discretionary payments of £500. Before we can consider the application for a discretionary payment, we will need to decide whether we think you will suffer financial hardship while self-isolating.

To find out more and apply. Please use the link below.

<https://www.newham.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/covid-19-advice-support/5>

COVID Question of the week

Has the COVID guidance for schools changed as lockdown ends?



Unfortunately not really. The only real change for primary schools at the moment is that since the 12th April we can now take children on educational visits. At EWPS we are starting to do some local area visits which link to our geography units. All of these are in walking distance (no use of public transport) and are outside. We will notify you if this will be involving your child's class.

Congratulations!

Assembly Special Mentions

Congratulations to the following people who had a special mention in assembly this week

Alexandra (2S)- Completing level 2 on Lexia.

Sneeha (2S) - Completing level 2 on Lexia.

Simon (2S) - Completing level 4 on Lexia.

Eidanas (2S)- Completing level 2 on Lexia.

Ezekiel(2S) - Completing level 2 on Lexia.

Vesta (2S) - Completing level 5 on Lexia.

Alena (2J) - Completing level 4 on Lexia.

Mikaela (2J)- Completing level 8 on Lexia.

Minahil (2J)- Completing level 2 on lexia.

Milana (2J)- Completing level 2 on lexia.

Olivia (2J)- For stepping up and taking over as our school council representative after our previous representative left the school. You have really impressed

Daniel A (3L), Aiden (3L) Daniel G (3L) & Nicholas (3L) - Earning Bronze Certificates in Athletics.

Steven (3L) - Completing level 5 on Lexia

Daisie (3L) - Completing level 5 on Lexia

Arile (3L)- Completing level 6 on Lexia

Nuelf (3L)- Completing level 6 on Lexia

Christopher (3L) - Completing level 6 on Lexia

Bella (4O) - Completing Level 10 on Lexia

Nisa (4O) - For all her hard work on Lexia

Kelly (5S) - Completing Level 7 on Lexia

Dolphin Class - Fairplay House staff were very pleased with your effort and attitude and made a point of saying so!



COVID Champions across the school - Well done for completing 2 weeks of being a Covid champion for your class! From Miss Yousaf and the Junior Governors :)



House Winners
Last week's House winners who earned the most house points were

Albert Einstein! Congratulations





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.



	Inspire	Respect	Successful	Resilient	Heard and cared for
Guppy 1	Sofia	Kevin	Brittany	Dawud	Sarah
Guppy 2	Alisha	Stefania	Nicolas	Spencer	Austeja
Lionfish	Damian	Kemi	Emilijus	Amelia	Raphael
Clownfish	Hannah	Joel	Lakin	Saule	Deborah
Jellyfish	Alena	Hamzah	Ruby	Jahdel	Saarah
Starfish	Issa	Emma	Rejus	Maira	Aleena
Turtle	Kahdija	Liam	Kotryna	Boris	Miley
Lobster	Oliver	Daisie	Boston	Patricija	Arile
Octopus	Ariana	Adeturayo	lilliana	Ahmed	Ali
Seahorse	Maria	Aleeza	Nia	Agnija	Olivia
Stingray	Matei	Masai	Kelly	Jessica	Daniel E
Dolphin	Theo	Ianys	Ava	Junaid	Aiden
Shark	Chanimya	Oliver	Agota	Mubashir	Jay
Whale	Mate	Kiesantis	Luca	Sallety	Tajus