



ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 20 - 17th June 2021



Dear Parents & Carers,

We hope you are keeping safe and well and have had the chance to enjoy some of the glorious weather.

As you know the current restrictions are due to continue for another four weeks until at least 19th July. This sadly means that most parent onsite events are unlikely to happen this term. We also do not know yet if we will have to keep these restrictions in September, so please be aware that information about starting times may be delayed and may not be sent until August.

Changing Me Unit

Following on from our Relationship, Sex & Health Education consultation in the autumn term, just a reminder that this unit will be delivered next week.



Upcoming Diary Dates

Next week - Sports days (please see information below)

Friday 2nd July - Covid memorial event (details in next week's newsletter)

Wednesday 7th July - New classes information & annual reports sent to parents.

Thursday 8th July - Children will meet & spend time with their new teachers.

Thursday 8th July - Parent's evening will be taking place via Zoom as restrictions are still in place (details in next week's newsletter about how to book an appointment time).

Friday 16th July - Last day of term.

Monday 6th September - First day of term for years 1 to 6 (Reception and Nursery will be contacted separately)

Take care and stay safe.

Sue Ferguson

General Information



Sports Day

Sports Days will be taking place next week. Due to current restrictions this will take place over several days generally in area bubbles (the same children they play with at lunchtime and use the same gate). Each class will be kept on separate activities and equipment will be cleaned between uses.

Could you please make sure that your child is in their PE kits on the following days:

Tuesday - Year 2 and Y4 Seahorse & Y1 (*who will be kept separate from the other area*)

Wednesday - Year 3 and Y4 Octopus

Thursday - Year 5 & 6

Thursday - Reception (in a different area of the playground)

Unfortunately, we are not able to allow parents on site to view this as restrictions have remained unchanged.

Parent Survey

As you know our school organisation has had to change significantly because of the Covid restrictions that are in place. It is still unclear if these restrictions will be lifted next term, however at some point they will change.

Many of the restrictions cause considerable disruption, but some changes have had a positive impact. Therefore, to help support our forward planning we are asking parents and staff their opinions about what should stay and what should go if at some point restrictions are lifted.



Therefore, please take a couple of minutes to complete the survey link below to let us know your ideas. Thank you.

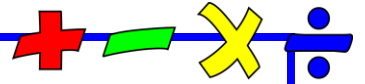
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Learning Gallery

Welcome to the Learning Gallery! This week all of the children at EWPS took part in the Young Voices concert which was in partnership with the children's charity Place2be. This amazing charity was created to support children's mental health and well-being by training teachers and setting up counselling sessions for children across the UK. We all joined in with 'Lovely Day' to show our support. We are yet to find out if we were part of a Guinness world record of most people singing at once!



Learning Tips



Reading



Read every day. It is a special time to snuggle up and enjoy a story. Stories matter and it is fun re-reading them and poring over the pictures. Try adding funny voices to bring characters to life.

Maths

Nursery and Reception: Incorporate as much counting as you can in your daily routine at home e.g., counting the steps to and back to different rooms of the house, counting out amounts of food with your family, counting out how many toys you have in your toy box, etc

Science

It's been very hot! This is all to do with seasonal changes. However, the weather can be very unpredictable. Try keeping a weather diary? What was the temperature? Was there any rainfall, thunder, sun, or clouds?



Art



It does not matter what resources you have. A back of an envelope or the inside of a cereal box and a pen or pencil will do, just enjoy your drawing! (Just remember to check you can use it first!)



Well-being

BBC Bitesize has a really helpful section with handy hints for parents including 5 simple steps to build positivity in your home. The first one of these is to remember to be kind to yourselves too! You can support your family better if you make sure you are okay too! To find out more visit

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zykkvwx>

Early Years



Beckton & Royal Docks Children's Centre

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!

[https://newham-self.achieveservice.com/service/Best Start in Life Registration](https://newham-self.achieveservice.com/service/Best%20Start%20in%20Life%20Registration)

Newham Family Services

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

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

Family Support

The family support team is there to give advice if needed.
Times: available Monday to Friday or pop in to speak to someone.

Access is via the house gate on Dove Approach.

Tel: 0207 474 0654

Activity Sessions

Some onsite sessions are now starting to take place but pre booking is essential due to Covid restrictions please contact the centre to find out more.

Wellbeing and Support

Parent Connect



Attached to this newsletter is the first edition of Parent Connect, the weekly newsletter for children, young people and families in Newham. It will keep you updated on services, events, consultations and information for you and your family. If you would like them to cover a particular topic or service, please email earlyhelppartnershipteam@newham.gov.uk

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 also 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!

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_uMZXIS5U9HixG0QpjwEJ98zQ

COVID Question of the week-

What if I am travelling abroad during the summer?



We realise that many people will be hoping to travel out of the country at some point either to go on holiday or visit relatives during the summer. However please remember to check the current guidance if you are considering doing this.

Please also be aware that just because a country is currently on the green list, it does not necessarily mean it will remain there as the situation is constantly changing (think Portugal!).

Therefore, when booking dates you need to include the possible quarantine time in your plans – this should be incorporated in the school holiday time.

Children should be ready to return to school on **Monday 6th September**

Congratulations!



Assembly Special Mentions



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

.Aishah (3L)- Awarded Bronze Certificate on Athletics

Anna (3L) - Awarded Bronze Certificate on Athletics

Patcija (3L) - Awarded Bronze Certificate on Athletics

Rayan (3L) - Awarded Silver Certificate on Athletics

Fisayo (3T) -Awarded Silver Certificate on Athletics

Nicholas (3L) - Completing Level 8 in Lexia

Deor (3?) - Completing Level 8 in Lexia

Paulina (3?) - Completing Level 5 in Lexia

Jill (40) For achieving bronze, silver and gold in Athletics

Sofia (4S)- Achieving rock speed of 4.08 s/q

Liliana (4S)- Achieving rock speed of 3.16 s/q

Sofia (5D) -Mathletics bronze and silver certificate

Delia Iona (5D) -Awarded Bronze Certificate on Athletics

Ianys (5D) -Awarded Bronze Certificate on Athletics

Allison (5S) -Awarded Bronze Certificate on Athletics

Matei (5S) - Achieving rock speed of 3.87 s/q

Jessica (5S) - Achieving rock speed of 2.88 s/q

Austeja (5S) - Achieving rock speed of 6.98 s/q

Joseph (5S) - Achieving rock speed of 1.89 s/q

Senam (6S) - Achieving rock speed of 1.42 s/q

Daniele (6S) -Achieving rock speed of 4.62 s/q

Kierrana (6?) - Writing and illustrating her own book "The Quest of JJ"



House Winners

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

Evelyn Glennie & Mo Farrah! 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	Olivia T	Gaia	Kevin	Sophia	Elia
Guppy 2	Genesis	Oliver	Jibrail	Aleksandra	Austeja
Lionfish	Raphael	Abeera	Ramisah	Eric	Daniel M
Clownfish	Hannah	Diana	Hasan	Zain	Elizabeth
Jellyfish	Evaldas	Mikaela	Hamzah	Mantas	Victoria
Starfish	Sarah	Simon	Kristupas	Dziugas	Eidanas
Turtle	Meer	Quinel	Daria	Paulina	Alatz
Lobster	Daniel.G	Isra	Emma	Kydon	Maddison
Octopus	Ahmed	Christina	Jasmine	Enrikas	Danielus
Seahorse	Rafan	Aronas	Joshua	Nia	Aleeza
Stingray	Ieva	Maher	Masai	Grace	Joseph
Dolphin	Rubena	Sofia	Marli	Aimee	Aiden
Shark	Chaniya	David	Archie	Daniel	Chidi
Whale	Kierrana	Megan	Elisha	Erika	Luca