

## **ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 15 - 5th January 2022**



#### Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back and happy new year! We hope you had a positive break and managed to stay safe and well.



#### Clubs

Club letter confirmation was sent out this evening and payment will be able to be made on Friday from 10 am via Parentmail. Please note that Monday and Thursday clubs will only be charged for 9 weeks due to school INSET day and February parents evening.

#### **Parent Survey**



Thank you to everyone who completed the parents survey. We had 158 responses in total and feedback was generally really positive. All responses have been looked at by the Chair of Governors and are due to be discussed in Governor's meetings in the next couple of weeks. Results and next steps will then be put into the Governors annual letter that will be issued before half term. Congratulations to the family of Cristina-Elena in Y5 who was selected by a member of the governing body at random from the survey

responses that had names on them. We will be contacting you about the £25 uniform voucher.

#### **Ventilation in classrooms**

With the cold weather we realise that our classrooms can be a little chilly at times. This is because as part of the Covid measures, DFE guidance says that schools must ensure a supply of fresh air to reduce the risk of airborne transmission. We are trying to air classrooms at times when the children aren't using them (for example during breaks and before and after school). We do have our heating turned fully up and we have air quality monitors in every classroom so we can keep doors and windows shut as much as possible during this time, however if the monitors show the levels aren't low enough we do have to open the window or door for a short time.

We realise this is frustrating for everyone and we do continue to encourage parents to make sure children have layers and we will make sure children can wear them if they are feeling chilly. However, this is one of the important measures that needs to be taken at this time to ensure schools (including ours) can continue to operate on site. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

School is closed to pupils on Monday 24th January for a staff training day.

Take care and stay safe.

Sue Ferguson

# Wellbeing

# **Wellbeing Wednesdays**

At EWPS we want all our pupils to have the knowledge and skills they need for happy, healthy, and fulfilling lives. This includes a commitment to helping children learn how to keep themselves mentally, emotionally, and physically healthy.

To support this, we are introducing Wellbeing Wednesdays from this term. This will be a weekly session whereas a class children will discuss and explore questions and issues related to wellbeing and mental health, and the actions we can all take to support this.

If you would like to learn more about this and any other aspect about how we support children's wellbeing please ask to speak to one of the Wellbeing Team.

# Community, Wellbeing and Support



#### **Children's Centre Activity Programme**

The children's Centre has a range of activities and support for children under the age of 5 and is **FREE** to access.



#### **Monday**

Music & Movement at Royal Wharf Community Dock Square, 2-5 years 10am-11am

Messy Mondays, under 5's 10am-11am (Dove Approach entrance)
Baby Sing-along & Stories, 0-12 months 1.00pm-1.45pm (Dove Approach entrance)

#### **Tuesday**

Stay & Play Babies, 0-12 months 10am-11am (Dove Approach entrance) Stay & Play, under 5 years 1.30pm-2.30pm (Dove Approach entrance)

#### Wednesday

SEND Stay & Play, under 5 years 10.30am-11.30am (Dove Approach entrance) (For children with additional needs, communication/speech delay)

Stay & Play Babies, 0-12 months 1.30pm-2.30pm (Dove Approach entrance)

Sing-Along at North Woolwich Library 1.30pm-2.30pm

#### Thursday

Little Talkers, 4-week course for children over 2 years with speech/communication delay waiting to be seen by speech & language team 1.30pm-2.30pm (starts January 13<sup>th</sup>)

Sing-along & Stories, over 1 year 10am-10.45am (Dove Approach entrance)

#### **Friday**

Stay & Play, under 5 years 10am-11am (Dove Approach entrance)
Baby Massage 1.30pm-2.30pm (starts 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb) (Dove Approach entrance)

<u>Booking essential for all sessions</u>

<u>All sessions are subject to change at short notice</u>

Call the Children's Centre on Fridays from 9.30am to book or for more information about the sessions: 0207 474 0654

Beckton & Royal Docks Children's Centre, Dove Approach E6 5TJ





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### **COVID advice of the week-** How have isolation periods changed?

# What if there is a confirmed Covid case in our family household or we have been in contact with a confirmed case?



- Your child needs to do a daily home test in the morning for 7 days (if they are over 5)
- If they are negative they can come to school as normal, if it's positive the current guidance states that they should isolate and arrange a PCR test to confirm.
- We will continue to put remote learning into place for any child in this position.

#### What if my child feels unwell?

- If your child feels unwell PLEASE DO NOT SEND THEM TO SCHOOL.
- Please inform us of the situation.
- Continue daily testing and arrange a PCR if they are showing symptoms and/or a home test comes back positive
- In this case your child should continue to self-isolate until the PCR result comes back even if they are starting to feel better.

# **Congratulations**

#### **House Winners**

Every child is in one of our 5 houses. They can earn points for their house by showing our 5 school values and by supporting other children in the school. Each week the House with the most points becomes House of the Week. They have a star added to their chart in the hall. The House

with the most stars at the end of the year gets an afternoon at the park with ice lollies too!

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

### **Creola Katherine Johnson**

# **Assembly Special Mentions**

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

<u>Starfish & Jellyfish</u> -For performing amazing nativities. You performed with such confidence, and we are so proud of you! From all the adults in Year 2.

<u>Olivia (5S)</u> - For taking time and education to write an amazing book about the environment. Her dedication and commitment both to environmental issues and sharing her research and knowledge is an inspiration to us all.

<u>Wiktoria (5S)</u> -Wiktoria has successfully gained full marks in her spelling test for the past three weeks. This is an amazing achievement and Mrs Willis is bursting with pride for her.



#### **Certificate Mentions**

Congratulations to the following people who achieved a certificate this week



Certificate Name & Class Level

Lexia (New levels completed)	Maverick - Well done for completing level 7 Lexia. (3T)	
	Joseph - You have put a huge amount of work into Lexia. Well done for completing Level 12 AND Level 13. (6S)	13
	Zannat- Well done for completing Level 10! (6S)	10
	Emilijus - completing Level 2 (2J) Dragos - completing Level 3 (2J)	2 3
Maths in a flash (New levels completed)	Nikita, Hasan, Aroush (2S) & Dragos (2J) Farwa (2S) Kai'rone (2S)	1 5 6
Times Table Rockstars (New speed record!)	Fionel (2S) Michael, Jay, Orion, Diana & Maira (3L) Ruby & David (3T) Isra, Aishah, Steven, Kydon, Nuelf, Naglis, Nicholas, Anna, Kevin & Daisie (4O) Miley, Nicoleta, Quinel, Paulina, Henryk, Deor, Daria, Yasin, Kesar, Deniz, Kajus, Kotryna, Jake, Abdul Hameed, Ilyas, Fisayo, Meer, Ulliel, Armani, Ashaz, Alatz & Afia (4S) Maxi, Nuraz A, Lily, Aleeza, Peter, Zain & Maria (5S)	
Mathletics Bronze	Joel & Milana (2S) David (3T) Ilyas & Fisayo (4S)	
Mathletics Silver	Fisayo (4S)	



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.



House Name	Creola Katherine Johnson	Malalah Yousafzai	Michael Rosen	Ade Adepitan	Marcus Rashford
Value	Inspire	Respect	Successful	Resilient	Heard & Cared For
Guppy 1	Adamas	Alex C	Jake	Alex A	Rebecca
Guppy 2	Niamh	Noah	Samuel	Ryan	Lincoln
Lionfish	Stefania	Spencer	Tope	Genesis	Sakibur

Clownfish	Robert	Elena	Adomas	Dawud	Haris
Jellyfish	Kemi	Blessing	Matas	Daniel M	Zain
Starfish	Jonathan	Ayden	Milana	Andrew	Lucia
Turtle	Ruby	Maverick	Saarah	Tahmid	Milana
Lobster	Rhea	Emma	Glory	Sarah	Rhea
Octopus	Aishah	Noah	Kydon	Daisie	Riad
Seahorse	Yasin	Fisayo	Alatz	Abdul - Hameed	Artjoms
Stingray	Olivia	Precious	Nia	Wiktoria	Radoslav
Dolphin	Ariana	Eliza	Niah	Camilla	Enrikas
Shark	Delia	Abdul	Rubena	Paul	Sam
Whale	Sam	Grace	Marli	Sofia	Rosie