

ELLEN WILKINSON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 35 - 22nd June 2022



Dear Parents & Carers,

It was lovely to see so many of our Parents at the Sports day event. Photos will be in next week's newsletter.

Please remember that Friday next week (1st July) is our summer fair and if you want your child to access the bouncy castles please purchase a wrist band through ParentMail.

Take care and stay safe. Sue Ferguson



Hot weather

It's lovely to see the sun but the temperatures are getting very hot this week so please make sure your child:



- Wears sunscreen and a sun hat
- Brings in a full water bottle (they can refill it during the day)

On Friday we will be adapting some aspects like PE and lunch activities due to the extreme temperatures that are expected, we will also increase access to shade during lunchtimes.

Non - Uniform day on Friday

Please note that there is a non-uniform day on Friday 24th June - where children can bring an item in for the tombola and do not need to wear school uniform on that day. Items that can be donated include: any bottles of soft drink, chocolates, dry food goods and tins, shower gel sets etc.

Our Learning

Year 2 trip - Great Fire of London Workshop at St Paul's Cathedral

On Monday 13th June, Year 2 travelled to St Paul's Cathedral for a workshop on the Great Fire of London. Our Big Question for History and Geography is, 'How did the Great Fire of London change the city?' The workshop provided us with a lot of knowledge of what happened back in 1666 to London and we were able to be hands-on in the tour by dressing up as characters from the time and acting out scenes. We learnt about where and how the fire started, how it spread and how it eventually stopped. The children were very respectful and full of knowledge to share with the workshop leaders. We were very impressed with their behaviour and they had a fantastic day.









Art Matters

We are proud to be showing some of our fantastic art work at UEL Docklands gallery. Our children have created some beautiful work, which will be on display at the Gallery. You are welcome to come and view what we have been doing from the 6th to the 15th of July on Monday to Fridays only.





Newham Place of Worship Competition

Congratulations to **Lucia in Lionfish**, **Year 2** for being a runner - up in the Newham Place of Worship Competition with an amazing drawing of St Paul's Cathedral.

General Information

Twitch - What Parents need to know



Twitch is a live streaming service which tends to focus on gaming. Users can publicly broadcast their gameplay and commentary online for other users to watch. It's a community-driven platform where viewers can support their favourite streamers' channels through PayPal donations, "Bits" and more. Each streamer or group creates their own community for fans to interact with

each other. Twitch has more than 15 million daily active users and includes non-gaming topics such as music, cooking and art. Anyone can create a channel to livestream or watch videos.

In the attached guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as inappropriate content, private chat rooms and strangers.

Summer Fair - Friday 1st July 3.30 - 5.00 pm

Our summer fair is back!

What?

There will be lots of fun things to do. Stalls will include:tombola, face painting, hook a duck, water twister, 'bat a rat', various food and drink, bric-a-bac, penalty shoot out and of course the bouncy castles!



Why?

We are hoping to support all children from year 1 to year 6 to access the Junior Duke next year. This is a primary school version of the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme, but it costs £10 per child so we are hoping to use the proceeds of our fair to raise money towards this (we are aiming for £3600!!)

Who, When and Where?

- Open to EWPS families
- Friday 1st July 3.30 5.00 pm
- Ellen Wilkinson playground
- Please note the <u>only</u> access gate open will be Mitchell Walk (back of the school)

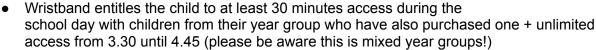
- Children in year 4 and under must be collected by an adult as normal at the end of the school day (year 5 & 6 parents we will contact you separately).
- Any child not collected will not be able to access the event even if they have a bouncy castle wristband (no refund will be issued)
- Once released from the class door children are then under the supervision of the collecting adult as all school staff will be involved

Cost

- No entry fee
- Stalls and activities have a small charge (usually 20 to 50p)
- Food prices including ice creams, burgers, scones, drinks will vary
- Please note <u>cash only</u> for stalls please as we have no capacity for card payments for so many activities
- Bouncy Castles see below

Bouncy Castles

- As part of our summer fair we aim to have at least 5 bouncy castles set up on the school field!
- Children need to be wearing a pre-purchased wrist band to access these and only children from EWPS can do so.
- Cost £8 for 1 child, £15 for 2 siblings, £7 per child for families of 3 siblings or more.



- Wristbands are available to purchase on ParentMail from today and will be issued to your child on the day.
- Please note no refunds for non-attendance.

How to help?

There are lots of ways to help.

- 1. **Volunteers** if you would be prepared to help run one of the stalls please let your child's class teacher know or speak to anyone at the gate we need as many people as possible
- 2. **Non-uniform day** let your child come to school on **Friday 24th June** in non-uniform, all they need to do is bring an item for the tombola! Items that can be donated include: any bottles of soft drink, chocolates, dry food goods and tins, shower gel sets etc.
- 3. **Bric-a brac** if you have any household items or toys that are in good condition please consider giving them to the school for our bric-a-brac stall.

Please Note - Weather

- This event takes place outside and so is weather dependent.
- Bouncy castles are even more weather dependent and may need to be rescheduled for another date

Dates for your diary

The summer term is always busy as there are a number of statutory assessments that take place. We are also delighted to be welcoming back most of our parent and community events.

Friday 1st July - Summer Fair (3.30 - 5pm) and the bouncy castles are back!

Wednesday 6th July - Annual reports out and new classes named

Thursday 7th July - Meet new teachers for children & Parents Evening (on site)

Friday 15th July - Nursery graduation

Monday 18th July - Y6 Awards Night

Wednesday 20th July - Last day for Nursery





Community, Wellbeing and Support

Discover Newham's rich and diverse heritage

Throughout the month of June, Newham Heritage Month will examine 'What London 2012 Means to Us' and explores the excitement, inspiration and impact of the Games. The dynamic programme brings fascinating stories of Newham's heritage to life through fashion, music, performance and more.



Showcasing the rich and diverse heritage of Newham, and a central part of the Newham cultural offer the month-long celebration will take place both live and online, with free events and activities every week throughout June, including **The Shadows of the Olympics**, a play about community, and an online event **The Hidden Architectures of Change in the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park**.

Newham Heritage Month



We are pleased to announce that there will be another HAF camp at Hallsville Primary School over the summer. This is available for all children who are eligible for Free School Meals.

The Camp is running from 25th July – 25th August (Mon-Thurs each week) 9am-3.00pm daily

Holiday camp sessions include a free meal, performing arts, multi-sport and sport-specific activities. Activities range from fencing, dodgeball, gymnastics to football. Each session is structured and delivered by our fully qualified Activity Professionals who make sure that every child has lots of fun, stays safe and goes home with another happy memory!

For more info or to book please go to: https://forms.gle/NVgTjyzEN81kJXZH7

Greenway Pollinator trail

Newham Council has been awarded £50,000 from The Mayor of London's Rewild London Fund for The Greenway Pollinator Trail. The Greenway is a hidden gem in Newham. It is a 7km traffic-free pedestrian and cycle route and green corridor.



The Greenway Pollinator Trail will create a ribbon of new habitats for bees, hoverflies, butterflies and other wild pollinators mapped across the whole length of the Greenway for people to enjoy.

QR codes linking to educational resources will help enhance the experience for visitors of all ages. To find out more: The Greenway Pollinator Trail is coming – Newham Council



ChatHealth is a confidential messaging helpline which provides young people aged 11-19 a way of anonymously contacting a health professional to get advice and support. They can help young people with all kinds of things such as: RElationships, Mental Health, Bullying, Alcohol, Self Harm, Healthy Eating, Drugs, Smoking etc

Send a text to: 07507 326 645 for confidential advice and support

Your £150 energy bills payment via Council Tax rebate for Bands A to D

Update - Payment for households who pay council tax by Direct Debit

Just over 39,000 households who pay for their council tax by Direct Debit will receive the
£150 energy bill rebate on Wednesday 8 June. This represents just under 83% of the 47,582
households paying by Direct Debit. The remaining 17% of households that pay by direct debit are
undergoing further checks, which are required so that the right money is paid into the right bank
accounts, and we can properly account for it. We will work to resolve this in the next two weeks. For
more information: Your £150 energy bills payment via Council Tax rebate for Bands A to D

Congratulations



Our stars are awarded in our Friday assembly however due to the extremely hot weather we have cancelled last week's assembly. There will not be a celebration section this week but we will have double this week instead!

