

ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 18 - 26th May 2021



Dear Parents & Carers,

As we approach half term I just wanted to thank you for your continued support as we continue to navigate the challenges caused by the pandemic. Making sure that your children attend regularly, are on time for school, that they are wearing PE kit on the correct days, that they remember their reading books and that you are registered with Parentmail (so we can contact you!), have really helped.



After half term, our home learning tips will start to reappear in these newsletters. These are suggestions from the subject leaders in the school of ways you can continue to support your children's learning at home.

If there are aspects you would like more information about, please contact the main office or your child's year group email and we will try to include these too.



Fire drill

We held one of our regular fire drills today. All the children behaved impeccably and we completely evacuated the building in less than 2.5 minutes! Well done all.

Governor Appointments

We are delighted to announce that Halima Khanom and Eileen Carey have been appointed as parent governors to fill the two vacancies that we had. There was no need to hold a ballot as only two applications were received. Aisha Begum who was formerly a parent governor has moved to being a co-opted governor and Jo Higgins has been reappointed as staff governor. I am sure you join me in congratulating everyone and thanking them for volunteering their time to help support our school as we move forward together.



May Half Term Activities



The Newham May Half-term Holiday Programme is offering a mixture of online and face-to-face activities. In this holiday programme, beyond lots of fun events, they are also providing young people and families with information about how to stay healthy and secure and how to access support should you require it. A copy of the offer is attached to this newsletter and can also be found online:

https://www.newham.gov.uk/downloads/file/3223/may-half-term-holiday-programme

Date Reminders

Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June - Half term

Monday 7th June - First day back after half term

Monday 14th June - Class photos (please make sure your child is in school uniform not PE kit on this day)



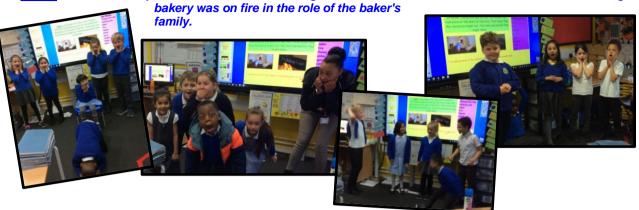
Have a wonderful half term, take care, and stay safe.

Sue Ferguson

Learning Gallery

Welcome to the Learning Gallery! Here are some of the activities and outcomes from the last week.

Year 2 Here are some pictures of the children acting out the Great Fire of London and the shock of finding out the



<u>Year 4</u> has been making 3D rivers. They are also looking at volcanoes and have watched a live eruption so they could describe how and why volcanoes erupt and so they could make their own version. In computing they have been coding, using IF statements







Year 5 have been finding out about environmental issues that affect our local area. They have held a Zoom meeting with Lily Mitrijevaite (an Environmental Control Officer) for Newham council and have chosen aspects they want to out more about. These photos are from the traffic survey they held this week.









<u>Year 6</u> are working with the Institute of Imagination on Newham's 'Big Build'. This is a project with 8 schools in the borough. The outcome of their work will be on display in public areas later next month.



General Information

Library Visits

Encouraging children to read for pleasure is a key part of their school journey and there are many benefits to discovering a love of reading.



To encourage all children in Newham to discover books and a love of reading, Newham Libraries are working with primary schools in Newham to ensure that primary aged children are members of the library and are able to take part in the annual Summer Reading Challenge.

As a Council service, libraries have a legitimate interest to be able to use the data held by the council (child's name, address, age and gender) to create library memberships for children. Using this information, we will join your child to the library and enrol them on the Summer Reading Challenge. They will be sent a library card home from school in the coming weeks. Library membership is free, books can be borrowed for three weeks at a time and can be renewed for longer if no other child wishes to borrow them.

Don't worry if your child already has a Newham library card, once your child receives their new library card, you can drop the old one back to any Newham library or simply keep it and borrow twice the number of books.

If you do NOT want your child to have a library card then please email **LibraryOptOut@newham.gov.uk** and we will ensure that we do not join them to the library service.

If you have any questions about this process or want to know more about the library then please don't hesitate to **contact us on 0203 373 3871**

Newham Libraries will be contacting you again in a couple of weeks to tell you more about the summer reading challenge and the exciting opportunities for your child.

Early Years



Beckton & Royal Docks Children's Centre

Activity Timetable

Monday

Baby Singalong & Stories, 0-12 months 10.30am-11.00am (Zoom) Singalong & Stories, under 5 years 1.30pm-2pm (Zoom)

Tuesday

Stay & Play Babies, 0-12 months 10am-11am
Out & About (visits to local parks) under 5 years 1pm-2pm

Wednesday

SEND Stay & Play, under 5 years 10.30am-11.30am

Thursday

Talk & Play, under 5 years 10.30am-11.30am
Baby Singalong & Stories, 0-12 months 1.30pm-2.15pm

Friday

Outdoor Stay & Play, under 5 years 1pm-2pm

Booking essential for all sessions

Call the Children's Centre on Mondays at 9.30am to book, or to find out more information about the sessions:

Tel: 0207 474 0654

Wellbeing and Support



Settled Status - Stay Settled in Newham

Did you know that each child must have their own EU Settled Status (EUSS) application? You can apply for your child or they can apply for themselves. If your child was born in the UK but is not a British citizen, they will still need to apply. You need to apply before the 30th of June.

If you have already applied to the EUSS, you can link your child's application to yours. This means that if your own application is successful, your child will get the same status as you.

You will need to prove your relationship to your child and have a copy of their ID.

We can help you if you need further support. Please call the

EUSS Bilingual Helpline: 0808 196 3510

or e-mail: staysettledinnewham@gmail.com

If you are still not sure please contact the school and we can help you access support to apply.

Weekly parent support webinars are back!



Need some support for yourself or your family? Not sure where to start? Newham is running weekly workshops every **Thursday**, **4pm-5pm** on **Microsoft Teams** to help you find the support you need. Click the link below to join the workshop!

The importance of fathers and significant males in a child's life	3 rd June 2021
Raising black children in today's society	10 th June 2021
Supporting your child with their gender and sexual identity	17 th June 2021
Understanding anxiety and self-harming behaviour	24 th June 2021

Join on your computer or mobile app https://bit.ly/3sKR7vq

Alternatively, you can view the previous family support webinars: www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLfBuvuA_uMZXIS5U9HlxG0QpjwtEJ98zQ

COVID Question of the week-

What are the 5 steps for Covid wellbeing?



5 STEPS FOR COVID-19 WELLBEING

STAY SAFE



- Wear your face covering
- Wash your hands regularly
- Stay 2m apart
- Open windows
- Meet people outside

BE KIND



- Stay active and eat a healthy diet
- Ask for help if you're feeling down, anxious or stressed
- Go to your health and care appointments
- Look after each other

STAY HOME



- If you or someone you live with has symptoms or tests positive, we can help with:
- Shopping & food
- Financial advice
- Keeping you safe
- Isolation accommodation
- Befriending

GET TESTED



- Always if you have symptoms; stay home while you wait for results
- Twice a week with rapid tests if you have no symptoms

www.newham.

GET VACCINATED



- Book when you're eligible
- Contact our Vaccine Peer Supporters
- Book a Q&A session for your community group

www.newham. gov.uk/ bookyourvaccine

www.newham.gov.uk/coronavirus

WE ARE NEWHAM.

People at the Heart of Everything We Do

Congratulations!



Assembly Special Mentions



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

Maverick (2J) - For completing Level 4 on Lexia.

Milana (2J) - For completing Level 3 on Lexia.

Mikaela (2J) - For completing Level 9 on Lexia.

Simon (2S) - For completing Level 5 in Lexia Sneeha (2S)- For completing Level 3 in Lexia Vesta (2S) - For completing Level 6 in Lexia Eidanas(2S) - For completing Level 3 in Lexia

Aiden (3L), Daniel A (3L) & Mattias (3L) -Awarded Silver Certificate on Mathletics

Daniel G (3L) & Rayan (3L)
Awarded Bronze Certificate on Mathletics

Nicholas (3L) - completing level 7 on Lexia

Aisha (3L) & Rayan (3L) - ror completing timetable club 54

Yasin (3T) -For completing level 3 on Lexia.

Deniz (3T) - For completing level 9 on Lexia.

Deor (3T) - For completing level 7 on Lexia.

Adeturayo (40)-completing Level 10 in Lexia Christina (40) -completing Level 11 in Lexia

Tornadas (40) & Lilliana (40) - For all their hard work on Mathletics

Jahleeka (40), Camilla (40), Nisa (40) & Eliza (40) - for their improvement in their times tables

Amira (5D) -For completing Level 6 in Lexia. Well done!

Rubena (5D) & Jayden (5D) - Researching at home to find the answer to a question we had about our Solar System.

Oscar (5D), Sofia (5D), & Gabriele (5D) - Bronze certificate in Mathletics

Daniel (6S) -For being an excellent team member, who encouraged everyone in his group during the Fairplay House activities.

Senam (6S) - Using her learning at school to inspire her parents to do a first aid course.

Rokas (6W) -For supporting and encouraging his group to work as a team.

Shark class - Scott and Pete at FPH said that this year's year 6 were the best group of children they had coming over.



House Winners

Last week's House winners who earned the most house points were J K Rowling! 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	Nicole	Elena	Adom T	Emily	Kevinas
Guppy 2	Aleksandra	Amber	Mihail	Jibrail	Helen
Lionfish	Blessing	Liepa	Damian	Muhammad	Abeera
Clownfish	Rachel	Zayn	Luca	Albie	Hannah
Jellyfish	Victoria	Mate	Olivia	Sofia	Ruby
Starfish	Hussain	Jay	Emma	Rejus	Diana
Turtle	Khadija	Boris	Petra	Armani	Yasin
Lobster	Patricija	Daisie	Naglis	Precious	Arile
Octopus	Eliza	Ahmed	Enrikas	Cristina	Lilliana
Seahorse	Joshua	Lauryn	Daria	Lily	Casandra
Stingray	Any	Isaac	Toni	Masai	Emilly C
Dolphin	Leilas	Rosie	Micah	Ava	Rubena
Shark	Zenab	Stephanie	Archie	Laurel	Keeyan
Whale	Asher	Erika	Kierrana	Enrikas	Angel