



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We trust you all had a good half term. Some of you may have noticed that we launched our new website in the last couple of weeks. We have tried to redesign it based on feedback from users so hopefully it should now be easier to use and locate the information you require. It is still a work in progress, but we strongly recommend that you take a couple of minutes to look and see what's new at www.ellenwilkinson.newham.sch.uk. All ideas and feedback are very welcome and thank you to everyone who has contributed. Sue Ferguson

Friday 4th November is Cultural Day

The Road to Japan



As part of our commitment to global learning we believe it is important that our children get the chance to explore a range of cultures. Therefore, in preparation for the next Olympics taking place in Tokyo, for our latest cultural day we are celebrating Japan and all things Japanese. We would like to encourage all pupils to wear red and white (Japanese colours), wear face paint or wear a Japanese style costume. Thank you for your cooperation.



House Bake Sale

A range of cakes will be on sale in the playground after school on Thursday as part of our School Houses' fund raising efforts. Money raised will be split equally between this year's 5 house charity's: Macmillan Cancer Support, Operation Smile, Richard's House Children's Hospice, Variety and Guide Dogs for The Blind.



Book Fair

The book fair is running straight after school this week and is a great chance to purchase books for Christmas, and the school gets new books for our school library based on the number sold! Remember our librarians are also selling bookmarks they have made for 25p. All the money raised from this venture will go to our 5 house charities. Thank you.



Parent Events

Please see below for details of upcoming parent events. For all events please meet at main reception.

Friday 11th November @ 2.30 p.m. – Inclusion Meeting

Want to find out more about how we support children with additional needs? Come and have a coffee & a chat.

Monday 14th November @ 2.30 p.m. – How to Keep Your Child Safe Online

As part of our anti-bullying week event and in response to parental requests, we are running a parent workshop on how to keep your child safe online.

Thursday 17th November @ 9 a.m. – Meet the Governors

Interested in finding out more about how our school is run? How well we are doing? What our next areas for improvement are? Then come and join us for tea and biscuits to find out more. (Toys for pre-school aged children to play with will also be provided!)



Shoe Box Appeal 2016

Please remember that the closing date for our Shoe Box Appeal is **Friday 4th November**. The decorated shoe boxes should include essential items to help someone in need such as: toothpaste, soap, small toys, deodorant, socks, scarfs, pens, pencils or colouring books. If you want any further information about this project, please go to www.blythswood.org/shoobox-appeal. We appreciate your support in supporting this valuable project and hope that together we can bring some joy into the lives of families who would otherwise have nothing this Christmas.



Governors' survey

Thank you to everyone who completed the Governor's parent survey. The outcomes will be included in the governors' newsletter to parents which will be issued in a couple of weeks' time. The prize draw will be conducted in assembly on Friday and the winners of the uniform vouchers will be announced in next week's newsletter.



Stars of the Week

Class	Name	Value(s)
6 Shark	Kanu	Heard and Cared For (For finding the value in helping others)
6 Whale	Adria	Successful (her success in learning due to her positive attitude and effort at all times)
5 Dolphin	Dave	Inspire (For always asking questions and encouraging others to do the same)
5 Stingray	Daniel	Respect (For making huge changes to his behaviour in class)
4 Octopus	Niya	Resilience (For never giving up with her Maths)
4 Seahorse	Remi	Successful (For being successful during a really difficult Maths task)
3 Lobster	Roan	Resilience (For presenting his Maths work beautifully)
3 Turtle	Andreea	Respect (For always following school rules and setting a good example to others)
2 Jellyfish	Mubashir	Heard and Cared For (By being a good listener and leading the class safely on their trip)
2 Starfish	Anastasia	Heard and Cared For (For showing fantastic listening skills during the class trip)
1 Clownfish	Raymund	Resilience (For always trying hard and never giving up)
1 Lionfish	Jonas	Heard and Cared For (For always offering his peers support)
Guppy 1	Zeynap	Inspire (For inspiring her peers with wonderful dramatic role-play)
Guppy 2	Morgana	Successful (For using her amazing art skills)

Our stars are awarded in Friday assemblies to children who have shown particular commitment to our school values during the week. To say thank you we ask them to come to the front in our assembly and they can choose a friend to sit with them at a special table at lunchtime that day.



House Winners

Congratulations to everyone in **Evelyn Glennie** House for having the house points this week.



Attendance and Punctuality Winners

Attendance winners for the 10th – 14th October is **Clownfish 99.6% attendance**

Punctuality winners for the week are: **Shark, Stingray, Dolphin, Seahorse, Lobster, Jellyfish, Lionfish, Clownfish and Guppy 1 - 0 lates**

Diary Dates

NOVEMBER

Date	Time(s)	Year Group(s)	Details	Parent Event?
1 st - 7 th	3.15 – 3.45 p.m.	All	Book Fair	YES
3 rd	TBC	All	Houses cake sale	NO
4 th	TBC	All	Cultural Day	YES
10 th	2.45 p.m.	2S	Starfish class assembly	YES
11 th	2.30 p.m.	All	Parents meeting - inclusion	YES
14 th – 18 th	N/A	All	Anti-bullying week	NO
14 th	2.30 p.m.	All	Parent workshop - How to keep your child safe online	YES
16 th	N/A	All	Governors' report to parents issued	N/A
17 th	9.00 a.m.	All	Meet the governors and find out more about the school	YES
	2.45 p.m.	2J	Jellyfish class assembly	YES
25 th	a.m.	1-6	Learning Fair (quarter 1)	NO